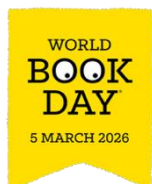




Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a very busy first fortnight of the second half of the academic year and looking forward to lots more that we have in store as we approach Easter. Please check the school diary dates for upcoming events and we hope to see you again at some point during the next month.



World Book Day 2026

We're all really looking forward to our World Book Day celebrations this **Thursday, 5th March**, celebrating books and a love of reading! Lots of the children are excited about this and have already been sharing with each other about the characters they going to be dressing up as.

Let's Glow! Day

Our next Let's GLOW! Day will be on **Friday, 13th March**. As always, everyone is welcome to come along and help with the activities on offer. If you are free to join us whether for a couple of hours, or a little longer, please let your child's teacher know and remember to sign in at the office on the day.



Don't forget to come in clothes which you don't mind if they get dirty... AND don't forget you can also order a school meal to eat alongside your child (see menu below) and please get your orders in by 6th March.

Parents Evenings – Thank You!



A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Parents' Evenings this week. It was great to be able to welcome you all into school and to share the children's progress and achievements.

We would also like to extend a special thank you to our fantastic team of **Year 6 helpers**, who played a key role in making the evenings run smoothly. They warmly welcomed families, guided them to the right place, and supported staff throughout both sessions. Their teamwork was very impressive.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Introducing Monthly Attendance Summary Letters

We are pleased to let you know that, starting this week, we will begin sending out monthly attendance summary letters for all pupils. In future, these will be issued at the end of each month and are designed to help keep families informed about their child's attendance in a simple, consistent way.

The letters are not a cause for concern - they are part of our ongoing work to strengthen communication and to support good attendance across the school. Regular attendance is an important part of your child's learning, and having a clear monthly overview helps everyone stay informed and engaged.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping us promote positive attendance and a strong start to every school day.

Our School Attendance for February 2026

Foundation 94.25%

Year 1: 92.41%

Year 2: 94.49%

Year 3: 95.09%

Year 4: 97.12% Well done Elm Class!!

Year 5: 95.62%

Year 6: 93.63%

Oak Class Stay & Play

We were delighted to welcome families into school for our recent, first **Stay and Play** session in Oak Class. The aim of the event was to build our relationships between home and school by giving parents and carers the chance to join their children in a fun, relaxed learning environment.

Children and adults worked together on a range of creative activities, including building their own bunny, creating lanterns, and themed craft projects. The session ended with a short story time and it was a lovely way to be able to start a day together.

The event was very well received, and we are pleased to share that more **Stay and Play** sessions will now be planned, each with a different theme and opportunities for both indoor and outdoor learning.



Next Level Sports – Easter Multisports Holiday Camp

We're pleased to share that Next Level Sports will once again be running their popular Multisports Holiday Camp here at Bagthorpe Primary during the Easter break. The camp will take place on 30th–31st March, offering children aged 5–11 a fun filled day from 9am to 3pm.

Children can look forward to a fantastic mix of traditional sports and exciting activities, including ball games, soft archery, laser tag, disco dodgeball, Nerf challenges, boot camp sessions, scooters and much more. It's a great opportunity for pupils to stay active, try new skills and enjoy time with friends in a supportive and energetic environment.

Further details, including booking information and pricing, are available on the flyer attached to this newsletter.

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme – Easter 2026

We're pleased to share information about the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme, funded by the Department for Education. The scheme offers free, high quality activity sessions and a nutritious meal for children aged 5–16 who receive benefits related free school meals. Activities run during the Easter, Summer, Autumn and Winter school holidays and include a wide range of fun, active and engaging options for children across Nottinghamshire.

Families who are eligible can book places through the Nottinghamshire HAF website, and the programme also offers support for children with additional needs, ensuring sessions are inclusive for all.

Please find full details - including how to book, what's on offer, and answers to common questions - in the HAF Handbook, which is attached at the end of this newsletter.

Selston Skate & Regenerate – Sunday, 8th March – 10.30am to 3pm

The event will be held on Woodnook Recreation Ground, Selston and is being run by Skate Nottingham whose homepage is <https://www.skatenottingham.co.uk/> Please see flyer later in the Newsletter.

School Uniform & Personal Belongings

Please can we remind everyone that all children need to wear a full school uniform, including trousers/shorts or dress/skirt (but not joggers) and school shoes (not sports trainers). As well as supporting a joint identity and being part of the team, our uniform promotes a smart appearance throughout school. If any parents/carers have difficulty financing uniform, please speak to me directly - all matters will be dealt with sensitively and discretely.

Please also ensure that all items of uniform and other personal belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name to help us return lost items to their owners. Valuable and 'treasured' personal items should not be brought into school. Thank you.

Winter Weather



A quick reminder that whilst severe weather can cause school closures, we remain open, unless it is absolutely unavoidable. If we do have to close the school, we will let you know by sending you a **text message**. We will also post a note on the Home Page of our **website**.

An announcement will also be made on **Radio Nottingham / GEM 106 FM www.gem106.co.uk/news/schools** – where the list of closed schools is kept updated. Please take advantage of these, rather than phoning school each day. Unless you hear from us, please assume it is business as usual – thanks!

Food Allergies

We would also like to remind you that we have several children in school with food allergies, the most common of these being nuts. Whilst we always seek to promote healthy eating, we know there are special occasions when food/sweets may be brought in from home, to share with classmates. To minimise the risk of a reaction occurring and to make life safer for children with nut allergy, we would ask you please, to avoid sending in food/sweets containing nuts, for example 'Snickers' in 'Celebrations'. Many thanks for your help with this.

INSET Days

Another reminder about this year's inset days:

Friday, 22nd May 2026

Friday, 24th July 2026

Monday, 27th July 2026

Don't forget, school closes at 3.10pm on Friday, 27th March for the Easter holiday and we wish you an enjoyable break with your families and look forward to seeing the children back at school on Monday, 13th April in time for a prompt start to lessons at 8.40am.

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you need us – we're here to help.

Best wishes

D T Walton
Head Teacher



School Year 2025 – 2026

Thursday, 5 th March 2026	World Book Day
Friday, 13 th March 2026	Let's GLOW! Day
Wednesday, 18 th March 2026	Oak trip to Crich Tramway Museum
Friday, 20 th March 2026	Elm trip to The Deep
Tuesday, 24 th March 2026	Transform Girls' Football Festival at Power League Birch trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Monday, 30 th March to Friday, 10 th April 2026	Easter holiday – school closed to pupils
Monday, 27 th to Friday, 30 th April 2026	Y6 - Practise SATs week
Monday, 4 th May 2026	May Day Bank Holiday – school closed to pupils
Monday, 11 th to Thursday, 14 th May 2026	Y6 SATs week
Friday, 15 th May 2026	Sports Enrichment – Introduction to a New Sport
Thursday, 21 st May 2026	PTA Film Night
Friday, 22 nd May 2026	Inset Day – school closed to pupils
Monday, 25 th to Friday, 28 th May 2026	Spring Bank Holiday – school closed to pupils
Monday, 1 st to Friday, 12 th June 2026	Y4 Multiplication check period
Friday, 12 th June 2026	Let's GLOW! Day
Monday, 15 th June 2026	1.30pm – Y3 Welcome meeting for new intake
Tuesday, 16 th June 2026 (Note date change)	Star Vision in for Class Photographs PM – TBC District Sports
Thursday, 18 th June 2026	5pm – Selston High School Transition Evening
Thursday, 18th – Friday, 19th June 2026	TBC Elm class camp-out with Robert Shaw Primary
Monday, 29 th June 2026	9.30am – 11am – Reception New Intake (Day 1) Y6 Transition day at Selston High School
Tuesday, 30 th June 2026	Y6 Transition day at Selston High School Year 2-3 Transition day at Bagthorpe
Monday, 6 th to Friday, 10 th July 2026	Willow class residential to Isle of Wight
Monday, 6 th July 2026	8.40am – 12noon – Reception New Intake (Day 2)
Monday, 13 th July 2026	8.40am – 3.10pm – Reception New Intake (Day 3)
Monday, 20 th July 2026	Sports Day
Tuesday, 21 st July 2026	Reserve Sports Day
Thursday, 23 rd July 2026	9am Y6 Leavers' Service
Friday, 24 th July 2026	Inset Day – school closed to pupils
Monday, 27 th July 2026	Inset Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday, 28 th July 2026 to 1 st September 2026	School Holidays Please note that inset days are yet to be set for 26/27

School Year 2026 – 2027

Monday, 14 th to Friday, 2 nd October 2026	Pop-Up Pool – Swimming lessons
Monday, 12 th October 2026	Individual Photographs
Friday, 16 th October 2026	School breaks up for October half term holiday
Monday, 2 nd November 2026	School Re-open to pupils
Wednesday, 11 th November 2026	Cedar Class trip to Creswell Craggs



Weds, 18 th & Thurs, 19 th November 2026	Life Education in school
Thursday, 10 th December 2026	Pantomime (Aladdin) (Nottingham Playhouse)
Friday, 18 th December 2026	School breaks up for Christmas holiday

(Updates in red)





MULTISPORTS HOLIDAY CAMP

30 - 31 MAR 26

09:00 - 15:00
AGES 5-11

CAMP VENUE

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School Rd, Bagthorpe, NG16 5HB

Book Your Child's Space Today for:

£22.00 Per Session

Save 10% when booking siblings!

ACTIVITIES

Including All Traditional Sports & Outdoor
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Sunday 8th
March
10:30 - 15:00

SKATE AND REGENERATE

A community skateboarding day at
Woodnook skatepark, Selston

Free skateboard coaching

Skatepark repair workshop

Jacksdale skatepark consultation

 Skate Nottingham





Recognising and Supporting Young Carers

Building a Caring School Community

Why supporting Young Carers matters

Every school has Young Carers - students who balance learning with caring responsibilities at home. Without support, they risk falling behind academically and emotionally.

Identifying and supporting Young Carers early.

- Improves attendance and attainment
- Enhances wellbeing and resilience
- Reduces hidden disadvantage

Benefits of Achieving the Quality Mark

For Schools

- Demonstrates commitment to inclusion and safeguarding
- Strengthens Ofsted evidence for wellbeing and equality
- Builds trust with families and the wider community

For Students

- Access to tailored support (homework clubs, mentoring)
- Improved mental health and academic outcomes
- Greater sense of belonging and confidence

For Staff

- Training and resources to identify and support Young Carers.
- Clear referral pathways and communication tools.

What Schools need to do

To achieve the Quality Mark, schools should:

- Train a school lead for Young Carers
- Raise awareness among students and staff (assemblies, PSHE, insets)
- Include young carers in policies and report to governors
- Provide self-referral opportunities and clear communication channels
- Record Young Carers in school data systems
- Offer extra support provisions (e.g. homework clubs)
- Work with feeder schools for smooth transitions

How to apply

01

Register your interest at nottinghamshirecarers.co.uk



02

Complete the checklist and gather evidence

03

Submit your application and celebrate your achievement!



Make your School a Champion for Young Carers!

Join the growing network of schools committed to recognising and supporting Young Carers. Together we can make education fairer.

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Your feedback will help us improve our:

- Information on the website
- Facebook page
- Instagram messages

...giving children the best start

**Survey open
23 February until 22 March 2026**



BAGTHORPE LET'S GLOW! LUNCH – FRIDAY, 13th MARCH 2026

Return to school office before Tuesday, 10th March 2026

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

My child would like the following: please tick/highlight below:

- Fishcake Cob with lemon mayonnaise, oven chips & peas followed by Golden Syrup Flapjack
- Jacket Potato with cheese / beans / cheese & beans / tuna & Golden Syrup Flapjack

I would like to order the following:

- Fishcake Cob with lemon mayonnaise, oven chips & peas followed by Golden Syrup Flapjack
- Jacket potatoes with cheese / cheese & beans / beans / tuna filling

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Pupil meals can be paid on Arbor or in cash - £3.20
Adult meals MUST be paid in cash on the day - £3.85