

Arnold Mill Primary School

9th February 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

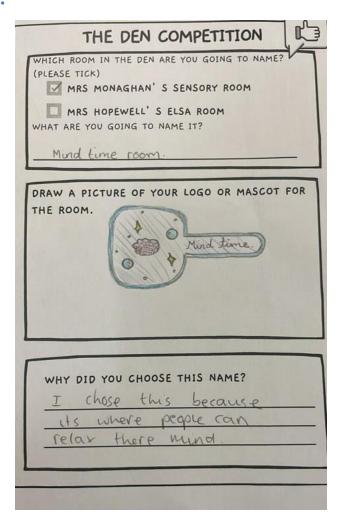
It's been so great seeing all of you at parents' evening this week. I hope you have all enjoyed hearing how your children are doing. If you've missed a slot this time, your child's class teacher should be getting in touch via email or phone to catch up with you. If you've not heard anything, please contact your child's class teacher. We've also got our open afternoon on Friday 23rd February from 3.00-3.30pm, where you're all invited to come and see your children's work.

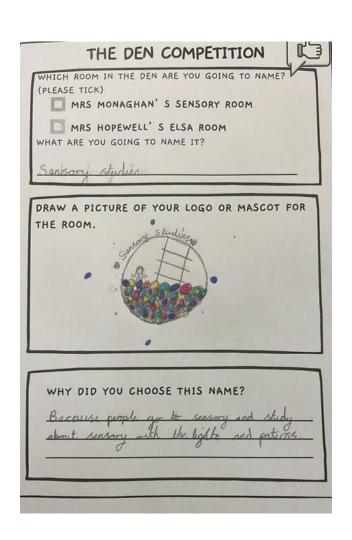
Please note it's half term next week and there are no clubs the first week back.

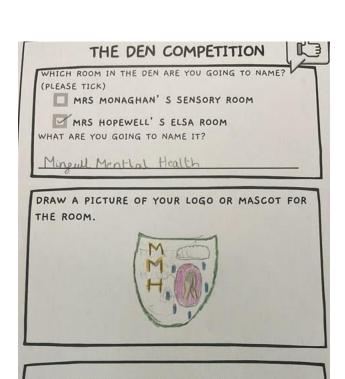
Have a super half term and we'll see you on Monday 19th February.

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Children's Work:



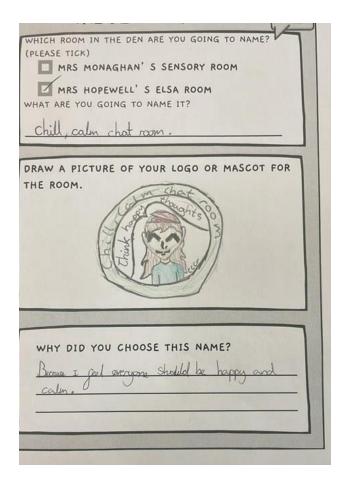


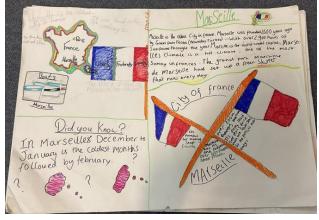


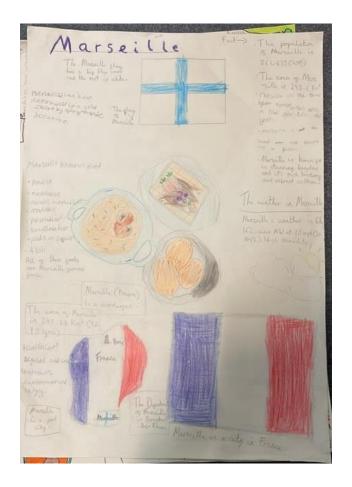
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Calendar



February

Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term

Tues 20th - Maths Celebration Assembly (by invite)

Thurs 22nd - F2 Visit to Arnold Park

Thurs 22nd - *Imam to visit year 5/6 as part of RE curriculum*

Fri 23rd - Parent book look with children

Fri 23rd - Class 1b Library Visit

Mon 26th - Class F2a Library Visit

Tues 27th - Class F2b Library Visit

Weds 28th - F1am & F1pm Library Visit

March

Fri 1st - Class 2a Library Visit

Thurs 7th - World Book Day (see letter)

Fri 15th - Red Nose Day

Fri 15th - 'The Easter Experience' Visit to Arnold Methodist Church (see letter)

Thurs 21st - Year 5/6 Visit to National Justice Museum (see letter)

Mon 25th - Easter assembly given by vicar from St Paul's Church

Tues 26th - Year 1 & 2 "Reading for Pleasure" Session 3.00-3.30pm (see letter)

Weds 27th - F2 parents invited to do Easter crafts with children (more details to follow)

Fri 29th - Good Friday - School Closed

April

Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April - Easter Holiday

May

Mon 6th - May Day Bank Holiday - School Closed

Thurs 9th - Fri 10th - Year 4 Residential visit to Rand Farm

Fri 24th - Year 1 & 2 Reading for Pleasure Session 9.00-9.30am (see letter)

Monday 27th - Friday 31st May - Half Term

June

Tues 24th - Dogs Trust whole school assembly and workshops with 2a, 2b, 2c (more details to follow)

July

Fri 12th - Inset Day - School Closed (change of date)

Tues 23rd - Year 1 & 2 Reading for Pleasure Session 3.00-3.30pm (see letter)

Fri 26th - Last day of term

New Articles



Parking



We have had a request from a resident on Mill Crescent to inform our parents that it is a private road and therefore parents should not park on it.

As a private road, any repairs needed to the road surface are the cost of the residents themselves. Whilst writing, I would ask that you always park considerately around school and would remind you that the school car park is for staff only and should not be used by parents unless collecting a child from Millie's After School Club **after 5pm**.

We would like to remind parents that the car park is for the use of <u>staff only</u> and should not be used for dropping off and picking up. This includes at breakfast club and after school clubs.

Thank you



Threadworms



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We wanted to make you aware that we have a case of threadworms in school.

Your child does not need to stay off school if you suspect or discover they have threadworm but we do ask that you treat your child with medication recommended by a pharmacist.

Let us know if your child has threadworm so that we can ask other parents to check their children.

We have been reminding the children when they should be washing their hands and how to wash their hands properly

For more information on diagnosing, treating and preventing threadworm please visit the NHS website

www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms







F2 Visit to Arnold Park: Thursday 22nd February



Since the beginning of term, we have been learning about where we live. We have discovered places in our local area that we can visit and have decided as a class we would like to visit Arnot Hill Park.

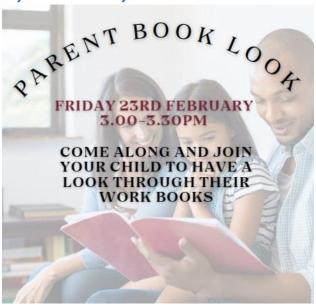
On Thursday 22nd February in the afternoon we will walk to the park. Whilst we are there we will use our map reading skills to follow a route around the park and find some places marked on the map. We will also have time for a short visit to the play area.

We will be back at school before the end of the school day.

Many thanks

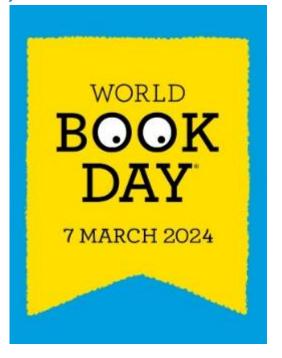
The Foundation 2 Team

Parent Book Look: Friday 23rd February



We would like to invite parents into school to look at children's work books with them on Friday 23rd February between 3.00 and 3.30pm.

World Book Day: Thursday 7th March 2024



This year, on Thursday 7th March, in celebration of World Book Day we will be joining together as a school to celebrate children's authors.

This year world book day titles are better than ever. You will be receiving your token on the big day! Visit https://www.worldbookday.com/ to find out more.

Each class has chosen an author to base their celebrations around.

Foundation - Kes Gray

1A - Allan Ahlberg

1C - Rachel Bright

2a - Roald Dahl

2b - Julia Donaldson

2C - David Walliams

2D - Cressida Cowell

2E - J KRowling

2F - Dan Freedman

We are inviting the children to dress up as a character created by their chosen author if they would like to. There is no pressure for you buy a costume as we will give them some resources to make masks in school.

The class teachers will gather ideas and share these on teams and in classroom windows.

There will be lots of book related activities going on throughout the day for the children to enjoy and we would love the children to bring a favourite book to school to share with their friends.

At 3pm we will be opening the doors and inviting parents, grandparents and carers to join us and 'tuck into a book'. This will give you a chance to read a story to your child or them read it to you!

We hope that you will support us with encouraging and nurturing your child's love of books through celebrating World Book Day with us.

Thanks for all your continued support.

Shaun Hewlett, Katie Appleyard and Matthew Booth - Literacy Leads





As part of our RE topic about Easter, we have arranged for the Year 3 children in 2A and 2B to visit Arnold Methodist Church to take part in their 'Easter Experience'. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to visit a Christian place of worship and explore the meaning of Easter for Christians. We will be visiting on Friday 15th March as one Year 3 group.

Dinner Menus w/c 19th February 2024









1 - Link to website



Our volunteers offer support to families and carers on issues such as bullying, behavioural issues, problems at school, relationship issues, family breakdown, and more through our national helpline.

Based at home, we will provide you with full training remotely and ongoing supervision. Volunteering is a great way to gain new skills, meet new people and help support families in crisis.

What you can gain from volunteering:

- Listening and reflection skills
- Training and ongoing development
- Experience in family support
- · Skills and experience for future employment
- Sense of fulfilment from helping people
- A boost for your emotional and mental

To find out more or to book onto our training, please email suebe@familylives.org.uk



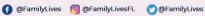
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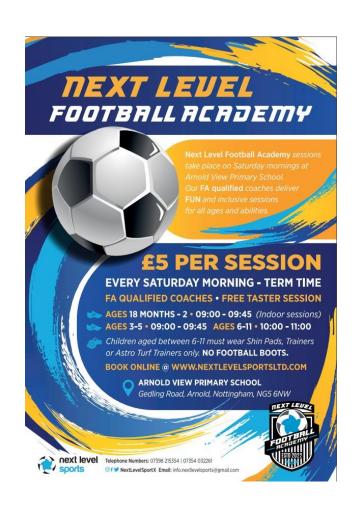


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If you're pregnant or have recently given birth in Nottingham or Nottinghamshire, we'd like to hear your views.

Take our online survey Open until 4 March 2024

bit.ly/FreeVitaminsSurvey



Scan me for survey









NOTTINGHAM MEN ALLOWED - PRESS RELEASE

Pop Up Singing Projects have been such a massive success around the UK that the popular event now hits **Nottingham** in 2024 as *Nottingham Men Allowed*!

Nottingham Men Allowed sets but to give around 40 or so local men the chance to get involved in singing whilst supporting Prostate Cancer UK and raising awareness, trying something new and giving something back to the community... YOU could be one of them!

There is everything to like! The learning of FOUR great songs will take just six weeks in an informal city centre setting and you'll build up and grow towards a fabulous live charity event held at the Marcus Garvey Centre in April 2024. You'll learn to sing, meet new people, challenge yourself, perform live on stage AND raise funds for charity.

You don't require previous experience, only the drive to push out of your comfort zone and give it a go... everyone takes the same path together!

UK projects of this nature have previously been a tremendous positive experience for the men involved, with comments including:

"Amazing, I never thought in a million years I would ever sing in front of hundreds of people! The sense of achievement was amazing!"

"The whole experience was extremely rewarding and exciting. You get to see what your voice is really capable of and to share a few pints with a great bunch of guys from all walks of life, who you might not normally meet".

"A really great experience, and you got the best out of us... brilliant!"

"Our hard work paid off! Thanks for finding something in us that most didn't know we had!"

"Performing in front of an audience in a concert is amazing. I couldn't recommend it highly enough!"

"A great bunch of men, at the start it was daunting, but it all came good!

"When I saw the flyer, I jumped at the chance to get involved! I'd recently moved to the area and I was looking for a way to get involved in the community and start building a social group, and this was the perfect opportunity!"

Nottingham Men Allowed launches with two introductory sessions, so please sign up on either Tuesday 27th February or Tuesday 5th March, both sessions run 7:30-9.30pm. Here you can have a free beer on us, meet the team and some of the other men involved. This is NOT an audition, it's simply an opportunity to find out more about YOUR voice and about the process.

So...why not start YOUR Nottingham Men Allowed journey NOW? Take on a fresh challenge, do something different, book a time slot TODAY!

- INTRODUCTORY SESSIONS for Nottingham Men Allowed will be at The Canal House, Canal Street, Nottingham NG1 7EH on Tuesday 27th February or Tuesday 5th March (7:30-9:30pm) and include a free beer, please register to receive your timestot.
 REHEARSALS for Nottingham Men Allowed will also be at The Canal House as above from 7:30pm on the evenings of, 4th, 19th, 26th March, then 2nd, 9th and 16th April.



Nottingham Men Allowed - what's happening?

Starting from scratch in March 2024, Nottingham Men Allowed is about getting 40 or so local men to rehearse over six weeks for a charity concert supporting Prostate Cancer UK which will take place at the Marcus Garvey Centre on Saturday 20th April.

Come along to one of our sign-up sessions where you can meet our Musical Director Ian Watts and the team, as well as the singers who will help and support you throughout the project.

There is NO audition, you'll simply be asked to sing a few notes so we know how high/low your voice is and what voice part you will sing.

The sessions will be at the Canal House Pub, Canal Street, Nottingham NG1 7EH as follows:

- Tuesday 27th February: 7.30pm 9.30pm
 Tuesday 5th March: 7.30pm 9.30pm

You only need to attend one of these sessions. Please let us know ASAP which session you wish to attend, and we will give you a time-slot to minimise your waiting time.

Rehearsals will be from 7.30pm on the evenings of 14th, 19th, 26th March, then 2nd, 9th and 16th April at the Canal House Pub, Canal Street, Nottingham NG1 7EH. You will have already met Ian and the team - we'll supply the music - all you have to do is turn up!

The local Nottingham Men Allowed concert is at The Marcus Garvey Centre at 7.30pm on Saturday 20th April 2024.

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Previously Published Articles

Some prescription medication now available directly through a pharmacist without the need for a doctor's appointment



We all know how difficult it can be to get a doctor's appointment. However, it has recently been announced that pharmacists can now prescribe medication for the following conditions as well as give you advice on a range of conditions and suggest medicines you can buy that can help.

- sore throat
 - earache
 - sinusitis
- impetigo
- shingles
- infected insect bites
- uncomplicated urinary tract infections in women

Patients can access the new service by walking straight into a chemist. They can also be referred by NHS 111, urgent treatment centres, emergency departments or their GP. Those who are not registered with a GP can still access the service.

If one of the seven conditions is diagnosed, pharmacists can give medicines to patients rather than sending them back to their GP. Patients who need more specialist or follow-up care will be referred onwards.

Pre-loved uniform for sale



We have some pre-loved logo uniform for sale via ParentPay. We will continue to put items on for sale as we receive donations. If you wish to donate old uniform (logo and non-logo), please drop it off at the school office.

Year 5 & 6 visit to The National Justice Museum: Thursday 21st March 2024



In support of our topic for the summer term on 'Crime & Punishment', we have arranged a visit to the **National Justice Museum in Nottingham**. This visit is always a favourite and provides the children with the opportunity to visit a Victorian gaol (jail), courtroom and more modern police station and cells. This year, the children will have the opportunity to be Victorian CSI agents as well as learning about the history of the gaol and of Nottingham itself!

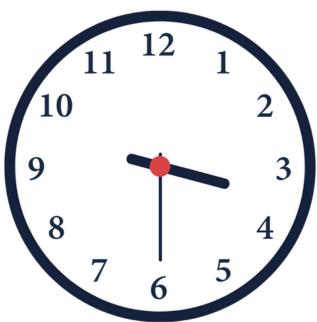
The cost of the visit is £12.74 per child (payable via your child's ParentPay account by 14th March please) and this includes return coach transport and entry to the museum, including three one-hour, guided activities. The visit will take place within our normal school day leaving at 9.15am and returning before 3.30pm. The children will need to wear school uniform.

The children will need to be provided with a drink (not fizzy or glass bottles please) and a packed lunch for the trip (please confirm whether you will send a home prepared or ordering one from school) one can be ordered from school – please select the relevant option on the Trip Permission Form). Please complete the Trip Permission Form, which was sent home this week, and return it to the school office by 7th March 2024.

Many thanks

Mr Hewlett, Miss Dibley and Mr Phillips

Late Collection Policy



We have recently reviewed our Late Collection Policy and I just wanted to share it with parents to make sure everyone is aware of our expectations and any charges which will apply if a child is collected from school late.

The main thing to note is that if a child is not collected by 3.45pm, they will be taken to Millie's After School Club and a charge will be made to the parent.

You can read the policy by clicking this link.



Visits to Arnold Library

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 (which will need to be returned to the library please). 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.

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

Thanks for all your support.

Deputy Head Teacher - Shaun Hewlett

Class	When	Time
2F	Wednesday 17 th January 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
2E	Thursday 18th January 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
2D	Wednesday 24th January 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
2 <i>C</i>	Wednesday 31st January 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
2B	Tuesday 30 th January 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
2 <i>A</i>	Friday 1st March 2024	9.30am-10.30am
1 <i>C</i>	Friday 2nd February 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
1B	Friday 23rd February 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
1A	Friday 9 th February 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm
F2A	Monday 26 th February	1.30pm-2.30pm
F2B	Tuesday 27 th February	1.30pm-2.30pm
F1am	Wednesday 28th February 2024	9.30am-10.30am
F1pm	Wednesday 28 th February 2024	1.30pm-2.30pm



We had two representatives from Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade give an assembly to pupils last week.

If your child is interested in attending, please see the leaflet for more details.



For further information please contact Ann on 07467194522 or come and see us on a Monday night! 39th Nottingham Boys' Brigade MONDAYS Term Time only KS1&2: 6.30–7.30pm KS3:7.45–9pm







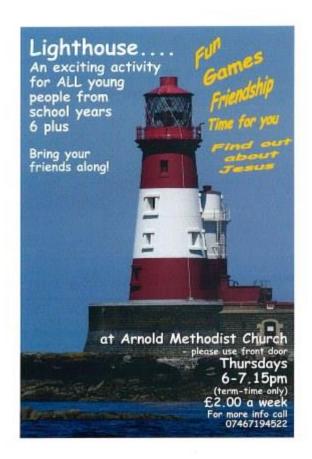
2nd Arnold Girls Brigade WEDNESDAY Term time only First term 6-30pm till 8pm to begin with—£2 a session



To book your place please contact Yvonne (evening only) on 07954402258 email: 2ndarnold@gmail.com

Camps

Girls' Brigade and Boys' Brigade both meet at Arnold Methodist Church – the church in the marketplace









- Crafts
- Free Play
- Chat
- Singing
- Bible Story

Thursday 10am to 11.30. (Term time only)

A welcoming, safe, warm, comfortable space for babies, children (new born-5 years) and their parents/carers.

Snack and a drink for the children. Refreshments for adults.

It's a great place to relax, make new friends, feel loved and supported, both for children and adults.

All our helpers are DBS checked, safeguard trained and some are trained paediatric first aiders.

For more information contact Sally Belfield- amc Families Worker amcfamilies@outlook.com or call 07495785347 Facebook: Sallybelfieldamcfamilyworker

Arnold Methodist Church - the church in the marketplace



Useful information



Click through the sheets below for information about:

- Wraparound Care
- PE Timetable
- Free school meals and milk
- Information Leaflet about Strep A
- Academic Calendar 2022-23 (including inset days)
- Link to school policies
- ParentPay
- Easyfundraising
- Cost of Living Helpsheet
- Minor Ailment Scheme help with cost towards medication
- Headlice how to detect and treat
- Inspiring Reading Advice for Parents
- Tax Free Childcare (help towards the cost of Breakfast Club and 30 hour lunchtime supervision fees)

Just click on the symbol in the top left hand corner of the relevant sheet to find out more information on that subject.



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 and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)

- 2B: Tuesday and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)
- 2C: Monday and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)
- 2D: Tuesday and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)
 - 2E: Tuesday and Friday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)
- 2F: Tuesday and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)





Greet your child with a smile and not a mobile!



2 - Click here for information about free school meals and milk



3 - <u>Click for important information about Strep A</u>

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2023-24



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4 - Click here to see school policies



5 - Click link to visit ParentPay



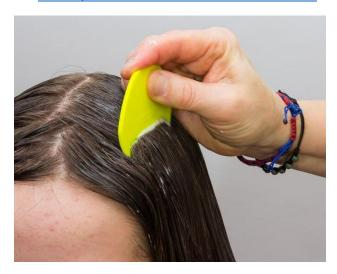
6 - Click link to sign up to Easyfundraising



7 - <u>Link to Cost of Living Factsheet</u>



8 - Link to information about the NHS Minor Ailment Scheme



9 - <u>Link to information about how to deal with head lice</u>





Inspiring Reading



Children need support to develop the habit and love of reading. How can you be their inspiration?

- $l.\ Talk$ about the reader's interests and inclinations find connected texts that tempt to explore and discuss together.
- Think about why reading is good for them focus on intrinsic motivation rather than external rewards.
- 3. Capitalise on opportunities to share reading thoughts and interests
- with others encourage them to notice preference and choice. 4. Find regular opportunities to visit your local/school library.
- Make reading time relaxed and interactive chat about pictures, characters, likes, dislikes and interesting facts.
- 6. Be a reading detective by investigating the different purposes for reading (e.g. adverts to persuade, news to inform, stories to entertain).
- Recognise and celebrate diversity in texts empower reading of magazines, comics and texts that reflect different realities..
- 8. Invite others into the reading space share the love of reading together in your reading community!

In collaboration with Book Week NI 2022



For more inspiration, visit https://ourfp.org/
@OpenUni_RfP





We've signed up for Tax-Free Childcare: Have you?

Find out more at childcarechoices.gov.uk

10 - Link to Tax Free Childcare website



11 - The School Essentials program give away uniform and other school items to local parents. The new Essentials Cafe will be offering a free drink and light lunch as well as having uniform available for people who need things mid term. This is not a referral scheme and so is open for everyone to help with the cost of living and hoping to help ensure all children are equipped with all they need for school life.



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20115 9667930 (option 1 to record a child's absence or option 4 to speak to a member of the admin team)

https://www.arnoldmillprimary.co.uk

https://www.facebook.com/arnoldmillofficial