Arnold Mill Primary School

17th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The KS2 part of our School Choir are going to be singing at the Arnold Christmas light switch on at 5.15pm on Friday 24th November 2023. It will be a lovely event, and if you fancy popping down, please clap loudly for us. The whole choir will be singing at our Christmas fair the following Friday, so if you miss them at the light switch on, you could always catch us then.

The children loved the film night this week. There is definitely something special about chilling with your friends, watching a movie together. A massive thank you to the Staff for running this!

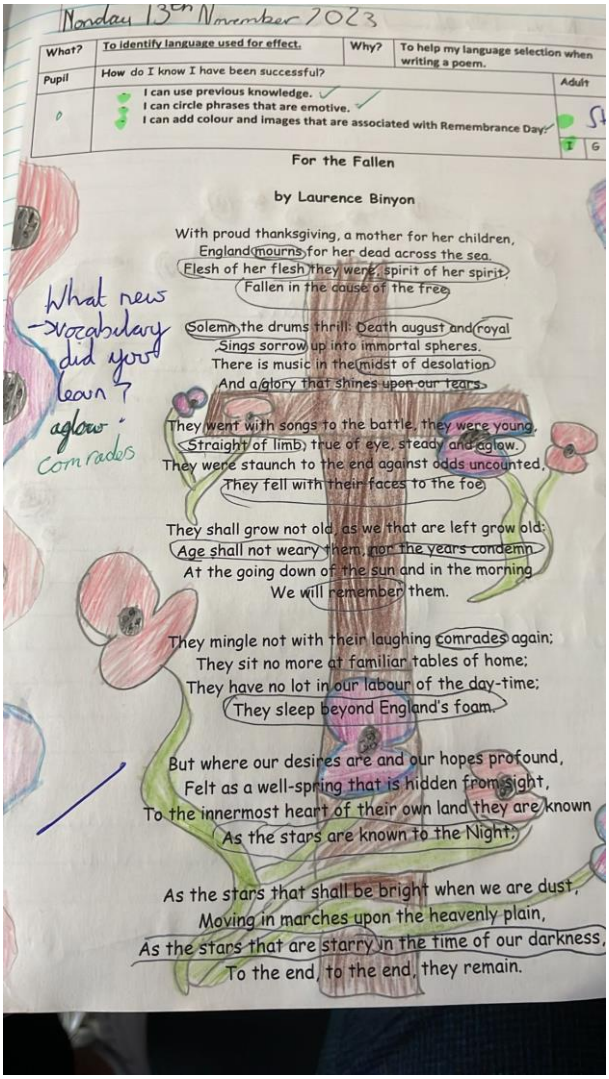
We all enjoyed celebrating our school's 'Star Writers' and dressing up for Children in Need. Thank you for your support with these events.

There is a space on our governing body for a new parent governor. We sent out emails about nominations, but didn't get any interest this time. We are going to send this out again in the next few weeks, so if you feel you could spare a bit of time to support school, please think about nominating yourself. If you want any more information about this role, Melanie Haslam is our new Chair of Governor, I'm sure she would be happy to talk you through things.

Have a great weekend!

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Children's Work:



Monday 13th November 2023

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What new vocabulary did you learn?
aglow.
comrades

For the Fallen

by Laurence Binyon

With proud thanksgiving, a mother for her children,
England mourns for her dead across the sea.
Flesh of her flesh they were, spirit of her spirit,
Fallen in the cause of the free.

Solemn the drums thrill: Death august and royal
Sings sorrow up into immortal spheres.
There is music in the midst of desolation
And a glory that shines upon our tears.

They went with songs to the battle, they were young,
Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow.
They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted,
They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

They mingle not with their laughing comrades again;
They sit no more at familiar tables of home;
They have no lot in our labour of the day-time;
They sleep beyond England's foam.

But where our desires are and our hopes profound,
Felt as a well-spring that is hidden from sight,
To the innermost heart of their own land they are known
As the stars are known to the Night.

As the stars that shall be bright when we are dust,
Moving in marches upon the heavenly plain,
As the stars that are starry in the time of our darkness,
To the end, to the end, they remain.

What?	To write an emotive poem	Why?	To show the importance of Remembrance Day.
Pupil	How do I know I have been successful?		Adult
	- I can use previous knowledge. - I can use emotive language - I can use powerful verbs. - I can read my poem out to the class.		I G P

For our peace givers
by Sandett

In our country, long ago,
Peace wasn't always free,
Our soldiers fought, day and night,
Hoping they wouldn't lose their life,
For our peace

One by one, day by day,
lives drifted away,
As blood took over the water,
Smoke painted the sky,
It was like the field's colour was sucked out
by the war,
For our peace

Death toll lost,
Many lives lost,
Lives suffering,
Whilst their hope for our
country stayed,
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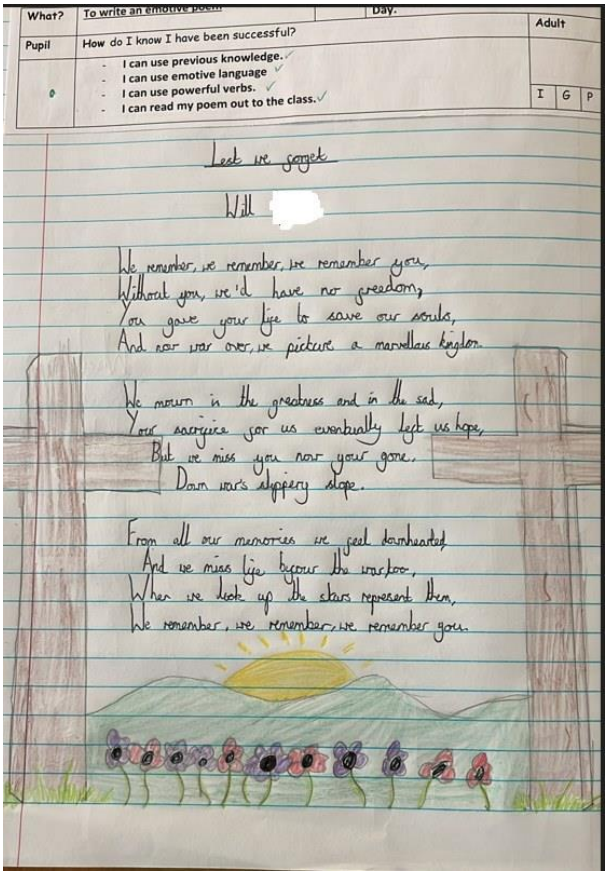
- Profound
- Comrades
- Condemn



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Lest we forget

Will [redacted]

We remember, we remember, we remember you,
Without you, we'd have no freedom,
You gave your life to save our souls,
And now war over, we picture a marvellous kingdom.

We mourn in the greatness and in the sad,
Your sacrifice for us eventually left us hope,
But we miss you now your gone,
Down war's slippery slope.

From all our memories we feel downhearted
And we miss life beyour the warfare,
When we look up the stars represent them,
We remember, we remember, we remember you.

Talent Assembly - Tuesday 5th December (nominations to be made by Friday 24th November)

As a school, we value nurturing the whole child, not just those who excel in school based activities and therefore, we would like to know about your children's achievements outside of school.

We are holding an Arnold Mill Talent Assembly as we want to celebrate some of the amazing talents, achievements or contributions to society that your children have accomplished away from school.

If you feel that your child does something outside of school that is worth celebrating, we would like you to nominate them for a mention during this assembly.

In the past we have celebrated musical talents, dancers, community volunteers and children who take part in dramatic productions. We don't mind what their talent is, we just like to celebrate what they have been doing.

If you would like to nominate your child, please send a brief description, with a photo if possible, by **Friday 24th November 2023** *to joldfield@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk We won't be able to include any nominations received after this date.*

There will be additional talent assemblies during the year, so if you can't nominate this time, there will be other opportunities.

Looking forward to celebrating with you!

Christmas

1 - We will be holding our Christmas Fair and Christmas Market on Friday 1st December . If you, or someone you know, is able to help either at the Fair or during the run up we would be very grateful. Help needed includes sticking tickets on tombola prizes, setting up stalls ready for the Fair, helping on a stall at the Fair.

Or, do you know of a local business or individual that would be willing to donate a prize or two for the raffle or a stall?

For more information about the Christmas Fair, and all other things Christmassy (including Christmas Performances, Christmas Dinner, Christmas parties etc - please see our Christmas Newsletter - here is the Christmas Newsletter link.

Any other help would be appreciated - please click on this link I can help

PTA - we need more volunteers to join the PTA to help plan and run fundraising events, if you can help please (or would like more information) please contact the school office (office@arnoldmill.nottts.sch.uk) to let us know how you can help.

Join the PTA!

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

Kingswood

We recently held a hugely successful residential trip to Kingswood Dearne Valley. We have decided to run the same trip again next year. It will be from Monday 16th - Friday 20th September 2024.

The 4 night/5 day experience includes the following:

- *Coach travel to and from the venue.*
- *4 nights accommodation.*
- *Cooked breakfast, lunch and evening meal every day*
- *A range of adventure and water activities supervised by trained instructors*
- *An experience to never forget.*

The cost of this trip works out at £358.50 + £16.25 for the bus (this may vary, depending on spaces booked) per child.

If you would like your child to go on the trip, please pay a minimum of £10 deposit by Friday 17th November and this will confirm your child's place.

The remaining balance can be paid either in full or by instalment as long as the full balance is paid by July 2024.

I really hope that you feel able to allow your child to take part in this opportunity and I look forward to going into more detail about the itinerary as soon as we confirm the booking.

Please also be aware that we will be working as a group to try and fundraise so we can reduce the total cost. This could change the final balance due but we will keep you informed as much as possible. ***Also, due to the rising cost, this may be the final time that we can expect parents to pay for this trip, so could be the final time that we run this trip in this format.***

Mr T Robinson and G.Dibley

Residential Visit to Kingswood: *September 2024*

Project Playground

We all know that playtimes can be tricky for children, especially if they have nothing to play with. With this in mind, we have joined the OPAL Primary Programme. Their vision can be seen using this link https://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/about-us/our-vision/

As part of this, we have started our own 'Project Playground" fundraising campaign. We need to develop the equipment and storage solutions in our school grounds. We want to develop different areas for children to use independently, for example, construction zones, quiet areas to read and draw and role play spaces where children can use their imagination.

How can you help?

We have set aside some of our school budget to make these changes but are asking for a little help from you so that we can improve lunchtimes as soon as possible. Some things can be donated, but we will need to purchase quality storage and equipment which will last.

Donations of equipment:

We are looking for physical donations such as outdoor games, dressing up clothes, pushchairs and any construction materials. If you have anything you think might be suitable, please speak to the office.

Fundraising:

Alongside any physical donations, we are also need monetary donations for sheds, storage boxes and sturdy play equipment. We will be focusing our fundraising efforts on this throughout the year, with money from school fairs, performances etc going towards this. We have also set up a Justgiving page for donations, just click on this link.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. Your donations will go directly to benefit the children at Arnold Mill Primary School and will be gratefully received.

Lantern Parade Workshop: *Saturday 18th November*

A message from St Paul's Daybrook:

As the nights draw in and our thoughts begin to turn towards Christmas, we would like to invite your school community to join us for a lantern-making workshop on Saturday 18th November from 10am till 1pm at St Paul's church hall (see poster).

We are partnering with our local Councillor Kyle Robinson-Payne and Gedling Play Forum to run this free Christmas event.

Participants will also be invited to join a lantern parade from the church to Arnold Marketplace for the switch-on of the Christmas lights on Friday 24th November.

The event is free to attend but tickets need to be booked so that we know how many lanterns will be required. Please book tickets for each person making a lantern using this link: Eventbrite link: https://tinyurl.com/advent-lantern-making

Thank you for supporting this exciting community event.

NHS Flu Vaccinations: *21st November*

As part of the NHS National Immunisation schedule, the NHS are offering the flu vaccine to all primary and secondary school children. This has been scheduled for 21st November for children at Arnold Mill.

Please use this link to read the information leaflet Link to information leaflet

Please use this link to fill out the consent form Link to consent form

Please note that children will only receive the vaccination if parental consent is given.

Year 5 & 6 - National Holocaust Museum: *22nd November*

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*The visit**, on 22nd November 2023**, will provide an engaging opportunity for the children to discover what life was like for Jewish children in Europe during World War 2 and will be an informative way of extending our classroom work in history, geography and R.E. We will have the opportunity to hear a survivor of the Holocaust speak about their experiences and the whole day is an extremely moving and thought-provoking experience.*

*The trip to The Holocaust Museum will take place during school hours, leaving school at 9.15am and returning by 3.30pm and will cost **£14.00, payable via your child's ParentPay account by 17th November please**. The cost of the trip includes transport and entrance to the museum.*

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 enclosed Trip Permission Form and return it to the school office by 1st November.

On the day the children will need to wear school uniform and may also bring a small amount of money (£5 max.) to spend in the gift shop should you wish, however this will be their responsibility to look after.

There will be lots of other thrilling adventures so keep an eye out for more.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Dibley, Mr Hewlett and Mr Phillips

Class 1C Assembly – Thursday 23rd November 2023 (booking essential)

We would like to invite Class 1C parents/carers to join us for the above assembly.

Due to health and safety reasons relating to the number of people in the Hall we have to limit the number of guests for the assembly to two per child. To ensure that we set out the correct number of guest chairs on the day please complete/submit a booking form by midnight on Wednesday 22nd November via this link 1C Assembly.

We will not be issuing physical tickets as the booking form enables us to produce the guest list.

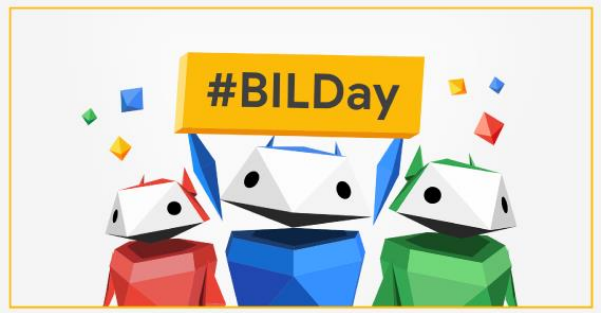
We would like to clarify the arrangements for the day as follows:

- *On the morning of the assembly, we will set out the number of seats as requested via the electronic booking form.*
- *Doors open for guests at approx. 9.05am and the assembly is due to start at 9.10am*
- *Please note that the pedestrian gate on Bestwood Avenue is locked at 9.15am and will remain locked until 3.15pm.*
- *The main vehicular access gates leading to the staff car park remain closed during the day, if the vehicle gate happens to be open, please do not park in the car park as you risk being locked in (the gates will remain locked between 8.30 and 9.10am).*

REMINDER - in line with our Safeguarding Policy and Social Media Parental Agreement, there should be no phones out during the assembly.

Non-Uniform Day: *24th November*

Online Safety Assembly - Invite to parents to join remotely: *Tuesday 28th November*



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to invite you all to join a special online assembly to celebrate Google's Be Internet Legends Day 2023!

As you will know, we spend a lot of time carefully selecting and using the best resources to support the teaching of online safety in school. This is an area that we know concerns many parents and carers as our children are increasingly accessing online environments.

In KS1, we use our SMART with a Heart rules to help the younger children in school remember how to keep safe online in an age appropriate way. In KS2, we use Google's Be Internet Legends programme to help our older children with the key areas or 'pillars' of online safety. This assembly will give you the chance to understand more about this and give you valuable support with online safety for your child/children. Whilst the assembly is aimed at those with children in KS2, we warmly invite any parent to join using the link below. The assembly will be streamed live on YouTube at 9.30am on **Tuesday 28th November**. *The link will then remain available to watch later if you want to catch up at your leisure.*

https://youtube.com/live/1TZmvbIu8pg?feature=share

All our KS2 pupils will be watching the assembly live in school and will then be following it up in classes with a session on Google's Interland game which has been specifically developed to support the teaching and learning of online safety at KS2. You can find this here Play Interland - Be Internet Awesome

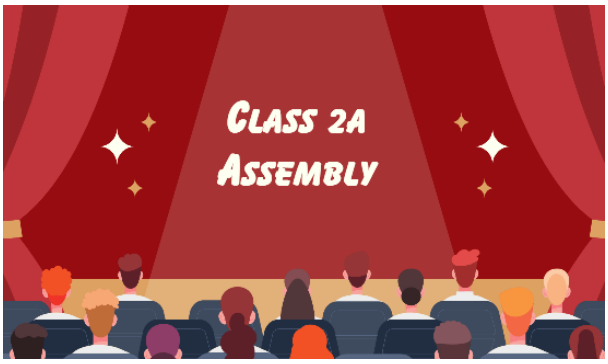
We really hope you can take part.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher.

Kind regards,

Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Carter - Computing Leads

Class 2a Assembly – *Thursday 30th November 2023 (booking essential)*



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Due to health and safety reasons relating to the number of people in the Hall we have to limit the number of guests for the assembly to two per child. To ensure that we set out the correct number of guest chairs on the day please complete/submit a booking form by midnight on Wednesday 29th November via this link 2A Assembly Form

We will not be issuing physical tickets as the booking form enables us to produce the guest list.

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School Clubs

School Clubs – Autumn Term 2023/24

Day:	Club:	Organiser:	Times of club:	Year Group:	Number of places:	Parents to collect from:
Monday	Recorder Club	Mr Phillips and Mrs Bennett	3.30-4.15pm	3/4 by invite	15	2d
	Running Club	Mrs Greentree and Mrs Stones	3:30pm-4:30pm	5/6	20	Reception
	Gardening (Foundation garden)	Mrs Broniewska and Miss Rose	3.30pm-4.15pm	1/2	8	Foundation
	Tag Rugby	Mr Fretwell	3.30-4.30pm	5/6		Main Reception
Tuesday	Year 6 Maths SATS Booster (2e)	Miss Dibley	8.15am	6	N/A	N/A
	Football Club	Mr Robinson/Mrs Stones	3.30-4.30pm	5/6	40	2e
	Board Games	Mrs Rathore/Mrs Nicholls	3.30pm-4.15pm	2/3	15	2c
	Choir	Mrs Oldfield	3.30pm- 4.15pm	All year groups	30	2f
	Gardening	Mrs Humphry, Miss Joynt, Mrs Hopewell	3.30-4.30pm	3-6	15	Foundation
	Performance Squad	Mrs Greentree	3:30pm-4:30pm	3/4	By Invitation	Reception
Wednesday	Boccia	Mrs Greentree	3:30pm-4:15pm	KS2	By Invitation	Reception
Thursday	Year 6 Reading SATS Booster (2f)	Mr Hewlett	8.15am	6	N/A	N/A
	Book Club	Mr Hewlett/Mrs Stones	3.30-4.30pm	F2-Y6	20	2f
	Performance Squad	Mrs Greentree	3:30pm-4:30pm	5/6	By Invitation	Reception
Friday	There are no after school clubs on a Friday					

*No need to book - just turn up

Please use the link below for more information about the wraparound care we offer at Arnold Mill.

Link to Wraparound Care Information

Change of Inset Day to 12th July 2024

Unfortunately, we are needing to reschedule the inset day from 5th July to 12th July due to problems with training bookings.

I attach a revised 2023-24 Academic Calendar for your information.

I sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2023-24
August 2023 to July 2024

Nottinghamshire County Council

2023/2024

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School Holidays | Public Holidays | Administration Day | Inset Day

Autumn Term
4 September - 20 October **7 weeks**
6 November - 22 December **7 weeks**

Spring Term
4 January - 9 February **5 weeks 2 days**
19 February - 29 March **5 weeks 4 days**

Summer Term
15 April - 24 May **5 weeks 4 days**
3 June - 26 July **8 weeks**

Dinner Menus w/c 20th November 2023

AUTUMN/WINTER 2023/24

WEEK 1

WEEK COMMENCING
September 18, October 9, October 30, November 20, December 11, January 1, January 22, February 12

MY SCHOOL MENU

TASTE of NATURE

Vegetarian meals are available upon request

	MAIN MEAL	DESSERT
MONDAY	Margherita pizza pommes noisette vegetable sticks Gluten Milk Soya	Mixed berry mousse & apple wedge OR Fruit Milk
TUESDAY	Spaghetti Bolognese garlic bread crunchy vegetables Gluten Milk Soya Fish Vegetable Quorn Bolognese	Fruit yoghurt OR Fruit Milk
WEDNESDAY	Southern style burger in a bun jacket wedges carrot sticks & ranch salad Gluten Egg Milk Sesame Meat free burger	Cornflake tart & custard OR Fruit Gluten Sulphur dioxide Milk
THURSDAY	Roast turkey & stuffing gravy roasted OR mashed potatoes cabbage & carrots Gluten Quorn roast	Cheese & crackers OR Fruit Gluten Milk
FRIDAY	MSC fish cake, jacket wedges, garden peas & crunchy veg tomato ketchup Gluten Fish Quorn nuggets	Apple muffin OR Fruit Gluten Egg

ALSO SERVED DAILY: Seasonal vegetables available daily, Ranch salad Egg .

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Calendar

November

Mon 20th - Postponed *F1am Visit to Arnold Library 9.30-10.30am*

Tues 21st - *Flu Vaccinations (F2-Y6)* (Link to info booklet) (Link to consent form)

Weds 22nd - *Year 5 & 6 Trip to the National Holocaust Centre* (see letter)

Thurs 23rd - *Class 1c Assembly with parents* (see letter)

Fri 24th - Postponed *Author visit for Foundation and KS1*

Fri 24th - *Class 1b Visit to Arnold Library 1.30-2.30pm*

Fri 24th - Non uniform day - chocolatey or bottle donation for the Christmas Fair (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Mon 27th - *Class F1pm Visit to Arnold Library 1.30-2.30pm*

Tues 28th - *Online Safety Assembly (see letter)*

Tues 28th Nov-Tues 5th Dec *Book fair* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Thurs 30th Nov - *Class 2a Assembly with parents* (see letter)

December

Fri 1st - *Christmas Fair* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Weds 6th - *Christmas Dinner Day* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Tues 12th - *Year 1 & 2 "Reading for Pleasure" Session 3.00-3.30pm* (see letter)

Tues 19th - *KS1 Nativity "Lights, Camel, Action!" 2.30pm* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Tues 19th - *Year 3/4 Christmas Party* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Weds 20th - *KS2 Performance at 2.30pm* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Weds 20th - *KS1 Christmas Party* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Thurs 21st - *Foundation Nativity "The Twinkly Nativity!" 9.45am or 2.25pm* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Fri 22nd - *Foundation Christmas Party* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Fri 22nd - *Year 5/6 Christmas Party* (see *Christmas Newsletter*)

Monday 25th December - Wednesday 3rd January - Christmas holidays

January

Thurs 4th - *Inset day - School Closed*

Fri 5th - *Inset day - School Closed*

Mon 8th - *Children return to school*

February

Fri 9th - *Year 1 & 2 "Reading for Pleasure" Session 9.00-9.30am* (see letter)

Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term

March

Tues 26th - *Year 1 & 2 "Reading for Pleasure" Session 9.00-9.30am* (see letter)

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

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*

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)*

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

3 - Click for important information about Strep A

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2023-24
August 2023 to July 2024

Nottinghamshire County Council

2023/2024

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School Holidays | Public Holidays | Administration Day | Inset Day

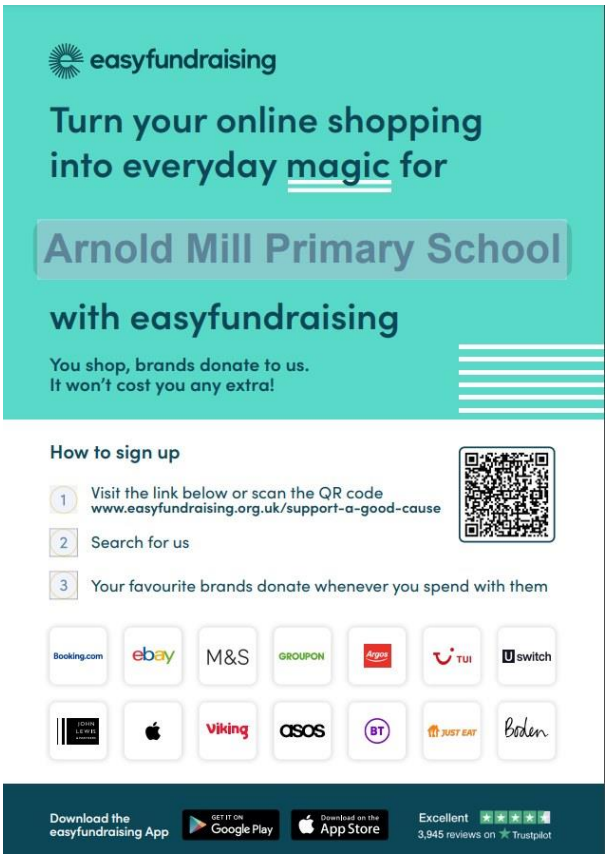
Autumn Term
4 September - 20 October **7 weeks**
6 November - 22 December **7 weeks**

Spring Term
4 January - 9 February **5 weeks 2 days**
19 February - 29 March **5 weeks 4 days**

Summer Term
15 April - 24 May **5 weeks 4 days**
3 June - 26 July **8 weeks**

4 - [Click here to see school policies]

5 - [Click link to visit ParentPay]



6 - [Click link to sign up to Easyfundraising]

7 - Link to Cost of Living Factsheet

8 - Link to information about the NHS Minor Ailment Scheme

9 - Link to information about how to deal with head lice

READING FOR PLEASURE

The Open University

Inspiring Reading

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

1. Talk about the reader's interests and inclinations - find connected texts that tempt to explore and discuss together.
2. 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.
5. 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).
7. 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

Childcare Choices

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

HM Government

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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