



9th October 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for coming to join us at the book-look today. The children always enjoy sharing their work with you. They have real pride in their learning.

We are looking forward to being able to discuss your children's progress at the upcoming parents' evenings. We are running three different parent meetings this year, so some people will have theirs next week and others will be after half term. If you are unsure about your time slot, please check your emails first, then if you have any further questions, please talk to the office or your child's class teacher.

Next week we only have Sign Language on Monday and Girl's football on Tuesday. All other clubs have finished now until November.

We are pleased to announce that our attendance figure is on the up. 96.3% is better than we had at the end of last year. However, we have a long way to go, so please keep bringing your children to school everyday. Our next focus is the high number of parents who bring their children to school late. If children arrive late, they miss out on morning activities, aimed at helping key fact recall. Without this work, evidence shows that children struggle to keep up with their peers. After the half-term break, we will be sending out letters to parents where lateness has been identified as concerning. We really don't want to have to issue lateness penalty notices and so these letters will outline any possible support we can offer or any next steps to make sure they aren't needed. We really want to work together to make sure children have the best attendance, so that their learning doesn't suffer.

Have a lovely weekend.

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Calendar



October

Mon 12th - Parents' Evening (appointments can be booked via MCAS)

Wed 14th - Parents' Evening (appointments can be booked via MCAS)

Thur 15th - PTFA Golden Pumpkin Hunt ([link to poster](#))

19th-30th October - Half Term

November

Fri 6th - Individual and sibling photos

Fri 13th - PTFA Doughnut Friday (provisional)

Mon 16th - Fri 20th - PTFA Year 5/6 Games Week (provisional)

Thur 19th - Year 3&4 visit to Creswell Craggs ([link to letter](#))

Thur 19th - UKS2 Viking day ([link to letter](#))

Tues 24th - English Writing Assembly with parents (invitation only) (provisional)

*Fri 27th - Non Uniform Day (donations of Chocolate for PTFA Chocolate Tombola)
(provisional)*

December

Tue 1st - Fri 4th - Lucky Bags competition(provisional)

Fri 4th - PTFA Chocolate Tombola and Lucky Bag pop ups (provisional)

Sat 5th- Breakfast with Santa (booking details to follow)

Tue 8th - F1 Nativity (invitation only)(provisional)

Wed 9th - Book Bus in school

Thu 10th - Talent Assembly (invitation only) (provisional)

Thu 10th - F2 Nativity (invitation only) (provisional)

Fri 4th - PTFA Toy Sale pop up (provisional)

Tue 15th - KS1 Nativity (invitation only) (provisional)

Wed 16th - KS2 Christmas Outdoor Carol Performance (provisional)

Wed 16th - PTFA Rainbow Raffle and Christmas Cashpot Draw (provisional)

Wed 16th - PTFA F2/KS1 Christmas Party Disco (provisional)

Thu 17th - PTFA KS2 Christmas Party Disco (provisional)

21st December-1st January - Christmas Holidays

January

Mon 4th - Inset Day

February

Mon 1st -Rainbow Hearts for Children's Mental Health Week events (provisional)

Tue 2nd - Year 3/4 visit to Southwell Minster

Thur 4th - Year 4 Parents' Information Meeting for Residential to Lea Green [\(link to letter\)](#)

Fri 15th - Friends of Arnold Mill PTFA Meeting (provisional)

15th-19th February - Half Term

Fri 26th - PTFA Doughnut Friday (provisional)

March

Thu 4th - World Book Day

Thu 4th - PTFA World Book Day Wonderbar Golden Ticket event (provisional)

18th-19th - Year 4 Residential to Lea Green [\(link to letter\)](#)

April

May

Mon 3rd - Bank Holiday

Mon 10th - Thu 13th - Year 6 SATs week

Mon 24th - visit to National Space Centre



Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2026-27

August to June 2027

2026/27

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School Holidays

Public Holidays

Administration Day

Autumn Term

1 September - 16October 6 weeks 4 days

12 November - 18 December 7 weeks

Spring Term

4 January - 12 February 6 weeks

22 February - 25 March 4 weeks

Summer Term

12 April - 28 May 6weeks 4 days

7 June - 28 July 7 weeks 3 days

Inset Days

(please note that 2nd July 2027 is a provisional date and subject to change)

Dinner Menu - w/c 12th October 2026

LUNCHTIME					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN EVENT	Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Pulled Pork with Rice	Roast Chicken & Stuffing Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Lasagne	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips
WIDE-FOOT MAGIC	Beanie Sweetcorn Burrito	Butterbean Jambalaya with Rice	Roasted Broccoli & Pepper Tots, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Veg Lasagne	Vegetable Fingers with Chips
RAINBOW ALLEY	Green Beans	Sweetcorn	Carrots and Peas	Mixed Salad	Baked Beans
BIG TOPPING	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo
DESSERT TROLLEY	Sweet Potato Chocolate Brownies	Strawberry Jelly	Slicky Banana Pudding	Fizzjack	Carrot Cookies

New App Danger Alert!

We have been made aware that some of the children are using Kinzoo and Stars apps. These are celebrated as being safer online chat apps, specifically targeted at children. However, they are only safe if parents keep an eye on what is being posted. They do not filter for bad language, unkind comments or inappropriate images. If you allow your children to use these apps you will need to monitor what they sending in order to keep them safe. Primary school children do struggle to monitor themselves when sending messages. We would recommend you never leave your children unsupervised on a device.

Please use this link to see visit the online safety page on our website [Link to page](#)

Arnie's Breakfast Club and Millie's After School Club

OCTOBER AT ARNIE'S BREAKFAST & MILLIE'S AFTER SCHOOL CLUB	
MAD SCIENTIST WEEK	MONSTER MASH BASH
<u>w/c 5th October</u> Activities throughout the week - Burst the atoms - Giant bubble making - Tye Dye spectacular From 4-5pm to include - Celestial sandwiches - Oreo moon cakes - Star smoothies - Secret potion hot chocolate	<u>w/c 12th October</u> Activities throughout the week - Halloween garland making - Witches broom racing - Apple bobbing From 4-5pm to include - Monster Mash punch - Chocolate fingers - Mummy hot dogs - Black cat cookies - Brain juice jelly

This week the children have had great fun doing mad scientist themed activities. Next week's theme is nature and we have some great activities planned.









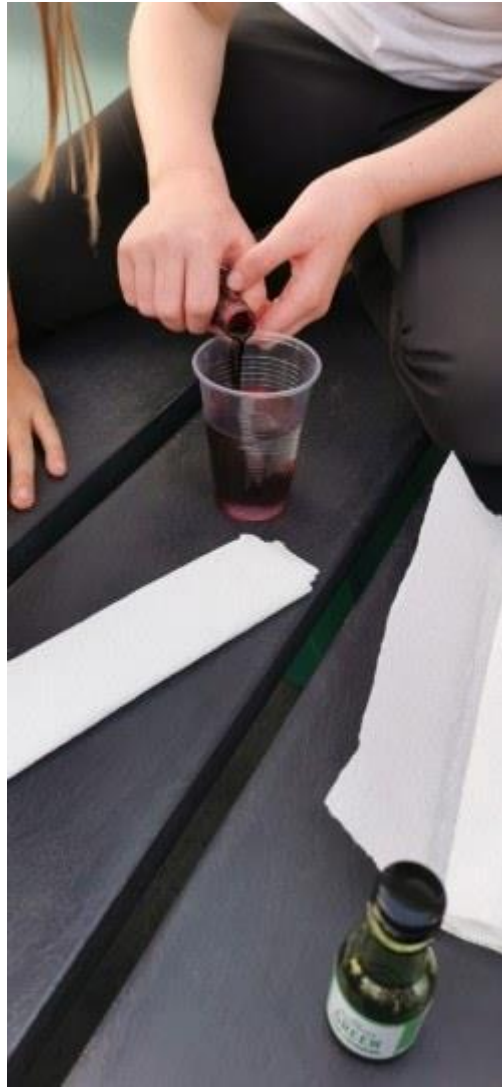














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Telephone (0115) 966 7930
office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk
Ofsted Registration: 122720

PE kit on class PE days

We have found that the lessons run much more smoothly and a lot of time is saved when the children don't need to get changed in school, it has also cut down on the amount of lost property.

- White t-shirt or polo shirt
- Black shorts or cycling shorts
- Black jogging bottoms or leggings
- Black hoodie
- Training shoes or plimsolls

Please also make sure that your child only comes in their PE kit on their allocated PE days.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Mrs Oldfield and Mrs Greentree

SEND





SEND Inclusion Service
Cognition & Learning Team

**NOTTS PARENT EVENT:
Understanding Dyslexia and Supporting at Home**

General Outline

This 2-hour webinar is suitable for the parents and carers of learners who have been identified as having dyslexic traits

We will cover what we understand by the term dyslexia and the implications it has for learning

We will then provide many practical tips for supporting these learners at home

Course Details

Monday, 23rd November 2026 – 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

VENUE: Taking place via MICROSOFT TEAMS
(joining instructions will be sent out separately prior to the session taking place)

The course Presenters will be
Bridget Thornhill, Ruth Screeton, Sandhya Sharma from the
Cognition and Learning Team, SEND Inclusion Service (SIS)

PLEASE NOTE: This event is FREE so there is no charge for attending

TO BOOK via EVENTBRITE Ctrl + Click Link below:

<https://notts-parent-event-supporting-dyslexia-at-home-23-nov-26.eventbrite.co.uk>

Closing date:

Monday, 16th November 2026 at 12:00 noon

Enquiries – Judith A Knight, SIS Admin Team: sis_sirw@nottsc.gov.uk or
Tel: 0115 854 6464



**Speech, Language and Communication
Early Years Parents and Carers Drop-In**

Come along to one of our early years drop-in sessions for children under 4 years old if you would like to talk with us about your child's talking and communication.



Arnbrook Family Hub
Bestwood Lodge Drive
Arnold
Nottingham
NG5 8NE



Wednesday 18th November 2026
9.30am - 11am



No need to book! Just pick a date and come along with your child at any time during the session.
We will be there to chat, play and answer any questions and give ideas!
Please call 0300 123 3387 for further information.
This is for Nottinghamshire families only.



**SEND Inclusion Service
Cognition & Learning Team
Training Overview
Autumn Term 2026 & Spring 1 2027**

The Cognition and Learning Team, SEND Inclusion Service will be providing opportunities in the Autumn and Spring Terms 2026/2027 up to February half-term 2027 for school staff to attend central training events about a range of topics as detailed below:

Training will be **FREE** on-line or for a small fee in venues (where applicable)

To book an event **please click on the link below** or via the East Midlands website:
www.em-edsupport.org.uk

PLEASE NOTE: School e-mail address required at time of booking
Personal e-mails **NOT** accepted (schools only)
If booking on behalf of colleagues (**NOT** recommended)
Please use contact details of delegate attending the training
(**NOT** staff making the booking)

PLEASE NOTE: ALL ICT EVENTS TO FOLLOW IN THE AUTUMN TERM

Autumn Term 2026				
TITLE	DATE	VENUE/ PLATFORM	PROVIDERS	BOOKING LINK and CLOSING DATE
Dyslexia twilight Session 1: Dyslexia Friendly Classrooms (repeated each term)	Wednesday 23rd September 2026 3:45 – 4:45	Microsoft TEAMS FREE	Bridget Thornhill / Victoria Jones	https://em-edsupport.org.uk/Event/297072 Friday 18th September 2026
Precision Teaching (repeated every half-term)	Tuesday, 29th September 2026 3:45 – 4:45	Microsoft TEAMS FREE	Kate Eyre / Ruith Screeton	https://em-edsupport.org.uk/Event/297080 Tuesday, 22nd September 2026
Strategies to Support Dyslexic Learners within Secondary Settings	Tuesday, 6th October 2026 9:30 – 12:00	Microsoft TEAMS FREE	Bridget Thornhill / Karen Firth	https://em-edsupport.org.uk/Event/297081 Friday, 2nd October 2026
Look and Say – A Whole Word Reading Approach (WWRA) (repeated every half-term)	Wednesday, 14th October 2026 3:45 – 4:45	Microsoft TEAMS FREE	Victoria Jones / Helen Holmes	https://em-edsupport.org.uk/Event/301449 Wednesday, 7th October 2026



Nottinghamshire Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust

What to expect from your Healthy Family Team contact



What your health visitor will discuss:

- ★ Your health and wellbeing
- ★ Your pregnancy, babies' health, and development
- ★ Bonding, attachment, and parenting
- ★ Who and where to go for support

Scan the QR code for
the Healthy Family
Team helpline:



Updated Relationships Education, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) and Health Education Policy

Please use this link to read the latest updated policy.

[Link to policy](#)

Reading at Home - changes to how you can record it

We hope you had a wonderful summer break. We are making some changes to how we record children's reading at home. Instead of using reading diaries, we will now be using Class Dojo to record home reading. This new system will be used across Years 1 to 6 and will help us keep a clear record of children's reading while making communication between home and school quicker and easier.

Please use the link below to read the letter.

[Link to letter](#)

Friends of Arnold Mill PTFA







Recycling

Thank you

for supporting
Arnold Mill Primary School's
recycling initiative

ALL ITEMS MUST BE BAGGED.

To protect your donations from moisture, dirt, and mold, please place all items in a securely tied plastic bag before dropping them into the chute.

IF THE BANK IS FULL

let the school know.

Please do not leave bags on the floor as they could get wet, ruined, or fly away, meaning they cannot be recycled, please take them home or drop them off at the school office instead.

THANK YOU!

CLOTHES RECYCLING BANK

Mobile Phones in School



A quick reminder that we have a no phones in school policy for children. They should not be bringing phones to school and if they do, it will be sent to the office and an adult will be asked to collect them. When used unsupervised, mobiles can lead to safeguarding concerns, unwanted photo taking and unkind messages. Please don't feel you need buy your child a phone, as it won't be allowed in school. You can see the policy in more detail by clicking this [link](#) Link to policy.

Community Notices



POWER LEAGUE KIDS CAMPS

HALLOWEEN HALF TERM CAMPS

Secure Your Kids Place Today



Book all five days and pay for four, plus receive an exclusive Nike x Powerleague shirt.

T&Cs: Offer valid on October Half Term Camp bookings only. Book five days and pay for four. Exclusive Nike x Powerleague shirt available with full-week bookings while stocks last. Full T&Cs apply.



FOOTBALL ACADEMY

26/27

SEASON 5

ACADEMY VENUE
Arnold View Primary School
Gedling Rd, Arnold NG5 6NW

Book Your Child's Space Today for:
£6.00 per Session
or Block Booking Available

TIMINGS
08:30 - 09:15 18 months - 2 Years
3-5 Years
08:30 - 09:30 Girls 6-11 Years
09:30 - 10:30 6-7 Years
8-9 Years
10-11 Years
10:30 - 11:30 TEAM TRAINING

ACTIVITIES
Ball Manipulation
Dribbling
Passing
Shooting
+ LOTS OF FUN GAMES!!

SCAN HERE TO BOOK!!



STAY SOCIAL
07398 215354
nextlevelsportsfootballacademy
Any queries, drop us an email:
bookings.nextlevelsports@gmail.com





SCHOOL ESSENTIALS

A community initiative connecting families with the things they need for school life.

WHAT WILL BE THERE?

- SHOES
- UNIFORMS
- PE KITS
- MATHS EQUIPMENT
- STATIONERY
- GLAZERS
- TRUSERS
- SKIRTS
- BAGS
- REVISION
- TRAINERS
- GUIDES

and lots, lots more...

WHERE AND WHEN?

ST TIMOTHY'S CHURCH & COMMUNITY CENTRE
Swinburne Way (off Byron Street) NG5 6BX

9.30-11.30am
SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER 2026

No charge for entry, tea & coffee will be served



HOW DOES IT WORK?

YOU MAY HAVE SCHOOL ESSENTIALS YOU CAN DONATE! If so, bring them along on the day, or contact Jackie on 07557 123 238.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SCHOOL ESSENTIALS? If so, come along and see if what you need is available. Items are free of charge but donations to help with the organisation of this and other initiatives will be gratefully received.

Where is St Tim's?



ST PAUL'S DAYBROOK

School Essentials is a community initiative of St Paul's, Daybrook. For further information, or have items you would like to donate, please contact Jackie Fuller on 07557 123 238. spd.church




FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM, BAGS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES!*

VISIT SELECT LIGHTHOUSE CHARITY SHOPS BETWEEN JAN 19TH AND FEB 22ND

- ARNOLD
- CLAY CROSS
- STAPLEFORD
- GLOSSOP
- EASTWOOD
- ALFRETON
- ILKESTON
- DRONFIELD
- JACKSDALE
- LANGLEY MILL
- BUXTON (EAGLE PARADE)
- (UNIT 8)



***3 UNIFORM ITEMS PLUS A BAG AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES PER CHILD (WHILST STOCK LASTS) - SEE THE VALLEY CIDS WEBSITE FOR YOUR NEAREST SHOP AND OPENING TIMES)**

WWW.VALLEYCIDS.CO.UK





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Counselling by Carla

CARLA ROSE COUNSELLING



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

*Copies provided on request

Contact:

Tel: 07929 604693
Email:
carlarosecounselling@gmail.com



Physical Education

Here are the PE slots for each class (now updated for 2026/27) - Please come in PE Kit on PE Days

F1 (am): *Thursday*

F1 (pm): *Friday*

F2a: *Wednesday*

F2b: *Wednesday*

1A: *Monday and Wednesday*

1B: *Monday and Wednesday*

1C: *Monday and Wednesday*

2A: *Monday and Thursday*

2B: *Thursday and Friday*

2C: *Tuesday and Thursday*

2D: *Monday and Tuesday*

2E: *Tuesday and Thursday*

2F: *Tuesday and Friday*



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

 <https://arnoldmill.school/>

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