



18th October 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a great half term; the children have loved our new behaviour rewards system and there is a real buzz of kindness around school. It's been so lovely hearing the children talk about all the Amps awards they have earned. They are keen to do their best and get recognised for being amazing.

This half term, we have to say a fond farewell to Mrs Richardson, our breakfast club and Middy supervisor. She has decided it is time to hang up her whistle and relax. We would all just like to wish her a very happy retirement and a big thank you for all she has done for our school. Enjoy a well earned rest!

Thank you for all your support this half term. We look forward to seeing you at all the events we have planned on the run up to Christmas.

Have a fabulous half term.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jackie Oldfield

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Calendar



Please use the links below for more information about each event

October

Mon 21st October - Friday 1st November - School Holidays

November

Tues 5th - Bonfire Night Lunch ([Link to poster](#))

Wed 6th - KS1 Disco ([See poster](#))

Wed 6th - Ice Cream Wednesday (Details to follow)

Thurs 7th - *Photographer in school for individual photos* ([Link to letter](#))

Fri 8th - *KS2 Disco* ([See poster](#)).

Fri 8th - *Ice Cream Friday* (Details to follow)

Mon 11th - *F2A/2D Library visit*

Mon 11th - *Remembrance Day special lunch* ([Link to poster](#))

Fri 8th - *KS2 Be Internet Legends Assembly by Google* ([Link to letter](#))

Tues 12th - *F2B/2E Library visit*

Weds 13th - *Year 5/6 Viking day* ([Link to letter](#))

Weds 13th - *Read Write Inc! information meeting*

Fri 15th - *Children in Need* (Details to follow)

Weds 20th - *2F Library visit*

Weds 20th - *Year 3/4 - Stoneage Day* ([Link to letter](#))

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

Thurs 28th - *2A Assembly to parents* ([Link to letter](#))

Tues 26th - *Flu immunisation team in school* ([Link to consent form](#))

Fri 29th - *Christmas Fair*

December

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 - *Christmas Dinner Day* (Details to follow)

Thurs 12th - *(provisional) Nursery Nativity* (Details to follow)

Tues 17th - KS1 (Years 1-2) Nativity ([Link to letter](#)).

Weds 18th (provisional) - KS2 (Years 3-6) Carol Concert (Details to follow)

Weds 18th (provisional) - LKS2 (Years 3&4) Christmas Party (Details to follow)

Thu 19th (provisional) - Foundation Stage (Nursery & F2) Christmas Party (Details to follow)

Thu 19th (provisional) - KS1 (Years 1-2) Christmas Party (Details to follow)

Fri 20th (provisional) - UKS2 (Years 5&6) Christmas Party (Details to follow)

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 27th - Summer Fair

July

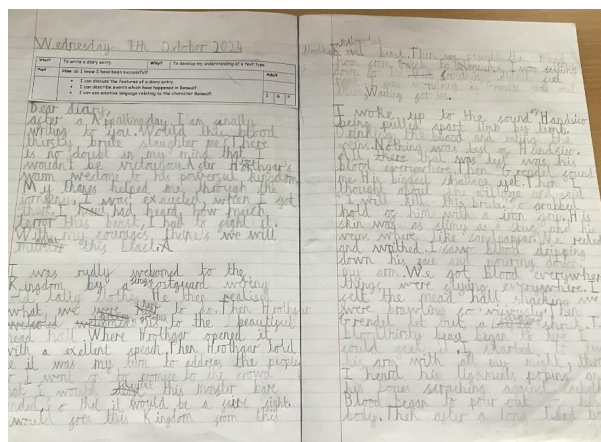
Fri 4th - *Inset Day* (School closed)

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





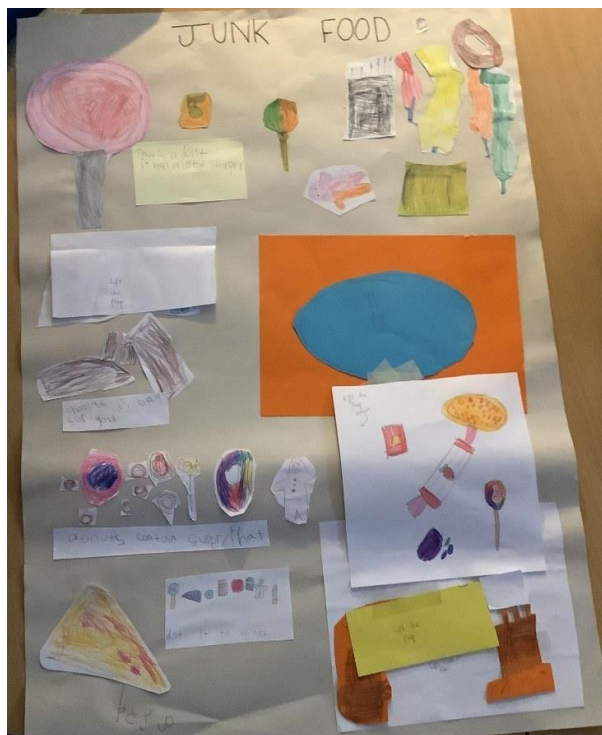


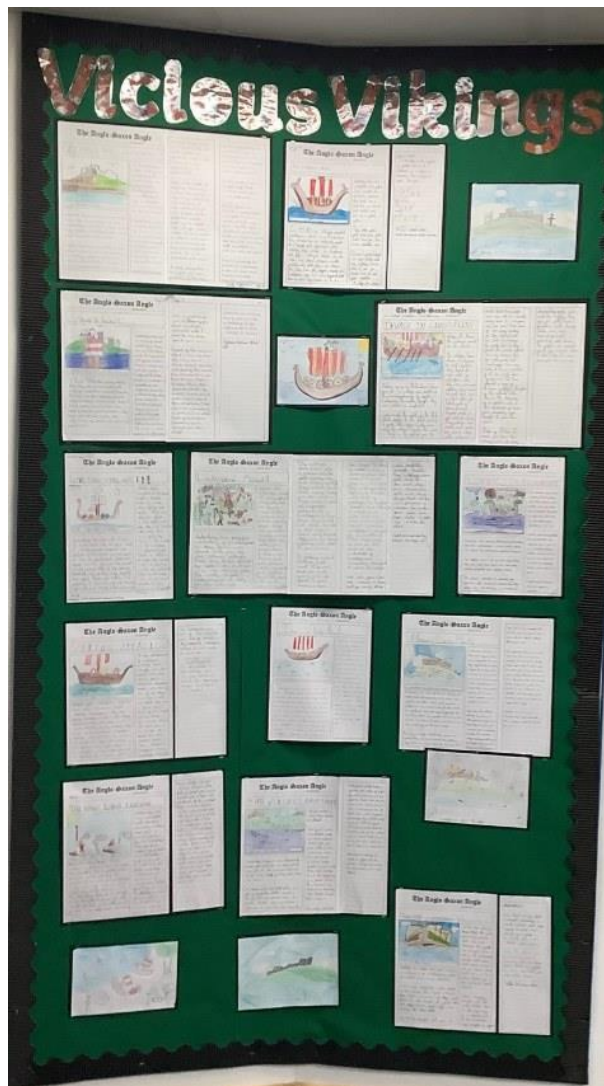
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What?	Learn about the Christian creation story.	Why?	To gain an understanding of creation stories and their significance in a variety of religions and cultures.
Pupil	How do I know I have been successful?	Adult	
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Where would you find the Christian creation story?

Use words and pictures to tell the Christian creation story in the grid. *Tanisis*





School Dinners: w/c 4th November 2024

4th Nov- change of menu

WEEK 1

w/c 4th November – replacement menu

All of our meals are prepared using freshly sourced products from the East Midlands. If you need to know more about the ingredients used, please ask.



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN	French bread pizza, Milk Gluten Sesame potato balls, sweetcorn Cobette	Bonfire Night Special Menu - See separate poster	Vegetable chilli with cheese Milk, mixed rice & nachos	Roast beef OR Roast Quorn Milk Egg, Yorkshire pudding, Milk Egg Gluten baby roast potatoes, green cabbage, sliced carrots & gravy	MSC fish portion, Fish Gluten oven chips, mushy peas & sweetcorn
OPTION 2			BYO Sandwich (Gluten Soya) Fillings: cheese Milk ham or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg vegetable sticks, crisps fruit or Frube yogurt Milk or pudding of the day	Jacket potato, cheese Milk, baked beans, tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed salad	BYO Sandwich (Gluten Soya) Fillings: cheese Milk ham or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg vegetable sticks, crisps fruit or Frube yogurt Milk or pudding of the day
PUDDING	Strawberry ice cream Milk		Jelly	Iced sprinkle cookie Gluten	Icky sticky sponge Milk Egg Gluten & cream Milk



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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).

Get ready to play... OPAL BINGO					
Cable reels 	Aprons 	Utensils 	Tyres 	Pop-up tents 	
Scrubbing brushes 	Sponges 	Pushchairs 	Pots and Pans 	Rollers 	
Toy figures 	Pallets 	Baking Trays 	Colanders 	Old Kettles 	
Toasters 	Washing up bowls 	Balls 	Plastic Pipes 	Old Vacuum Cleaners 	
Corrugated Pipes 	Cupboards 	Play Food 	Hats 	Miscellaneous Items 	

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

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](#)

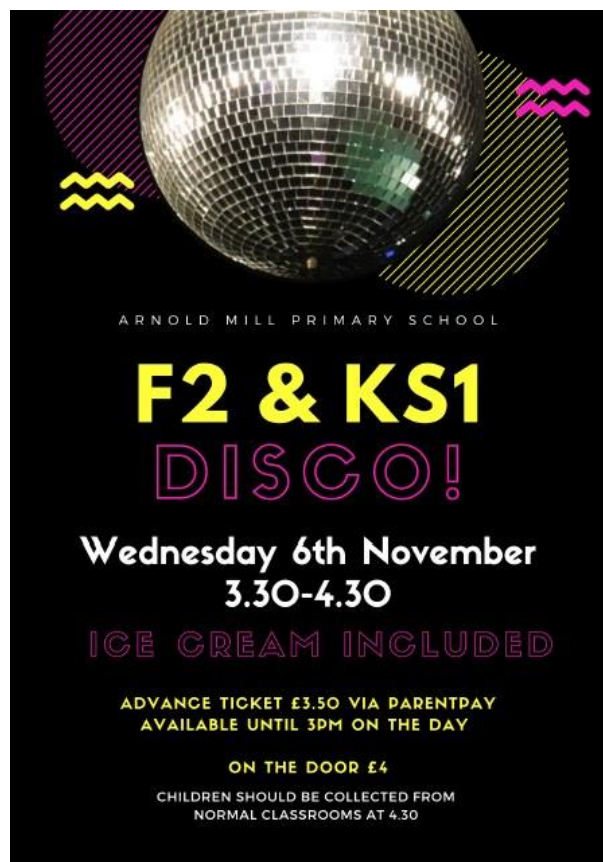
[Link to Nottinghamshire Police - Parking Outside Schools Advice](#)

Remembrance Day: *Monday 11th November*



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:







Internet and Digital Safety



As a school we have entered an international primary coding competition which is made up of several tasks throughout the year. The first task was to code a game which had to have an autumnal theme, a clear and a score. Our digital leaders worked really hard on their games and here are the links to three if you want to have a go.

Ella's game <https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/1079530472>

Georgia's game <https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/1079775107>

Malek's game <https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/1079532668>

We hope you enjoy them.



Secondary School Admission Applications: **Deadline 31st October 2024**



Secondary school applications are open for admission in September 2025, you need to apply to the County Council before 31 October 2024.

Applying online is quick and easy.

Parents sometimes think that selecting just one school will ensure that a place is allocated but that is not the case. It is important that you make use of all four preferences and apply on time for a better

chance of being offered a preferred school. Please check carefully the admissions criteria of each school you are considering because they are not all the same.

If there are no places available at your preferred school, an alternative offer may be made but this is not automatically the catchment or nearest school. Places will be offered at the next closest school with places available after all on-time applications have been processed. This may mean your child could be allocated to a school some distance from where you live.

Use the link below to apply and for more information on secondary school applications for September 2025.

If your home address is within Nottinghamshire County Council boundaries:

[Link to Nottinghamshire County Council Admissions](#)

If your home address is within Nottingham City Council boundaries:

[Link to Nottingham City Council Admissions](#)

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:

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- *Apply from: 4 November 2024*
 - *Closing date: 15 January 2025*
 - *National Offer Day: 16 April 2025*
 - [Admission to reception factsheet](#)
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Arnold Mill Primary School
Reception Open Days

Applying for a School place

If your child was born between 1 Sept 2020 and 31st Aug 2021 they will be starting reception in Primary School in Sept 2025.

The application process is managed by Nottinghamshire County Council and applications close on 15 Jan 2025. National offer day is 16 Apr 2025

17th October
14th November
5th December

9.15am – 9.35am

booking essential

to book please contact:
office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk
0115 966 7930

Illustrations include numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, letters A, B, C, and a row of colorful cartoon children at the bottom.

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

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/Guardian If 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 Bridgford Nottingham, NG13 8PJ

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

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

Half Term Activities



KIDS OCTOBER CLUB

Week A

DAY 1 – HARRY POTTER
WIZARD AND WITCHES, JUMP ON YOUR BROOM STICK AND FLY ON DOWN TO HOLIDAY CLUB. MIX UP SOME POTIONS, CAST SOME SPELLS AND TAKE PART IN THE TRIVISZARD TOURNAMENT.
COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE HARRY POTTER CHARACTER.

DAY 2 – CIRCUS DAY
ROLL UP, ROLL UP... LET US TAKE TO THE STAGE TO PERFORM IN THE TALENT SHOW. TRY FIRST-HAND SOME OF OUR FUN FAIR GAMES.

DAY 3 – WELLBEING MATTERS
COME TO HOLIDAY CLUB WEARING ODD SOCKS TO CELEBRATE WHAT MAKES US ALL UNIQUE AS WE LOOK TO SUPPORT CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AND ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2024.

DAY 4 – SPACE DAY
BLAST OFF INTO A DAY OF INTERGALACTIC ADVENTURES! CREATE YOUR OWN ALIEN SPECIES, EMBARK ON A MISSION TO MARS, AND LEARN FASCINATING FACTS ABOUT OUR SOLAR SYSTEM.

DAY 5 – DOCTOR WHO
STEP INTO THE TARDIS AND TRAVEL THROUGH TIME AND SPACE! SOLVE MYSTERIES, CREATE CHOCOLATE BAKERS, AND ENCOUNTER ALIEN SPECIES.

Week B

DAY 1 – MAD HATTER
IT'S TIME TO GO CRAZY ON BACKWARDS DAY. START THE DAY BY SAYING GOODBYE AND END THE DAY BY SAYING HELLO. WEAR YOUR CLOTHES BACK TO FRONT.

DAY 2 – GLOW IN THE DARK/FIREWORK
GET READY TO LIGHT UP THE DAY WITH GLOW SPORTS AND FIREWORK CRAFTS. DRESS IN YOUR BRIGHTEST, MOST LUMINOUS CLOTHES. MAKE SURE TO SHINE!

DAY 3 – DIWALI
LEARN ABOUT THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHT. STORYTELLING, RANGOLI PATTERNS AND CREATE YOUR OWN DEVA LAMP TO TAKE HOME.

DAY 4 – HALLOWEEN PARTY
JOIN US FOR A TROPIC SPORTS SPECTACULAR PARTY. FANCY DRESS, HALLOWEEN GAMES AND DISCO.

DAY 5 – UNDER THE SEA
DIVE INTO AN OCEAN OF FUN ACTIVITIES. START THE DAY WITH A TREASURE HUNT, SEARCHING FOR HIDDEN GEMS AND UNDERWATER CREATURES. PARTICIPATE IN MARINE-THMED CRAFTS, LIKE MAKING COLOURFUL FISH OR CREATING YOUR OWN UNDERWATER SCENE IN A BOTTLE.

***PLEASE NOTE FOR THIS ACTIVITY YOUR CHILD WILL NEED A 500ML EMPTY PLASTIC BOTTLE.

VENUE/WEEK COMMENCING	WC 21ST OCTOBER	WC 28TH OCTOBER
GREYTHORN	WEEK A	WEEK B
COLWICK ST JOHNS	WEEK B	
WILLOW FARM	OPEN THURS 24TH & FRI 25TH	WEEK A
WEST BRIDGFORD JUNIORS	WEEK A (MON-THURS ONLY)	WEEK B (MON-THURS ONLY)

magi/cbooking
8am til 5pm
£23.99 per child, per day
Book now at <https://tbsport.magibooking.co.uk>



The Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) supports the wellbeing of children between 5 and 16 years by providing a variety of activities and food during school holidays.

We offer activities and food for children who receive benefits-related free school meals during the spring (Easter), summer, autumn (October) and winter (Christmas) holidays across the county.

More details about HAF can be found here [\(link to HAF website\)](#)

Check if you are eligible here [\(link to free school meals application\)](#)

Previously Published Articles

Reading at Home



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to thank you for the incredible support you have shown in promoting a love for reading among our pupils. Your involvement has a profound impact on children's growth and development. To further support with reading at home we would like to remind you of our school policy. Please see below:

Reading at Home

Foundation stage

*Children in Foundation stage will choose a share at home picture book. Once the children are ready, they will also bring home a reading book that matches their phonic ability as well as a Read!Write! book. Their share at home and reading book will be changed on their book change day. The Read!Write! book will be changed on Friday. Please read with your child at least **three times a week** and sign their diaries so that they can work towards their reading pins. Reading could include bedtime stories as well as the books they bring home from school.*

Key Stage One

*Children in KS1 have two reading books. Their Read! Write! book and a share at home book. During the week they will have been learning to read their Read! Write! book so that they can read this to you with confidence and expression. Their share at home book is one you can read together. Both books will be changed on a Friday. Please read at least **three times a week**. When you have read with your child please write it in their diaries, then they can work towards their reading pins. We'd also love to know what you are reading for pleasure, so feel free to share that with us in their diaries as well.*

Key Stage Two

*Children in KS2 will be coming home with two books; one book is a book of their choice; the other is an allocated Banded Reading Book (chosen to stretch their reading ability, it will be easy to spot as it will have a bright, coloured sticker on the spine). The banded book is selected after a one-to-one assessment and plays a vital role in tailoring your child's reading experience, ensuring they are matched with appropriate content that aligns with their skill level. Please read the **banded book** with the sticker with your child for 5–10 minutes at least **three times** a week so that they can earn their reading pins (please also record this in their Reading Diary).*

The other book can be reading for pleasure at any other time and does not form part of our reward policy for reading.

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

Kind regards,

Shaun Hewlett - Deputy Head Teacher

Visits to Arnold Library

During the Autumn Term your child's class will be visiting Arnold library (dates listed below). They will be walking from school to the library. Your child will be given the opportunity to browse, borrow books and even share a story or two.

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 is not already a member of the library, could you please ask your child's class teacher, and we will give you a form to complete to return to school before the date of your child's class visit so that the library has time to process them. If your child already has a library card, could you please send it into school on the day of your child's class visit. Your child will then bring their card home along with their new book after their class has visited the library.

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

Thanks for all your support.

Shaun Hewlett - Deputy Head Teacher

Class	When	Time
2F	Wednesday 20 th November	10.30am-11.15am
2E	Tuesday 12 th November	1.30pm-2.30pm
2D	Monday 11 th November	1.30pm-2.30pm
2C	Monday 30 th September	1.30pm-2.30pm
2B	Wednesday 2 nd October	1.30pm-2.30pm
2A	Wednesday 16 th October	1.30pm-2.30pm
1C	Tuesday 1 st October	1.30pm-2.30pm
1B	Tuesday 8 th October	1.30pm-2.30pm
1A	TBC	TBC
F2A	Monday 11 th November	1.30pm-2.30pm
F2B	Tuesday 12 th November	1.30pm-2.30pm
F1	Wednesday 20 th November	10.30am-11.15am

SIMS Parent App



SIMS Parent is a useful way of staying up to date with things that are happening at school. You can also check your child's attendance and keep your address and phone numbers up to date. Everyone should have received an invite at some point but if you haven't had this, please email office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk to request a new invitation.

School Attendance: Government changes effective from 19th August 2024

Just a quick reminder that the new Government guidelines have now come into force introducing new measures to tackle the lower rates of attendance which have occurred since the Covid pandemic. Please see the poster and link below for more information. We will be issuing a new attendance policy in the Autumn term in line with this guidance.

[Link to Government Guidance](#)

PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

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FIRST OFFENCE

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

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SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after **19th August 2024**.

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THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

Please follow the link for the Publication that will start from 19th August 2024.
www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance

School Uniform

We have had a lot of parents ordering the new colour logo school uniform and it looks lovely. This will be available on an ongoing basis and can be ordered using this link [Link to online shop](#)

Check sizes before ordering - We have a small sample of uniform in the office if you want to check sizes. We would highly recommend you doing this before purchasing, as there have been some issues with regards sizing. Our suppliers are happy to exchange any ill-fitting items, as long as the items are unworn and still with labels attached.

We will also be keeping a small stock of book bags to purchase from the office for £7.95 (card payments only).



SPORTSTAR

Arnold Mill Branded Uniform

We have recently started working with a new uniform provider, Sportstar, who have provided our leavers' hoodies for many years. Our uniform will still also be available from Just Schoolwear in Arnold. However, the new uniform features a colour logo for the same price and the school receives a small commission for each item sold.



Reversible Jacket
£22.50



Fleece
£13.95



Sweatshirt
£10.95



Polo Shirt
£7.95



T-Shirt
£5.25



Book Bag
£7.95



Back Pack
£12.50



Lunch Bag
£10.00

Changes to the Behaviour Policy

I am writing to inform you of the changes we have made to our behaviour policy. These changes are part of our ongoing efforts to create a more positive and productive environment for all members of our community. The revised policy aims to promote respect, inclusivity, and accountability, aligning with our core values and commitment to 'Achieving together'. The key changes to the behaviour policy are as follows:

- 1. Children can now earn an 'AMPS Award'. Individual AMPS Awards will be given to children if they display any behaviour that reflects a value from the school vision. These are specifically for **personal achievements or personal growth** E.g. being respectful, showing creativity, looking out for others, taking responsibility for their own actions and having a go when things get tricky.*
- 2. House points will be given to children if they display any behaviour that reflects a value from the school vision. These are especially for behaviours that **support the whole school's wellbeing or environment**. E.g. being respectful, working as a team, believing in themselves and others and working with others when things get tricky.*
- 3. Shining Star awards will still be given weekly and linked to our school vision.*

4. An 'Arnold Mill Warning Card' will be given after all other avenues have been explored. A child will receive an Arnold Mill Warning Card if they break the school rules. The class teacher will contact you and discuss the behaviour we don't want repeating.
 5. If a child receives a second Arnold Mill Warning Card a member of the Senior Leadership Team will contact you.
 6. If a child receives a third Arnold Mill Warning Card a meeting will be set up in school with the Headteacher and an Individual Behaviour Plan will be created to support your child's educational needs.
 7. We are no longer using the star system, therefore children will no longer be working towards bronze, silver and gold stars.
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The more detailed policy can be found on our website ([link to policy](#)).

We have delivered an assembly with the children today and they are all very excited about earning the new rewards. We are very hopeful we won't have to go down the route of warning cards as most unwanted behaviour will be addressed before we get to this point.

Thanks for your continued support.

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@gmail.com should you require any advice, further information or details of the costs.

Kind Regards

Carla Rose - School counsellor

School Payments



Dear Parent/Carer

Just a polite reminder that School dinners, tuck, Arnie's Breakfast Club and Millie's After School Club should be paid in advance via your child's ParentPay Account.

TUCK - should be paid in advance. Please note that from now on children will not be able to order tuck unless their account is in credit (ie, topped up with sufficient funds to pay for the item of tuck item they wish to order.

SCHOOL DINNER - *should be paid in advance or on the day.*

ARNIE'S BREAKFAST CLUB – *should be paid for in advance or on the day (if you pay via childcare vouchers we understand that there can be a delay in the funding coming through once you have completed the necessary paperwork and notified the school office)*

MILLIE'S AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - *should be booked and paid for in advance or on the day (if you pay via childcare vouchers we understand that there can be a delay in the funding coming through once you have completed the necessary paperwork)*

I wanted to say a big thank you as the majority of our parents are supportive of our no debt stance and pay their bills promptly/in advance. This approach means we can effectively spend our budget on the children's education rather than paying for unnecessary debts incurred (the school has to pay for every meal/breakfast prepared by the kitchen, for staffing/oncosts for breakfast club and after school club along with admin time spent chasing payments).

It also means that we continue to have a positive working relationships our families; of course in extreme circumstances where a debt remains unpaid the school reserves the right to escalate to a debt collection service (and/or where the debt relates to school meals a parent/carer may be required to provide a packed lunch until the debt is cleared).

Free school meals (FSM) are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the qualifying benefits below:

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- *Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earning from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).*
 - [Income Support](#)
 - [Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance \(JSA\)](#)
 - *Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)*
 - *Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999*
 - *The guarantee element of Pension Credit*
 - [Child Tax Credit](#) *(with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190*
 - [Working Tax Credit](#) *run-on (paid for the four weeks after the person stops qualifying for Working Tax Credit)*
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We want to make sure as many eligible pupils as possible are claiming their free school meals. For more information please visit <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk> or telephone Nottinghamshire County Council on 0300 500 80 80 (you will need your personal details parent/carer national insurance number and date of birth along with the child's details in full, including their date of birth and the school they attend).

All pupils in reception, year 1, and year 2 are entitled to Universal infant free school meals (UIFSM), this is different to FSM so if you met the above criteria to claim for Free School Meals we would be grateful if you still apply for the funding as (a) it helps the school access additional funding streams (b) you will not automatically receive Free School Meals when your child moves to Year 3.

Kind Regards

Mrs Oldfield

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. We have also had complaints from people living on Galway Road as people have been parking over dropped curbs and blocking driveways.

*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 **staff only** and should not be used for dropping off and picking up. This includes at breakfast club and after school clubs.
Thank you



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)*

WRAPAROUND CARE AT ARNOLD MILL



ARNIE'S BREAKFAST CLUB
DAILY FROM 7.45AM

£3.25 per session - food included

No need to book - just turn up (please ensure you keep your ParentPay account up to date*)

Is included as part of our nursery 30 hour childcare provision.



MILLIE'S AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

DAILY FROM 3.30-6.00PM

£12 per session - light tea provided

Must be booked and paid for in advance via ParentPay*. Cut off time for booking 12noon on the day.

*Payment accepted for both clubs via Government Tax Free Childcare along with other schemes (Please inform us if you wish to pay via any of these schemes)

☎ 0115 966 7930 during school hours

☎ 07*** during school hours

✉ office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk



GEDLING BOROUGH AIR NEEDS YOUR CARE



What are the health impacts

Air pollution from idling cars can lead to:

- Increased chance of developing lung cancer
- Increased risk of heart disease
- Increase in asthma, coughs and bronchitis

Children

Children are the most at risk because they:

- Have smaller lungs and breathe more rapidly
- Spend more time outdoors
- Tend to be more active and breathe more deeply

How it affects you and others

Excessive idling is a waste of fuel and money, resulting in an unnecessary negative environmental impact.

People inside cars are exposed to high levels of air pollution, with children especially at risk of harmful effects.

Nottinghamshire's air pollution contributes to hundreds of premature deaths each year.



Don't sit there idle

Keeping the engine running while stuck in traffic or waiting to collect someone pollutes the air we breathe.

It's up to all of us

Drivers in Gedling Borough can make some simple changes to improve air quality in the Borough. Most pollution comes from vehicles and idling produces unnecessary air pollution and wastes fuel.

Schools, hospitals and bus stops in particular are hot spots, as:

- Idling is more likely to happen in these locations

- They have sensitive age groups, such as children and older people.



Switch off when waiting or stuck in a jam.

Switch to cycling or walking for local trips.

Switch to a bus or train when you can for longer journeys

You can find out more about air quality by visiting Gedling Borough's air quality webpage below:
www.gedling.gov.uk/resident/environmentalhealth/airpollutionmonitoringandreporting/







**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](#)

www.parentpay.com

Pay online....
for peace of mind

Trips, School Meals,
Breakfast Club, Tuck

A convenient way to pay


Paying online gives you peace of mind that comes with knowing your money reaches school safely.

Step 1 - Have your activation letter ready, these will be sent via email


Step 2 - Login at www.parentpay.com

Step 3 - Follow the instructions in your activation letter to activate your account

Step 4 - Select 'Pay for items'



4 - [Click link to visit ParentPay](http://www.parentpay.com)



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

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5 - [Click link to sign up to Easyfundraising](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause)



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?

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/>

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Childcare Choices

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





HM Government

Find out more at
childcarechoices.gov.uk

7 - [Link to Tax Free Childcare website](#)



 office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk

 **0115 9667930** (option 1 to record a child's absence or option 4 to speak to a member of the admin team)

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