

Foxwood Newsletter

July 2025

Well, that's another academic year done and dusted. Firstly, let me say well done and good luck to all of our leavers. Many of them have spent the majority of their school years with us, and it's genuinely sad to see them go. It's been a pleasure and an honour to watch them grow, and as they leave, they always take a small part of us with them. We wish them all the very best for what is hopefully an exciting future.

We also say farewell to Joanna and Lee, who have been covering for us in 14–19. I'm confident we'll see them again soon; they have been very much a part of Foxwood and will hopefully be part of things in the future. It's also farewell to Daniel Lee who will be moving over to John Clifford, another WHP school in Beeston.

We wish Julie Malkinson our best wishes as she retires from Foxwood after 24 years of dedication. Julie has played a vital part in the administration of the Academy for many years and she will be greatly missed.

Thank you to parents and carers for sticking with us and with your children when things get tough. Having these amazing children puts us all through our paces at times, but it's always worth it. I assure you that working with children and young people with additional needs remains the best-kept secret in education—and we love it.

Please remember: Term starts for Primary (Years 1-6) on Wednesday 3rd September 2025

Term starts for KS3 & 14-19 (Years 7-13) on Thursday 4th September 2025

With that, we wish you a restful summer holiday.

James Hutchinson Headteacher

Squirrels

Squirrels have had a great summer term, learning all about France and the rainforest. We finished the year off in style, with a trip to the cinema and Twycross Zoo!





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This term, 3S has been busy with a range of exciting activities and experiences. One of the highlights was a trip to Cadbury World, where pupils enjoyed an immersive 4D film experience and, of course, indulged in plenty of delicious chocolate!

As a special end-of-term treat, the class visited the Sherwin Arms, where each student had the fun (and responsibility) of ordering their own meal—a great chance to practise independence and enjoy a lovely outing together.

To celebrate all their hard work this year, there was a KS3 party with food, music, face painting and a bubble machine!







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Well done on a brilliant end to your first year in 30! You've grown in confidence, developed your independence, and made fantastic progress in your learning. It's been lovely to see you form strong friendships and really flourish this year.

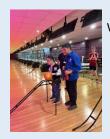
We are so proud of everything you've achieved—well done!



Discovery

To celebrate the end of the school year, Discovery went bowling! We all had a great time having two bowling teams cheering each other on, keeping all toes in tact!





When it was time for lunch we had a picnic on the park, luckily staying dry long enough not to have soggy sandwiches!

3X

3X have had a brilliant year this year! From community trips to learning all about Italy, the Mayans and Space they have truly smashed it and enjoyed every moment. They especially enjoyed their end of year trip to the zoo. Well done for such a fantastic year!



Enterprise

This term, Enterprise has been exploring the topic of money in maths, learning about the value of coins, how much we need to pay for items. Alongside our classroom learning, we've had lots of fun taking part in outdoor activities, having a picnic, and going on visits to the shops, the park, and even bowling!



Foxcubs



Foxcubs' have continued to go from strength to strength this term! We have been creating some lovely transient art



arrangements linked to the seaside! I have also been so impressed with the progress they have made in swimming and how grown up they all were on our school trips!

Atlantis

Well done on an amazing year Atlantis class!

We're sad to say goodbye to some of our class this year who are leaving but excited for you too.....Wishing you all the best.

To celebrate the hard work through the year from all the class we went bowling, cooked



a meal together and had a cinema experience back at school. Have a safe and fabulous summer break!

Endeavour



This half term, Endeavour Class have really enjoyed visiting Beeston Library. We've explored a wide range of books and practised using the scanner to borrow and return them.

Columbia

Columbia have had a great year. Work placements, independent travel, trapeze classes, college visits and not forgetting an award for Lukus for employment!



Hedgehogs

We've had a fantastic year in Hedgehogs! This term we have been focussing on Road Safety in Community, the students have done really well learning how to walk close to the adult and then hold hands or link arms when we get to a road or cross the road. We have really enjoyed our sensory story Meerkat Mail and performing this in Creative. Its been a great term!



Rabbits

This half term, the Rabbits Class visited St Mary's Church in Nottingham to enjoy a live orchestra performance. The children listened to a variety of different pieces, and some were so inspired they couldn't resist dancing



3F



This term 3F have been learning about the Mayans and enjoyed going on the KS3 trip to Cadbury World. They have been accessing different areas of the community, practising safety and enjoying the different facilities our local community has to offer. They have been to Beeston Marina to explore different plants and Nature. They have also been on a trip to Markeaton Park where they enjoyed the play area and the splash pad.

Challenger

As we wrap up the term, we want to take a moment to celebrate the hard work and achievements of our incredible Challenger students. Many of our students have taken on the challenge of sitting GCSE exams and completing various accreditations. We are immensely proud of the resilience, determination, and courage they have shown throughout. Well done to each and every one of you!

To celebrate the end of term, we enjoyed a brilliant trip to Matlock Bath. We walked through the scenic woods, enjoyed a classic fish and chips lunch, and explored the local shops.



GCSE ART GROUP

The GCSE Art group have had a busy term drawing, painting, sculpting and printmaking. They have all created fabulous pieces of art. The students have worked on a Green Man/Woman mask project and have been inspired by folklore and medieval art and architecture.

Students who took their exam in May spent hours working on their artwork over a two-day period. They showed great commitment and worked really hard to produce work inspired by their chosen theme of Narrative or Flora and Fauna.

Well done to everyone!









LEAVERS 2025

We wish our leavers good luck and all the best for the future!!





Silver DofE Expedition

Congratulations to the students that completed their Silver DofE Qualifying expedition. This means they have all achieved their Silver Award this year and amazing feat of teamwork, resilience and commitment. The expedition took the students on a walking and camping journey around the peak district over 3 days and 2 nights.



They battled rain, sun and wind and still finished with a smile....they even had to cook lunch in a bus stop on one day to shelter from the rain!





Dates for your Diary

25.07.25—Last day of term

28.07.25—29.08.25—Summer Break

01.09.25-02.09.25—Inset Days -Academy closed to

students

03.09.25—Primary aged pupils (Yrs 1-6) return ONLY

04.09.25—All students return

24.09.25—Meet the tutor evening

06.10.25—Inset Day—Academy closed to students

20.10.25—31.10.25—Half term break

03.11.25—Students return

19.12.25—Last day of term

22.12.25—02.01.26—Half term break

05.01.26—Students return

Cost of school meals

Please note that the cost of a school meal will rise to £2.80 from 1st September 2025. Food costs have risen by 12.2% up to April 2025 and are expected to increase by a further 5% this year.