



19th September 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

The Year 5/6 had a great trip to Kingswood. Thank you to the staff who took the children, these trips couldn't go ahead without them giving up their own time to take them.

Thank you to all the parents who came to the Year 1 Maths morning this week. It was really well attended and those I spoke to felt it was very helpful. Mr Robinson is hosting another event for Year 2 parents on Wednesday 24th September.

It is Year 5/6 WWII evacuation day on Monday and Year 1-6 Rock Stars day on Tuesday, next week. We're really looking forward to seeing the children's outfits.

Just a little reminder- some children still don't have wellies in school. Please can you get them in as soon as possible. Without Wellies the children can't play on the grass and so playtimes aren't as much fun.

Have a great weekend!

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher

Calendar



September

Mon 22nd - Y5/6 Evacuaton Day ([Link to letter](#))

Tues 23rd - Maths Rockstar and Number Day for year 1-6 (non uniform) ([Link to letter](#))

Weds 24th - Maths Parent Workshop Day (year 2) ([Link to letter](#))

Fri 26th - OPAL Parent Play Session ([Link to letter](#))

Mon 29th - 2B Visit to Arnold Library

October

Weds 1st - Phonics meeting for Foundation parents ([Link to letter](#))

Weds 1st - 2A Visit to Arnold Library

Tues 7th - 1A Visit to Arnold Library

Weds 8th - *2C Visit to Arnold Library*

Weds 8th - *KS1 Disco (provisional)*

Thurs 9th - *Y5 Harvest Assembly* ([Link to poster](#))

Thurs 9th and Fri 10th - *Y5&6 Group 1 Level 1 & 2 Bikeability* (fully booked - applications closed June 2025)

Thurs 9th - *KS2 Disco (provisional)*

Fri 10th - PTFA Meeting 9.00am - 9.30am

Mon 13th - *Y3&4 Group 1 Level Bikeability* (fully booked - applications closed June 2025)

Mon 13th - *Y3&4 Group 2 Level Bikeability* (fully booked - applications closed June 2025)

Tues 14th - *1B Visit to Arnold Library*

Tues 14th - *Parents' Evening*

Weds 15th - *Parents' Evening*

Thurs 16th - *Friends of Arnold Mill Golden Pumpkin Hunt (details to follow)*

Thurs 16th and Fri 17th - *Y5 Group 2 Level 1 & 2 Bikeability* (fully booked - applications closed June 2025)

Thurs 16th - *2c Parents' Evening*

Mon 20th - Fri 31st school closed for Half Term break

November

Thurs 6 - *School photo's (individual and family)*

Mon 10th - *2D Visit to Arnold Library*

Tues 11th - *F2b & 2E Visit to Arnold Library*

Weds 19th - *F2A & 2F Visit to Arnold Library*

Fri 14th - *Children in Need Day*

Fri 21st - *Non-Uniform Day (Christmas Fair Donations)*

Tues 25th - *Writing Assembly (invitation only) (provisional)*

Weds 26th - *Y5&6 visit to The Holocaust Museum (provisional)*

Thurs 27th - *2A Assembly with parents/carers (provisional)*

Fri 28th - *Christmas Fair*

December

Tues 2nd - *Talent Assembly (provisional)*

Thurs 4th - *Computing Assembly (provisional)*

Tues 9th - *Foundation Nativity (booking essential - provisional)*

Tues 16th - *KS1 Nativity (booking essential - provisional)*

Weds 17th - *KS2 Carol Concert (provisional)*

Mon 22nd - Fri 2nd Jan school closed for Christmas Break

January

Mon 5th - *INSET Day*

Thurs 22nd - *1A Assembly with parents/carers (provisional)*

Thurs 29th - *2B Assembly with parents/carers* (provisional)

February

Tues 10th - *Parents' Evening* (provisional)

Weds 11th - *Parents' Eve* (provisional)

Mon 16th - Fri 20th - School closed for Half Term Break

March

Thurs 5th - *World Book Day*

Thurs 19th - *Talent Assembly* (invitation only) (provisional)

Tues 24th - Wed 25th - *Y4 Lea Green Residential*

Thurs 26th - *Science Assembly* (invitation only) (provisional)

Fri 30th - Mon 10th Apr School closed for Half Term Break

April

Thurs 16th - *Year 3&4 Egyptian Day*

Tues 21st - *Y5 DAaRT Graduation with parents* (invitation only/booking essential) provisional

Thurs 30th - *1B Assembly with parents/carers* (provisional)

May

Mon 4th - *Bank Holiday*

Thurs 7th - *2c Assembly with parents/carers* (provisional)

Mon 11th - *Y6 SATS week*

Thurs 21st - *Sponsored Well-being Day* (provisional)

Fri 22nd - *Sponsored Well-being Day* (provisional)

Mon 25th - Fri 29th School closed for Half Term Break

June

Thurs 11th - *1C Assembly with parents/carers* (provisional)

Weds 10th - *School photo's* (class)

Fri 12th - *Now Hear This!* (provisional)

Fri 19th - *Non-Uniform Day* (Summer Fair Donations)

Fri 26th - *Summer Fair*

July

Thurs 2nd - *Art Assembly* (invitation only) (provisional)

Fri 3rd - *INSET Day*

Thurs 9th - *Talent Assembly* (invitation only) (provisional)


Weds 15th - *F1 Learning Journey Celebration with parents/carers* (invitation only/booking essential) (provisional)

Thurs 16th - *F2 Learning Journey Celebration with parents/carers* (invitation only/booking essential) (provisional)

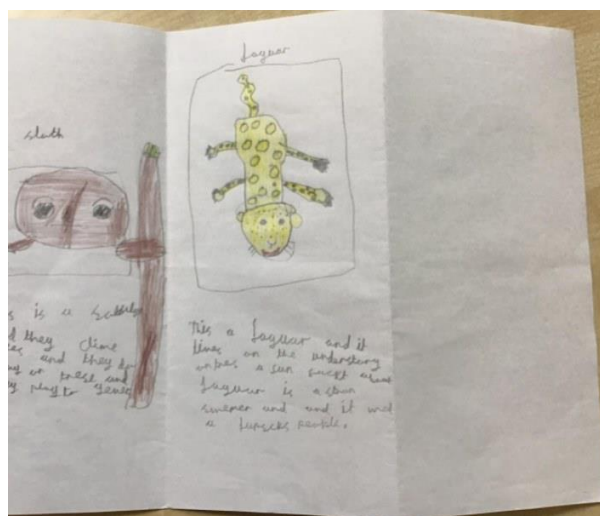
Thurs 16th - Fri 17th - *Year 2 Robin Hood Camp Residential*

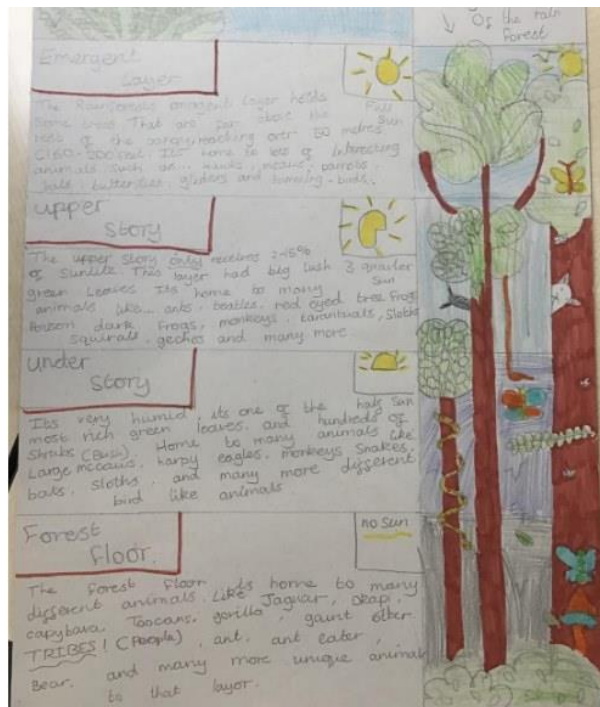
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Fri 24th - *Y6 Leavers Assembly with parents/carers* (booking essential) (provisional)

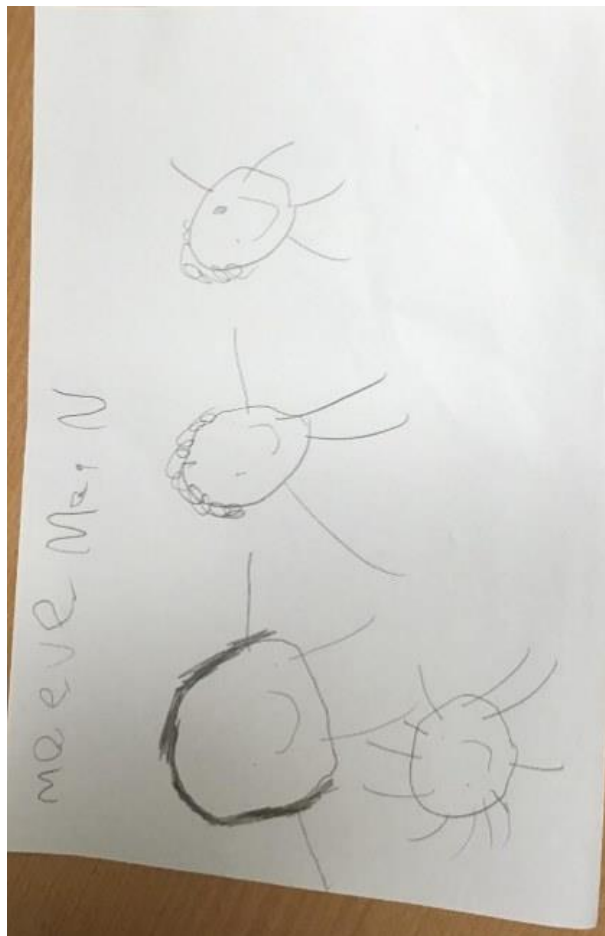
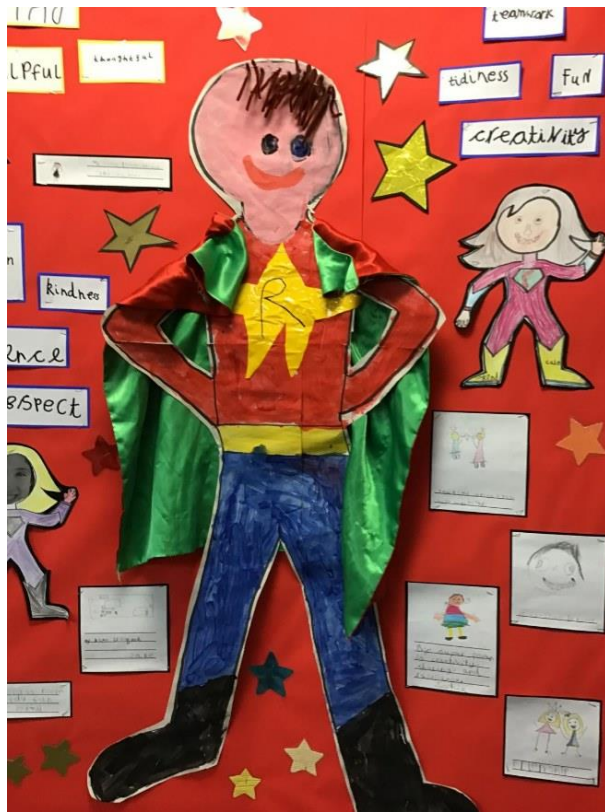
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Children's work











Dinner Menus - Week 1



My School Menu

Spring/Summer 2025

Week 1

Week commencing
 21 April, 12 May,
 2 June, 23 June,
 14 July,
 1 Sept, 22 Sept,
 13 October

Beef burger

Wednesdays

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Vegetarian roll Soya Milk Gluten with baked beans, jacket wedges & sweetcorn	BBQ chicken Chick with roasted new potatoes, broccoli & carrots	Beef burger Egg Sesame Gluten Sulphur Dioxide with oven chips, baked beans & peas	Yorkshire pudding wrap Milk Egg Gluten filled with roast meat of the day roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables & gravy	Breaded fish Fish Gluten with crushed new potatoes, sweetcorn & peas
Option 2	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or 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	Jacket potato served with your choice of: cheese Milk, baked beans or tuna mayonnaise Fish Egg & mixed Salad		
Pudding	Honey & oat cookie Gluten	Chocolate muffin Egg Gluten	Ice cream tub Milk	Cornflake tart Gluten Sulphur Dioxide with custard Milk	Chocolate brownie Gluten



**Nottinghamshire
County Council**

School Clubs - Clubs start next week and run for 4 weeks



*Places have now been allocated for this term's clubs and emails have been sent to parents.
You can also see this on MCAS 'Before and After School Clubs' 'Enrolled'.*

School Clubs – Autumn Term 2025-26
 Dates: Half Term 1: 4 weeks from w/c 22nd Sept – w/c 18th Oct
 Half Term 2: 4 weeks from w/c 10th Nov – w/c 1st Dec

Day	Club	Organiser	Times of club	Year Group	Number of places/ways to take part	Parents to collect from
Monday	Y5/6 Boys' Football Club (running up until half term due to the dark nights)	Mr Henelett	3.30-4.30pm	Y5/6	30	2C
	Tag Rugby	Mrs Greentree	3.30-4.30pm	Y 5/6	25	Entrance
	Choir	Mrs Oldfield	3.30-4.15pm	Y1-6	30	2c
Tuesday	KS2 Girls' Football	Mr Robinson	3.30-4.30pm	Y3-6	30	2F
	Gardening Club (£1 per week payable in advance once place has been confirmed)	Mrs Hopewell, Mrs Carter, Mrs Humphrey and Miss Newton	3.30-4.30pm	Y3-6	10	F2B
	Year 6 SATs Maths booster	Miss Tibbley	8.15-8.50am	Y6 only	All welcome.	Drop off to 2F.
	Gymnastics	Mrs Greentree	3.30-4.15pm	Y2	20	Entrance
Wednesday	Ball Games (SEND)	Mrs Greentree	3.30-4.15pm	PI evaluation		
Thursday	Year 6 SATs English booster	Mr Phillips-Alexander	8.15-8.50am	Y6 only	All welcome.	Drop off to 2E.
	Mindful colouring	Mrs Bennett	3.30-4.15pm	Y1/2	15	2E
	Book Club	Mrs Stones/Mrs Gibbs	3.30-4.15pm	Y1-4	15	2F
	Running Club	Mrs Greentree	3.30-4.15pm	Y4-6	30	Entrance
Friday	There are no after school clubs on a Friday					

Harvest Festival Plea for Donations



Harvest appeal



Help support your food bank this Harvest

Arnold Foodbank is currently providing over 250 food parcels a month for local individuals and families facing hardships, including homelessness and debt.

Donate food



Donate an item or two from our shopping list, ensuring we can provide food for people facing hardship in your community.

Donate money



Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects.

Shopping list

Tinned meat/fish
Tinned veg/fruit (not pulses)
Tomatoes/pasta sauce
Coffee (100g)/teabags (40s)
Milk (UHT or powdered)
Soup – tinned or packet
Squash/Fruit juice
Tinned pudding
Jam/spreads
Tinned/mashed potato
Rice/Noodles
Treats eg Chocolate/snacks

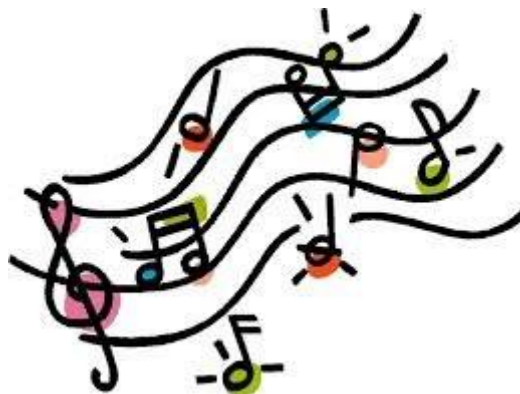
arnold.foodbank.org.uk
07854 690694

Registered Charity in England & Wales (1170229)

Previously Seen Articles



Key Stage 2 Music Lessons



Children in Key Stage 2 have the opportunity to take music lessons (piano and guitar).

Piano lesson slots are currently fully booked but should spaces become available we will advise parents. There are, however, a limited number of guitar lesson slots) that are being offered to children in class 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d, 2e and 2f.

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- *Lessons are ongoing throughout the school year.*
 - *Lessons take place during the school day (your child will miss part of a regular lesson, break or lunchtime).*
 - *Fees paid directly to the external music provider (in advance), not to the school.*
 - *Pupils may only sign up for one music lesson during school time.*
 - *Children that signed up for guitar or piano in the last academic year will be able to continue if they wish.*
 - *Please note that places are limited so we cannot guarantee your child will be successful should they apply for lessons*
 - *Each weekly lesson will be 30 minutes long (guitar is on a Tuesday).*
 - *Guitar Lessons are £22.95 per calendar month .*
 - *Students may borrow a guitar.*
 - *If you have any questions about guitar lessons, please email admin@wecreatemusic.co.uk*
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If your child is interested in signing up for a guitar lessons taster please ask the school office for a sign up flyer (we will pass all completed forms to the relevant music provider).

*Don't forget, if your child already learns an instrument at school please **do not** sign your child up for another instrument .*

Many thanks,

Mr Phillips-Alexander - music coordinator

Primrose is raising money for The Little Princess Trust



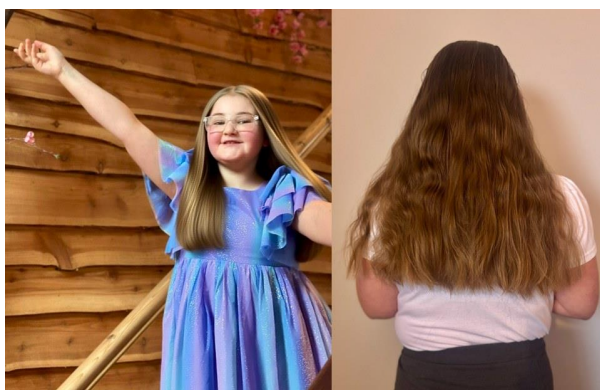
Primrose, a pupil at our school, will be having the majority of her hair cut off to donate to The Little Princess Trust.

The Little Princess Trust provides wigs to children to help restore their confidence and identity.

All costs, including the making, fitting, and styling of the wig, are met by the charity, and this free service is available to any young person up to the age of 24 with hair loss.

As part of its 'Hair and Hope' mission, The Little Princess Trust also funds childhood cancer research aiming to find kinder and more effective treatments.

[Link to fundraising page](#)



Lost Property



*Sadly, as a school we generate **LOTS** of lost property. To try and reduce the amount of lost property this academic year we are asking parents to:*

- ensure that your child doesn't bring toys and/or valuable items or things that are not needed for school.*
 - please ensure that **ALL** items are labelled clearly with your child's name. This includes uniform, shoes, coats, lunch boxes, school bags and P.E. kit etc.*
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Lost Property boxes are located in each classroom and near the school office.

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- *If an item is found, we will check to see if it is labelled and return it to the correct person where possible. If the item is not labelled, it will be placed in our lost property box.*
 - *Any unclaimed items of lost property will be disposed of at the end of each term, donated to charity or offered for sale as pre-loved.*
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1 - Sadly this was the lost property pile from the last eight weeks of the summer term. These items have now been disposed of/donated.

Unclaimed, un-named coats etc



2 - Unclaimed, un-named coats



3 - Unclaimed, un-named coats



4 - Unclaimed, un-named coats



5 - Unclaimed, un-named coats

Mobile Phone Policy - Now in force



*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](#)

What's New with MCAS

Move from ParentPay to MCAS for all school payments and bookings



Please ensure you read the document below carefully, as there have been a lot of changes with the way parents pay and order things.

[Link to School Payments Update \(PDF document\)](#)

The key points are:

- **NEW** Parents need to order tuck in advance using MCAS and toast is now the only option for tuck. **Children will not be given tuck unless it has been ordered on MCAS.**
 - **NEW** You now need to book into Arnie's Breakfast Club (the paid club) using MCAS
 - **NEW** Please book into Millie's After School Clubs using MCAS
 - Please book into the 30-minute free breakfast club using MCAS
 - School meal balances should now be paid onto MCAS.
 - All trips will now be payable via MCAS.
 - ParentPay is no longer being used for anything.
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**Have you booked your
wraparound care for this week?**



**If you are wishing your child to stay for the
following wraparound care, this needs to be
booked and paid for via MCAS:**

- 30-minute free breakfast club
- Arnie's paid breakfast club (7.45-9.00am
(£3.50 per session)
- Millie's Afterschool Club until 4.30pm
(£5.00 per session)
- Millie's Afterschool Club until 6.00pm
(£12.00 per session - includes light tea)

Parental Consent for Local Educational Visits



As we are about to start a new school year, we need parents to give consent to their child(ren) to take part in local educational visits. These are visits where the children can walk from school, e.g. to the library, local park etc. We will request separate consent for all other trips. You can easily give consent to this via the MCAS app by selecting Parental Consent.





Whilst on the app, please check that you have given consent to all the other categories listed.

Please let us know if you require any consent to be withdrawn for anything, e.g. photo consent, as this has to be carried out by the school office.

Are you eligible for Free School Meals?

IT'S MORE THAN A FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATION

Did you know that free school meal applications assist in so much more than just free meals? Take a look!

 Free School Meals Free school meals guaranteed until parent's eligibility ceases	 Extra School Funding School will receive Pupil Premium funding for every child entitled to free school meals - even if parent's eligibility ceases
 Free School Milk Children will be eligible for free milk throughout primary school (universal entitlement ends at age 5) or until parent's eligibility ceases	 Access to HAF Access to Holiday and Food Programme, giving free activities during school holidays

Important Policies



Here are a few policies which we would like to highlight:

[Parental Code of Conduct](#)

[Behaviour Policy](#)

[Attendance Policy](#)

[Mobile Phone Policy](#)

All other policies can be found here:

[Link to Policies page on website](#)

The School 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.

Many thanks



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 (please ensure you have PE kit in school) and Tuesday (please come in PE kit)*

2B: *Tuesday (please come in PE kit) and Thursday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)*

2C: *Tuesday (please come in PE kit) and Friday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)*

2D: *Monday (please ensure you have PE kit in school) and Thursday (please come in PE kit)*

2E: *Thursday (please come in PE kit) and Friday (please ensure you have PE kit in school)*

2F: Tuesday (please ensure you have PE kit in school) and Thursday (please come in PE kit)



 office@arnoldmill.notts.sch.uk

 **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>

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