



16th January 2026



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*Dear Parents and Carers,*

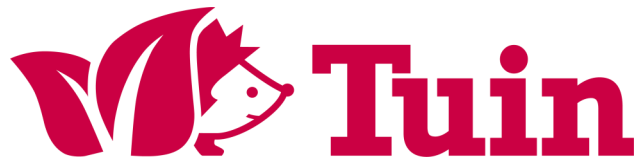
*There has been much excitement in the Foundation Unit this week. We wanted to say a massive thank you to Tuin Ltd for kindly gifting one of their amazing 'Peter Pan Playhouses'. Mr Poulet will begin the 'big build' shortly, photo's to follow.*

*On a more somber note we have received yet another request from our neighbours to be mindful of parking and traffic related matters at school pick up and drop off time, please see the Parking and Traffic article below for more details.*

*Have a lovely weekend.*

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

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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.

## Calendar



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## January

*Mon 19th - F2 visit to St Paul's Church ([link to letter](#))*

*Thurs 22nd - 1A Assembly with parents/carers ([link to letter](#))*

*Fri 23rd - Friends of Arnold Mill PTFA Meeting - drop in, all welcome ([link to poster](#))*

*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 - 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 - Wonka 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 19th - 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<sup>st</sup> September

**Autumn Term**  
1 September - 17 October 7 weeks  
3 November - 19 December 7 weeks

**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

**Inset Days**  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July

## Dinner Menu - w/c 19th January 2026

Winter Menu 2025-26					
Week Commencing: 17 <sup>th</sup> November, 8 <sup>th</sup> December, 19 <sup>th</sup> January, 9 <sup>th</sup> February, 2 <sup>nd</sup> March, 23 <sup>rd</sup> March					
Week 3					
	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Option 1	Spaghetti Bolognese <small>Gluten Mustard Soya</small> Garlic bread <small>Gluten Soya Milk</small> & salad	Chicken & vegetable fajitas <small>Gluten</small> with smoky jacket wedges & tomato salsa <small>Sesame</small>	Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding <small>Milk Egg Gluten</small> Roast potatoes, carrots, broccoli & Gravy	Nottinghamshire sausage <small>Gluten Sulphur Dioxide</small> Mashed potatoes & seasonal vegetables	Chip shop style fish 'n' chips <small>Gluten Fish</small> with curry sauce <small>Celery, Egg, Milk, Mustard, Soya, Gluten</small> & 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> 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	Zesty lemon jelly with a cookie <small>Gluten</small>	Iced carrot cake <small>Gluten Egg Sulphur Dioxide</small>	Chocolate Cracknell <small>Gluten Milk</small>	Butterscotch shortcake <small>Gluten Milk Soya</small>	JimJam 'nut free' chocolate Brownie <small>Egg Milk Gluten</small>

## Friends of Arnold Mill PTFA (FOAM)

*Join us in the School Staff Room - We are a group of volunteer parents teachers and support staff that work together to make Arnold Mill a better environment for children to learn (grandparents, aunts, uncles and willing volunteers from the community) etc, are also welcome to attend). We raise extra funds through a range of fun and creative initiatives, events and much more. Pop along to find out about our plans for future events, fundraising ideas and ways to support the school and your child(ren). New and old faces welcome!*

*Child(ren) from Arnold Mill Primary are welcome to attend the 8.30am Free Breakfast Club whilst you are at the meeting.*



## Lost Property

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*This un-named, un-claimed Lost Property will be disposed of/donated to charity on Monday. If something belongs to your child it can be collected from the Lost Property Box at the front of school.*

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## Severe Weather – Emergency School Procedures



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*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.*

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## Charity Ice Hockey Match - Free child tickets



*As a school we encourage support of charitable causes, as such, we have been provided a free ticket allocation of a Charity Ice Hockey match in aid of Breast Cancer. Supporting both Coppafeel! And BreastCancerNow charities with all proceeds from tickets going to these charities.*

*Our school has been given a free ticket for every child (under the age of 11 years old) for this match which takes place at Nottingham Motorpoint Arena on the 8th February (3.30pm Face off).*

*The event itself features ex-elite league players David Clarke (Panthers), Marc Levers (Panthers) and Ben Bliss (Steelers) amongst the roster of the Nottingham Knights Ice Hockey Club.*

*For more information and tickets please go to <http://bit.ly/48QdMz0> On here to obtain our Schools allocation for your child simply select to buy 'primary School Child Tickets' and use the*

*code 'NottsPrimaryPupil08226' in the promo code box. (Note this can only be used for the pupils, Adults must purchase their tickets separately.*

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## **Library Visits for the Spring Term**



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*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.*

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

## Counselling with Carla

CARLA ROSE COUNSELLING



Carlarosecounselling@gmail.com

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*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](mailto:carlarosecounselling@gmail.com)*

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

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

\*Copies provided on request

## Contact:

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Email:  
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@gmail.com





## Plea to parents to apply for Free School Meals even if your child is in F2-Y2 and in receipt of Universal Infant Free School Meals

### IT'S MORE THAN A FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATION

*Did you know that free school meal applications assist in so much more than just free meals? Take a look!*



Free School Meals

Free school meals guaranteed until parent's eligibility ceases



Extra School Funding

School will receive Pupil Premium funding for every child entitled to free school meals - even if parent's eligibility ceases



Free School Milk

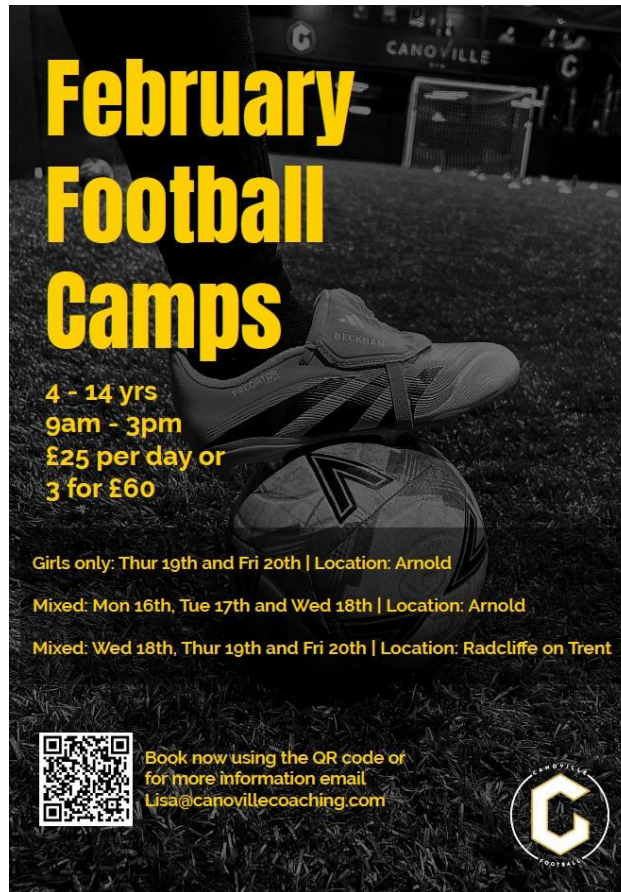
Children will be eligible for free milk throughout primary school (universal entitlement ends at age 5) or until parent's eligibility ceases



Access to HAF

Access to Holiday and Food Programme, giving free activities during school holidays

## Community Notices




# 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](mailto:Lisa@canovillecoaching.com)



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](http://pbbl.uk/StarStrikeFootball)








## 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](#)



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## Previously Seen Articles



## Important Policies



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*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](#)

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## **The School Car Park**



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*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*

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**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)

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 [office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk](mailto: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)

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