



23rd January 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Friends of Arnold Mill had a very successful meeting this morning. We have a really proactive group working to organise fun events for your children. Everyone is welcome to join, and ideas can always be shared via their post-box in the school entrance.

Keep an eye out for the next Friends of Arnold Mill events via our Sway newsletter.

We have library visits for 2b and 2c, and a class assembly, with parents, for 2b next week. Its always worth keeping an eye on the calendar as we have lots of things going on.

Have a lovely weekend.

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Calendar



January

Mon 26th - Class 2c visit to Arnold library

Thurs 29th - 2B Assembly with parents/carers ([link to letter](#))

Fri 30th - Class 2b visit to Arnold library

February

Weds 4th - Class 2d visit to Arnold library

Thurs 5th - Lea Green Information Meeting for Y4 Parents ([link to letter](#))

Fri 6th - Class 2a visit to Arnold library

Tues 10th - Maths Assembly (invitation only)

Tues 10th - Parents' Evening (provisional)

Weds 11th - Parents' Evening (provisional)

Mon 16th - Fri 20th - School closed for Half Term Break

March

Tues 3rd - Class 1c visit to Arnold library

Weds 4th - Class 2f visit to Arnold library

Thurs 5th - World Book Day

Thurs 5th - World Book Day - PTFA Fundraiser - Wonder Bar sales (provisional)

Tues 10th - Class 1b visit to Arnold library

Tues 17th Class 1a visit to Arnold library

Weds 18th - Class 2e visit to Arnold library

Thurs 19th - Talent Assembly (invitation only) (provisional)

Fri 21st - Comic Relief (normal uniform please)

Tues 24th - Wed 25th - Y4 Lea Green Residential ([Link to letter](#))

Wed 25th - F2 Easter craft with parents ([link to letter](#))

Wed 25th - F2 & KS1 Disco (provisional)

Thurs 26th - Science Assembly (invitation only) (provisional)

Thurs 26th - KS2 Disco (provisional)

Fri 27th - PTFA Easter Raffle (provisional)

Mon 30th - Fri 10th Apr School closed for Half Term Break

April

Thurs 16th - Year 3&4 Egyptian Day

Tues 21st - Y5 DAaRT Graduation with parents (invitation only/booking essential - details to follow) ([link to letter](#))

Thurs 30th - 1B Assembly with parents/carers (provisional)

May

Mon 4th - Bank Holiday

Thurs 7th - 2c Assembly with parents/carers (provisional)

Mon 11th - Y6 SATS week

Thurs 21st - Sponsored Well-being Day (provisional)

Fri 22nd - Sponsored Well-being Day (provisional)

Mon 25th - Fri 29th School closed for Half Term Break

June

Thurs 11th - 1C Assembly with parents/carers (provisional)

Fri 12th - Now Hear This! (provisional)

Fri 12th - Non-Uniform Day (Summer Fair Donations)

Fri 26th - Summer Fair

July

Thurs 2nd - Art Assembly (invitation only) (provisional)

Fri 3rd - INSET Day

Thurs 9th - Talent Assembly (invitation only) (provisional)

Mon 13th - Year 1 trip to Conkers

Weds 15th - F1 Learning Journey Celebration with parents/carers (invitation only/booking essential) (provisional)

Thurs 16th - F2 Learning Journey Celebration with parents/carers (invitation only/booking essential) (provisional)

Thurs 16th - Fri 17th - Year 2 Residential Sherbrooke Scout Camp (provisional)

Thurs 23rd - Sporting Achievement Assembly (invitation only/booking essential) (provisional)

Fri 24th - Y6 Leavers Assembly with parents/carers (booking essential) (provisional)

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 School Holidays	 Public Holidays	 Administration Day Monday 1 st September
Autumn Term 1 September - 17 October 7 weeks 3 November - 19 December 7 weeks	 Inset Days Tuesday 2 nd September Monday 5 th January Friday 3 rd July Monday 27 th July	
Spring Term 5 January - 13 February 6 weeks 23 February - 27 March 5 weeks		
Summer Term 13 April - 22 May 5 weeks 4 days 1 June - 27 July 8 weeks 1 day		

Dinner Menu - w/c 26th January 2026

Winter Menu 2025-26					
Week Commencing: 24 th November, 15 th December, 5 th January, 26 th January, 9 th March					
Week 7					
	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Option 1	Cheesy pasta parcels <small>Gluten Egg Milk</small> in a tomato and basil sauce with garlic bread <small>Gluten Soya Milk</small>	Vegetarian sausage roll <small>Soya Milk Gluten</small> Jacket wedges, baked beans & sweetcorn	Gammon with Yorkshire pudding <small>Milk Egg Gluten</small> Roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli & gravy	Chicken Enchiladas <small>Gluten Milk</small> with rice & salsa <small>Sesame</small>	Fishcake cob <small>Gluten Fish Sesame</small> with lemon mayonnaise <small>Egg Sulphur Dioxide</small> Oven chips & peas
Option 2	Jacket Potato Served with a choice of: Baked beans, Cheese <small>Milk</small> or Tuna mayonnaise <small>Fish Egg</small>	Sandwich <small>Gluten Soya</small> Filled with a choice of: Cheese <small>Milk</small> Ham or Tuna mayonnaise <small>Fish Egg</small> Vegetable sticks, crisps, fruit, Frube		Jacket Potato Served with a choice of Baked Beans, Cheese <small>Milk</small> or Tuna Mayonnaise <small>Fish Egg</small>	
pudding	Classic iced 'School Cake' <small>Egg Gluten Milk</small>	pinwheel Cookie <small>Gluten</small>	Spice Apple Crumble <small>Gluten</small> with Custard <small>Milk</small>	Donuts <small>Soya Milk Gluten Egg Sesame</small>	Chocolate Brownie <small>Gluten</small>

Counselling with Carla

CARLA ROSE COUNSELLING



Carlarosecounselling@gmail.com

Sadly my counselling services at school are coming to an end, due to funding, after a really successful few years.

I'm still very lucky to be able to run my sessions privately from the Den. If you need any support for your child, I offer this through talking, creative, and therapeutic play. Please contact me directly if this is something you may be interested in:

carlarosecounselling@gmail.com

Carla Rose Counselling

About My Services

- 1-1 sessions
- Providing a safe and supportive environment for children to explore their feelings, thoughts and experiences
- Check-in on individuals well-being
- Coordination with outside agencies
- Communication with parents and teachers
- Sign post referrals

Price Package:

5 Children: (Full day)	£215
3 Children: (Morning)	£135
2 Children: (Afternoon)	£90

Each session will run for 50 minutes on an 8 week block but can be tailored depending on a child's specific needs.

Details:

Level 4 Diploma in
Counselling Practice
BACP Registered
Enhanced DBS
Fully Insured

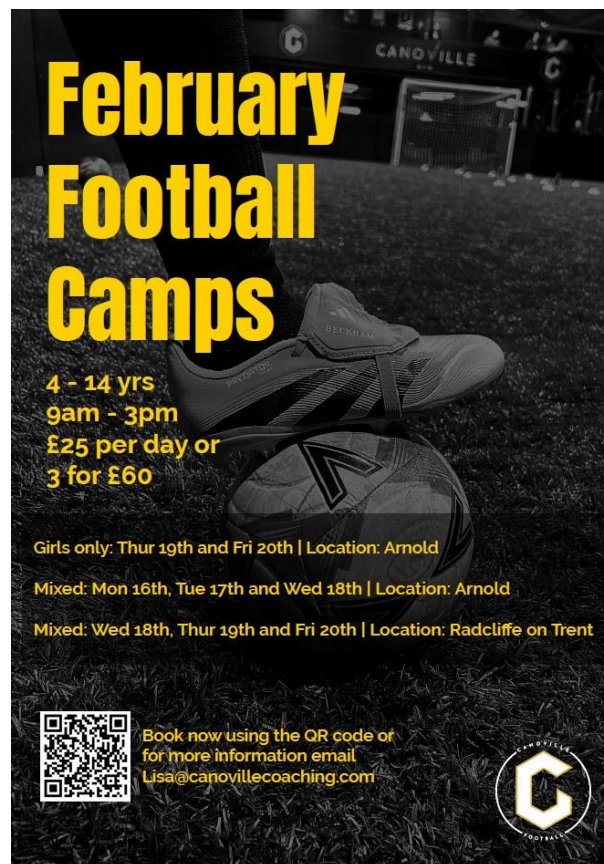
Contact:

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*Copies provided on request



Community Notices


A poster for February Football Camps. The background is a dark, grainy image of a football pitch with a goal in the distance. In the foreground, a pair of black football boots with 'BECKHAM' written on them sits next to a black and white football. The text is in bright yellow and white.

February Football Camps

4 - 14 yrs
9am - 3pm
£25 per day or
3 for £60

Girls only: Thur 19th and Fri 20th | Location: Arnold
Mixed: Mon 16th, Tue 17th and Wed 18th | Location: Arnold
Mixed: Wed 18th, Thur 19th and Fri 20th | Location: Radcliffe on Trent

Book now using the QR code or
for more information email
Lisa@canovillecoaching.com

A poster for Star Strike Football Coaching. The background is a bright, sunny image of a football pitch with a goal in the distance. In the foreground, a black and white football sits on the grass. The text is in white and black.

Looking for professional football sessions for ages 2-12 that are fun,
no-pressure and led by experienced coaches?

New Saturday sessions starting
this month in **Carlton**:
9.30am: 4-7s
10.30am: 8-12s

League teams and beginner
training running throughout the
week in **Arnold, Forest
Fields, Hucknall and
Bestwood**

All coaches are
experienced,
fully-trained and
DBS certified



Membership starts at £5.50/session or pay-as-you-play
With 200+ happy members, we're the best around!

07775 687682 or pbbl.uk/StarStrikeFootball



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& ROLL**
PERFORMANCE






February Holiday Clubs

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.




RUNNING AT:

- Banks Road Infant & Nursery School, Toton
- Hucknall Flying High Academy
- PERFORM at Jesse Gray Primary School, West Bridgford
- Millside Spencer Academy, East Leake
- Rosecliffe Spencer Academy, Edwalton
- St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary, West Bridgford
- St Peter's Academy, East Bridgford
- Westdale Junior School, Mapperley
- KPOP at Woodthorpe Infant School

HOW TO BOOK:
Scan the QR code or visit our [website](http://rattleandrollperformance.com)



rattleandrollperformance.com
enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com
07722 014301




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Parking and Traffic

Road Safety

You are probably aware of concerns which have been raised by both residents and parents/carers about parking outside the school and surrounding streets. Regularly, School has reminded parents/carers to be safe and considerate of where you park around the School but to summarise:

PARKING:

- Please ensure pavements, driveways and pedestrian access points are kept clear (parking on pavements, across residents' driveways or on private land is not acceptable).
- Please keep the School Keep Clear marking (zig zags) clear .
- Please adhere to local parking restrictions
- Please remember that the school is in a residential area. It is an offence to wilfully obstruct the highway, which can be enforced by police.
- Make sure that emergency vehicles are able to pass if needed .
- Remember that there is a 20MPH speed limit restriction near to the Zebra Crossing on Cross Street during school drop off and pick up times (we have had a couple of near misses by the crossing so please be vigilant).
- We appreciate that it can be very difficult to park near the school, but driving and parking in an unsafe manner is putting children at risk.
- Turn off your engine when parked – engines left idling contribute to air pollution. Emissions from vehicles cause air pollution. Air pollution not only contributes to climate change but is also linked to a range of health conditions and is one of the biggest risks to public health in the UK today. Children, with their developing lungs, are especially at risk.
- Do not allow children to exit vehicles as a quick drop off near the zebra crossings, the school car park entrance, on School Keep Clear 'zigzags' or in queuing traffic.

A DIFFERENT WAY OF THINKING:

- We realise that there are some parents who have no alternative but to drive their children to school, however, many are driving short distances where walking is a real alternative.
- Please allow yourself extra time and if possible park away from the school and walk round with your child.
- Many children now miss out on the opportunity to develop vital road safety skills with their parents on the way to school. In a vehicle they fail to build up confidence and learn the ability to manage risk walking around their local community.
- Walking can improve overall levels of fitness in children and adults. It is a cheap low impact way to exercise. This can have a positive impact both mentally and physically.

- Many parents take the view that by driving their children to school they are keeping them safe. Yet the combination of each individual decision makes an increase in vehicle traffic and congestion.
- Travelling more actively, even just for short journeys, can also have a really positive impact on both physical and mental wellbeing.

BE KIND AND RESPECTFUL:

- Please behave in a manner than is respectful towards others – including pedestrians and local residents.
- Please adhere to our Parent Code of Conduct.
- Please show the children good examples by obeying all the rules.
- Let's all work together to ensure our school area is a safe place

Sadly the majority of the complaints we receive relate to inconsiderate and/or dangerous parking around school, including parking on pavements and causing obstructions. There have even been instances of abusive and threatening behaviour by parents and carers. This behaviour and poor standards of driving and parking are unacceptable and most importantly put children's safety at risk.

Despite the complaints, we know most of the parents walk or drive safely and responsibly to school. Thank you for your good example and being an exemplary role model to the children.

Severe Weather – Emergency School Procedures



In the event of snow, we intend to keep the school open and to function as close to normal as possible, although this may be with a reduced staff and classes may be mixed. If there aren't enough staff able to reach the school to run classes, then school will be closed.

If it is necessary to close the whole school, we will follow the procedures below:

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- *A message will be sent to all parents via email, MCAS and ClassDojo.*
 - *A message will be put on Facebook and on our website.*
 - *We will endeavour to let you know if school is closed by 7.20am.*
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Clothing

If there is snow and the school is open, please send your child to school in suitable footwear, e.g. Wellington boots or equivalent. Children should bring shoes and spare socks in a bag to change into once inside their classrooms.

Online Learning

If school is closed, then teachers will send links to The Oak National Academy website on ClassDojo to access lessons to complete at home. We also ask that all children read their school reading books and complete Times Tables Rock Stars if they have a login.

Library Visits for the Spring Term



During the Spring Term your child's class will be visiting Arnold library (dates listed below). They will be walking from school to the library. As this is your child's second visit to the library this academic year the visit will be slightly more informal and is known as a 'Book Exchange Visit'. Your child will be given the opportunity to browse, borrow books and even share a story or two. Library staff will not lead the visit this time, although they are on hand at the Help Desk to support.

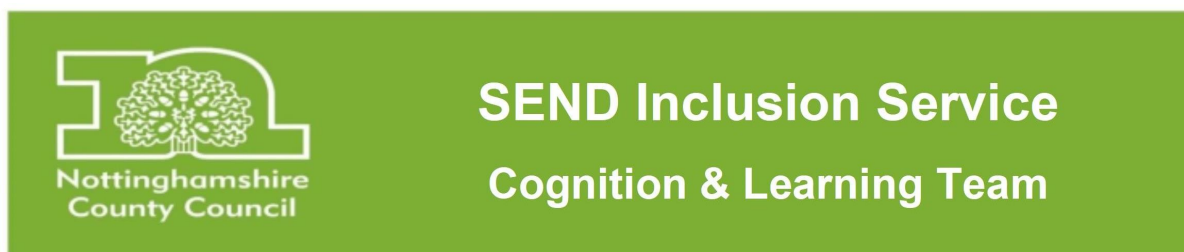
We would like all children to be able to choose a book on their visit to Arnold library. For this to happen please send in your child's library card or get signed up beforehand.

If your child has a library card, please send it into school on the day of the class visit - they will bring it back home after the visit, along with their new book. If your child does not have a library card and you would like to request an application form to be sent to you, please email the school office by 23rd January

Please find the dates for when your child's class will visit the library.

Class	When	Time
2F	Wednesday 4 th March 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
2E	Wednesday 18 th March 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
2D	Wednesday 4 th February 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
2C	Monday 26 th January 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
2B	Friday 30 th January 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
1C	Tuesday 3 rd March 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
1B	Tuesday 10 th March 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
1A	Tuesday 17 th March 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm
F2A	TBC	TBC
F2B	TBC	TBC
2A	Friday 6 th February 2026	1.30pm-2.30pm

NOTTS PARENT EVENT:



Supporting your Child as they Move to Secondary School

General Outline

Is your child due to transfer from primary to secondary school in Nottinghamshire?

Do they have an additional need that may require some extra support with transition?

Transition from Year 6 to Year 7 can be an exciting, but challenging time for a child and for their parent or carer. This session will help parents and carers support their child to say a positive goodbye to primary school and prepare for the secondary school environment. **We will look at practical ideas and resources to use with your child to enable a smooth September start**

Who is this event for?

This is a FREE online event for parents and carers of children with additional needs who are resident in Nottinghamshire, or whose child attends or will be attending a Nottinghamshire school

Course Details

Wednesday, 25th February 2026 – 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Taking Place via Microsoft TEAMS

(Joining instructions will be sent out prior to the session taking place)

The course presenters will be **Kate Eyre** and **Laura Leedham** from the Cognition & Learning Team, SEND Inclusion Service (SIS)

PLEASE NOTE:

This is a FREE event and there will be no charge for attending

TO BOOK via Eventbrite Ctrl + Click Link below:

<https://notts-parent-event-supporting-child-during-move-to-sec-school.eventbrite.co.uk>

An invitation to join will be sent to your e-mail inbox a few days before the event, so please check your 'inbox', as well as 'deleted' or 'junk mail' folders to find the Link

Closing date: Friday, 13th February 2026 at 12:00 noon

(half-term 16-20-Feb 26)

Enquiries – Judith A Knight: sis.sjrw@nottsc.gov.uk or Tel: **0115 854 6464**

Important Policies



Here are a few policies which we would like to highlight:

[Parental Code of Conduct](#)

[Behaviour Policy](#)

[Attendance Policy](#)

[Mobile Phone Policy](#)

All other policies can be found here:

[Link to Policies page on website](#)

The School Car Park



Just a quick reminder that the school car park is for staff and visitors only. Parents should not use it for dropping off or collecting children. Please do not use it for breakfast club, after school clubs or boosters. The only exception to this is after 5pm from Millie's After School Club.

Many thanks



Here are the PE slots for each class:

F1 (am): *Tuesday (please come in PE kit)*

F1 (pm): *Friday (please come in PE kit)*

F2a: *Wednesday (please come in PE kit)*

F2b: *Wednesday (please come in PE kit)*

1A: *Monday and Wednesday (please come in PE kit)*

1B: *Monday and Wednesday (please come in PE kit)*

1C: *Monday and Wednesday (please come in PE kit)*

2A: *Monday (please ensure you have PE kit in school) and Tuesday (please come in PE kit)*

2B: *Tuesday (please come in PE kit) and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)*

2C: *Tuesday (please come in PE kit) and Friday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)*

2D: *Monday (please ensure you have PE kit in school) and Thursday (please come in PE kit)*

2E: *Thursday (please come in PE kit) and Friday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)*

2F: Tuesday (please ensure you have PE kit in school) and Thursday (please come in PE kit)



 office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk

 **0115 9667930** (option 1 to record a child's absence or option 2 to speak to a member of the admin team)

 <https://www.arnoldmillprimary.co.uk>

 <https://www.facebook.com/arnoldmillofficial>
