

15th November 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week, it was lovely to see all the children dressed up for Viking day and for Children in Need non school uniform day - we will keep you posted on how much we have raised.

We have a PTA meeting on Tuesday 19th November at 9.00am in the staffroom everyone welcome.

It is going to be a very busy time leading up to Christmas. To make sure you do not miss out on anything please keep checking your emails and the school website. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Calendar



November

Tue 19th - PTA Meeting link to poster

Weds 20th - 2D Library visit (Change of date)

Weds 20th - Year 3/4 - Stoneage Day (Link to letter)

Thurs 21st - Non- Uniform Day - donations for the Christmas Fair (Link to poster)

Thurs 21st - writing celebration assembly to parents (invitation only)

Mon 25th - Nicholas Emm (Poet) - Assembly and workshop for years 3&4 (Link to flyer)

Thurs 28th - 2A Assembly to parents (Link to letter)

Tues 26th - Flu immunisation team in school (Link to consent form)

Fri 29th - Deadline for Talent Assembly nominations (see letter)

Fri 29th - Christmas Fair (Link to poster)

Fri 29th - Arnold Mill Bakeoff Competition (Link to poster)

December

Tues 3rd - Guitar Assembly to parents (invites will be sent out by the guitar company)

Thurs 5th - Computing celebration assembly to parents

Tues 10th - Foundation 2 (F2a & F2b) Nativity (Link to letter)

Tues 10th - Book Bus in school (Details to follow)

Weds 11th - Talent Assembly (Link to letter)

Weds 11th - Christmas Dinner Day (Details to follow)

Thurs 12th - F1 Christmas Performance (Link to letter).

Tues 17th - KS1 (Years 1-2) Nativity (Link to letter)

Weds 18th KS2 (Years 3-6) Carol Concert (Link to letter).

Thu 19th - Foundation Stage (Nursery & F2) Christmas Party (Link to letter)

Thu 19th - KS1 (Years 1-2) Christmas Party (Link to letter)

Fri 20th - KS2 (Years 3-6) Christmas Party (Link to letter)

Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January - Christmas Holidays

January

Mon 6th - Pupils return to school for Spring Term

February

Monday 17th - Friday 21st February - Half Term Holidays

March

Thurs 6th - World Book Day

Fri 21st - Comic Relief/Red Nose Day

Tues 25th - Weds 26th - Year 4 Residential Lea Green Activity Centre (see letter)

April

Monday 7th - Monday 21st April - Easter Holidays

May

Mon 5th - May Day Bank holiday (school closed)

Monday 26th - Friday 30th May - Half Term Holidays

June

Fri 21st - Non- Uniform Day - donations for the Summer Fair

Fri 27th - Summer Fair

July

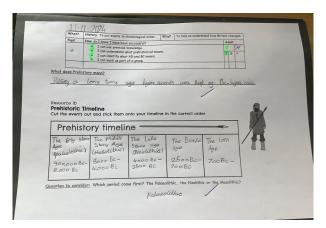
Fri 4th - Inset Day (School closed)

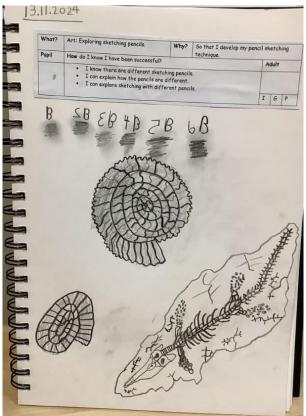
Thurs 10-Fri 11th - Year 2 Robin Hood Camp (Details to follow)

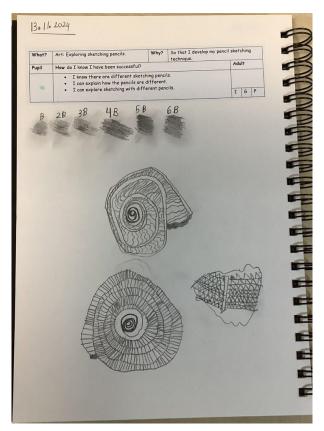
Fri 25th - Last day of term for children

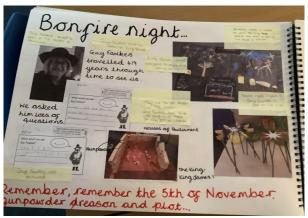
Mon 28th & Tues 29th - Inset Days (School closed)

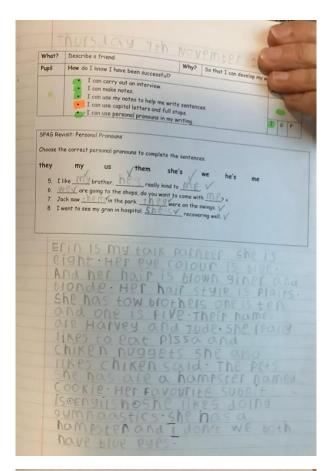
Children's Work

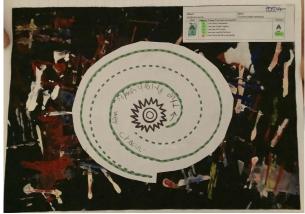


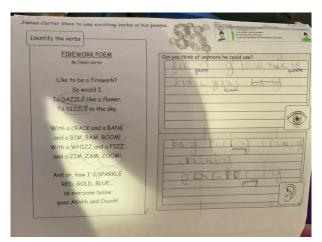






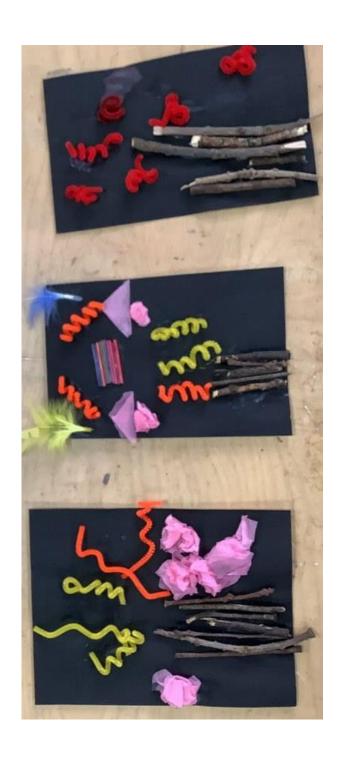












School Dinners: w/c 18th November 2024



Volunteers needed - Garden



We are looking for adult volunteers who can spare some of their time to help maintain our garden/allotment. If you are willing to spare an hour or 2 please contact the school office.

Talent Assembly: Wednesday 11th December (nominations open)



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 on Wednesday 11th December at 9.10am, 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 29th November to joldfield@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk We won't be able to include any nominations received after this date. There will be more opportunities to nominate over the following two terms.

Looking forward to celebrating with you.

Friends of Arnold Mill PTFA Group

We have some fantastic events planned over the coming weeks. Take a look at the posters below for more details:











Please Help with our Christmas Fair

Our annual Christmas Fair is a Community event and is particularly enjoyed by the Children. As always, there will be stalls, games, food, as well as fun activities for the Children and the ever popular 'Santa's Grotto'.

With only three weeks left until the Christmas Fair the time has Come to start asking for

We would appreciate donations of:

- raffle prizes
- pre-loved Christmas jumpers/pyjamas
- wrapping paper
- small items (sweets, stickers, pens, pens, penslis etc for Lucky Bag prizes)
 banners we could use each year to publicise the Christmas Fair (x 2)
- pre-loved books
- small prizes for stalls/tombolas

 $\textbf{Hampers} \cdot \text{We hope the Children in eaCh Class will help us fill hampers by Collecting and donating items so that the PTFA Can make them into Colourful hampers for a prizes in the$ Christmas Fair raffle on $29^{\rm th}$ November. In the spirit of friendly Competition, we are asking each class to bring in donations of different Colours to Contribute to the hampers. The Class with the biggest hamper wins a priZe! - see posters for more information.

If anyone has a ContaCt or an employer who would be generous enough to donate an item for the raffle we would be Very grateful.

Thank you in advance for your kind donations (a)

friendsofarnoldmill@arnoldmill.notts.sCh.uk

Sent on behalf of Friends of Arnold Mill PTFA

Christmas Fair - 29th November 2024 (3.3ophn - 5.0ophn) Christmas Fair Tokens 5op each/Raffle Tickets £1 a ticket

Avoid the queue purchase your tokens/raffle tickets Via ParehtPay in advance

















Internet and Digital Safety





Previously Published Articles

Parking Safely and Considerately

If dropping off or collecting your child by car, please drive and park safely:

- Be considerate of our neighbours and leave their driveways clear
- Do not park or stop where parking is prohibited during school drop off or pick up - yellow zigzags, double yellow lines & some single yellow lines
- Follow the highway code

Thank you for your support #roadsafety #community #drivesafely



We would ask again that you please park safely and considerately on roads around school when dropping off and collecting children from school. We have had a number of complaints recently from local residents regarding inconsiderate parking, with some people even being aggressive when challenged. Please use the links below to see what the guidance is. Please also note that the school car park is for staff and visitors only and should not be used by parents.

Link to Nottinghamshire County Council Parking Enforcement advice

<u>Link to Nottinghamshire Police - Parking Outside Schools Advice</u>

Applying for Reception Place for September 2025



If your child lives in Nottinghamshire and requires a Reception school place for September 2025, you must apply through Nottinghamshire County Council (applies to children who are five years old between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025).

The best way to apply is online at: https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/applying-for-a-school-place-september

Parents sometimes think that making only one preference will ensure that a place is allocated at that school, that is not the case, and it is very important that you apply on time and identify four preferences.

If your child attends Nursery at Arnold Mill Primary you will need to apply for a school place as you do NOT automatically get offered a school place.

Below you will find information about important dates and fact sheets.

For September 2025:

Apply from: 4 November 2024

Closing date: 15 January 2025

National Offer Day: 16 April 2025

Admission to reception factsheet



Helping your child with maths



Hello all,

After Parents Evening it has become apparent that there are a number of adults that would like to support their children further at home. For this reason we are exploring how we can best equip you with the resources and skills and would like to gather the thoughts of the school community. We would really appreciate if you could take a couple of minutes to complete this quick questionnaire (it will take no longer than 2 minutes).

Link to form

Thank you,

Mr Robinson and Miss Dibley - Team Maths

OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)



We would like to express a big thank you for your ongoing support with the introduction of OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) lunchtime at our school. We are delighted with the positive impact it is having so far and your support has been instrumental with this.

As we continue to expand OPAL, we are in need of more equipment to further enrich the play experience. Please see our new OPAL Bingo Card with examples of equipment that would support us going forward. As well as the below equipment we are always looking for scooters, helmets, material and skipping ropes.

The first class to complete their bingo card will receive an extra playtime. Please give any equipment to your child's class teacher or, if unsure, speak to the office.

Many Thanks,

Mr Hewlett, Mr Phillips-Alexander, Mrs Bullen, Mrs Tomlinson (The OPAL Play Team).





Flu Vaccinations



We have been asked to pass on the following message from the Immunisation Team to parents of children in F2-Year 6 (not nursery). If you have any queries, you should contact them direct using the contact details below.

Dear Parent/GuardianIf you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete an online consent form.

If you would like to decline, please complete a no consent form on the attached link. https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/cee0f635

The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on the 26.11.24. The link will close on the 11.11.24. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since Sept 2024, please disregard this message.

If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2.

Kind Regards

Nottinghamshire School Immunisation Service

Unit 2 East Bridgford Business Park, Kneeton Road East BridgfordNottingham, NG13 8PJ

Telephone: 0333 358 3397 opt 4 Immunisations.nottinghamshire@intrahealth.co.uk

www.intrahealth.co.uk/Nottswww.facebook.com/Notts

Car Park



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. Be aware that if you

Many thanks

A message from Carla Rose

CARLA ROSE COUNSELLING



Carlarosecounselling@gmail.com

I have worked as a Teaching Assistant at Arnold Mill for 12 years and in more recent years I have gained my level 4 Diploma in Counselling and have worked as School Counsellor

alongside my TA role. I have now decided to make counselling my sole career, but I will still be working very closely with Arnold Mill.

I will be available to carry out 1-1 private counselling, should you feel your child may need support and encouragement for any concerns that you, or they, may have. This could be for bereavement/loss, stress and anxiety or trauma; or you may just feel that talking to an independent Counsellor, other than a family member or friend, would benefit your child.

The sessions will be carried out in the Den where I have a dedicated counselling room which is a comfortable, safe environment, so your child can express their thoughts and feelings confidentially through creativity and talking, with no judgement.

I am very passionate about how important therapy is for children at a young age as this helps to set them up for a positive response to therapy later in life.

At present I'm available on Wednesday afternoons. Please don't hesitate to contact me at carlarosecounselling@amail.com should you require any advice, further information or details of the costs.

Kind Regards

Carla Rose - School counsellor

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.

PE Timetable

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



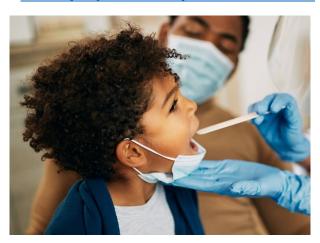




Greet your child with a smile and not a mobile!



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



2 - Click for important information about Strep A

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2024-25 August 2024 to July 2025

Nottinghamshire County Council





3 - Click here to see school policies



4 - Click link to visit ParentPay



5 - Click link to sign up to Easyfundraising



6 - Link to Cost of Living Factsheet





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.
 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

7 - <u>Link to Tax Free Childcare website</u>



- **0115 9667930** (option 1 to record a child's absence or option 2 to speak to a member of the admin team)
 - https://www.arnoldmillprimary.co.uk
 - https://www.facebook.com/arnoldmillofficial