25th July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We made it! It has been a very long, hot half term, but we have made it to the end. We've been so busy in school, the time has flown by.

There has been so much to celebrate about the year including lots of lovely PTA organised events, residential visits and fabulous end of year results. We are already planning for the next academic year and hope its even better than this one.

Everything we do in school is only made possible with the support we get from parents, carers and the hard working staff. As the year draws to an end I want to say a massive THANK YOU to you all.

We have amazing children in school who make Arnold Mill a wonderful place to be. Visitors always comment on their outstanding behaviour and super manners. They have worked really hard this year and now deserve a well earned rest.

As we say goodbye to some of our lovely staff and all of our fabulous Year 6 children, I just want to say good luck to them all. I am really going to miss having them around, but know they will all go on to do wonderful things.

I hope you all have a super summer!

See you on September 3rd.

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Calendar

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2025-2026
August 2025 to July 2026

Nottinghamshire County Council

2025/2026

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School Holidays

Public Holidays

Administration Day
Monday 1st September

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

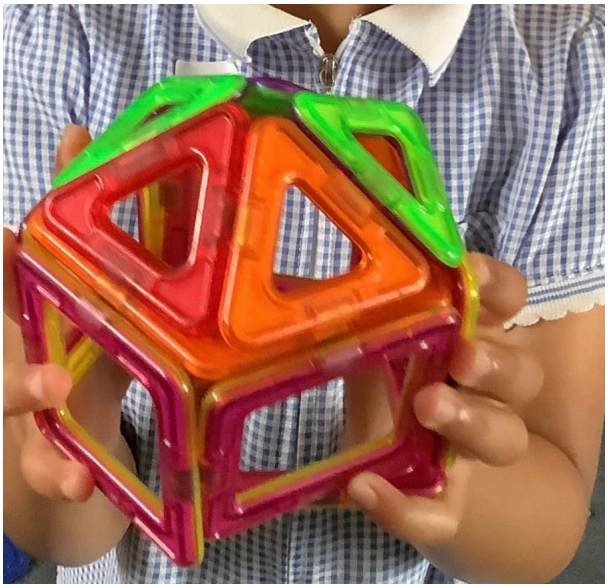
Spring Term
5 January - 13 February **6 weeks**
23 February - 27 March **5 weeks**

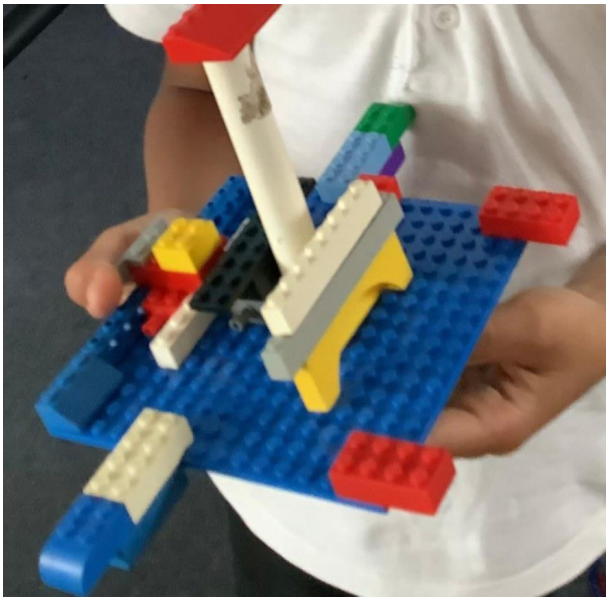
Summer Term
13 April - 22 May **5 weeks 4 days**
1 June - 27 July **8 weeks 1 day**

Inset Days

Tuesday 2nd September
Monday 5th January
Friday 3rd July
Monday 27th July

Children's work





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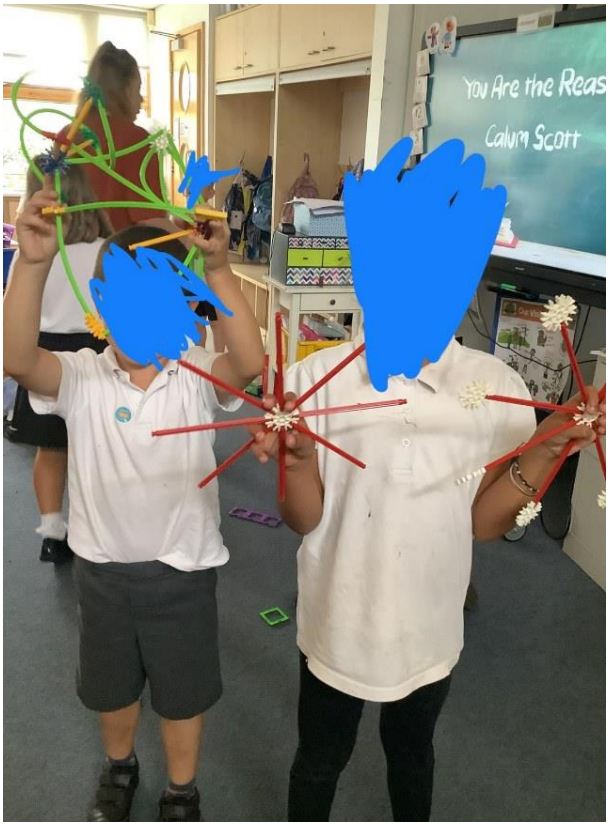
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URGENT – TRANSFER FROM PARENTPAY TO MCAS

From the end of term all payments will be moving from ParentPay to My Child at School (MCAS). Please note the points below to make this transition as smooth as possible:

Things we will be doing over the summer holidays:

- *Closing all payment items on ParentPay at the end of Friday 26th July 2025.*
- *Transfer all positive and negative balances over to MCAS over the summer holidays (this may take some time to appear on your account).*
- *If your child is leaving, we will arrange a refund of any balances.*
- *Send out an update once everything is running on MCAS. Please do not pay anything onto MCAS until you are given the go ahead from us (apart from for the Kingswood Residential and nursery lunchtime supervision fees, as these are already up and running).*

Please allow us some time to complete these tasks, as there's a lot of work involved.

THINGS WE ARE ASKING YOU TO DO:

- *Cancel any direct debits you have set up.*

- *If your child is leaving, please ensure you have settled any debts you currently owe on ParentPay – we will leave year 6 payments open on ParentPay until all debts have been settled.*

- *Contact office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk if you need an account set up on MCAS.*

- *If you currently hold money in your 'Parent Account Credit' on ParentPay, please withdraw this back to your bank account.*

An update from the PTA

Mobile Phone Policy - in force from September 2025

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*Use the link below to see the new mobile phone policy which will be in force from September 2025. This states that **CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BRING MOBILE PHONES INTO SCHOOL**. The reasons for this are set out within the policy.*

Link to Mobile Phone Policy

Smartphone Free Childhood

We have been asked to share a document to encourage a Smartphone Free Childhood. This can be read by using the link below:

Link to document

Inspire Library Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is produced by The Reading Agency *and delivered in partnership with libraries across the country. The Challenge, aimed at children aged 4 to 11 years, is to read six or more library books over the summer. There are stickers to collect and a medal and certificate when a child completes the Challenge.*

The 2025 Summer Reading Challenge is Story Garden. Story Garden celebrates nature and the great outdoors, exploring adventure, fantasy and the magical world of storytelling. The Challenge features artwork from illustrator Dapo Adeola, whose illustrations bring the Story Garden theme to life; creating an enchanting world where children can find magical creatures, plants and flowers to inspire their next reading adventure.

Internet and Digital Safety

We have been asked by Nottinghamshire Police to share the following information with parents:

Link to Online Security Checklist for parents

Link to Cyber Choices programme for parents

Community News

Notts County Foundation
EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT
SUMMER
FOOTBALL CAMPS
EFL
Early bird offer: £7.50 per child, per day*
*Until Mon 21st July 2025
Standard: £10 per child, per day
RUNNING EVERY WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS
BOOK NOW
OFFICIALSOCCERSCHOOLS.CO.UK/NOTTSCOUNTY
sportinclusion@nottscountyfoundation.org.uk
Portland Centre, Muskham Street, NG2 2HE

S4K
SPORT4KIDS
SUMMER CAMP
@ CARLTON FORUM LEISURE CENTRE
Ofsted REGISTERED
10AM-3PM
SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS OF DATES
USE CODE S4KEARLY15 FOR 15% OFF
VALID UNTIL 6th JULY 2025
SCAN ME
USE CODE S4KEARLY10 FOR 10% OFF
VALID UNTIL 20th JULY 2025
BOOK HERE!
5-13 YEARS
HAF FUNDED PLACES AVAILABLE!
BOOK HERE!
BOOKING OPENS ON THE 30th JUNE 2025
SCAN ME
sport4kids.biz/camps
0300 303 3866
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SPORT4KIDS
SUMMER CAMP
@ TRENT VALE INFANT& NURSERY SCHOOL
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SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS OF DATES
USE CODE S4KEARLY15 FOR 15% OFF
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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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