

Newsletter

10th October 2025

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CYCLE (AND SCOOT!) TO SCHOOL WEEK - MONDAY 13TH - FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2025

The children were introduced to the Cycle and Scoot to School Week in assembly on Monday. It celebrates the health, wellbeing, and environmental benefits of active travel. We are having a cycling themed week with some special activities organised in partnership with 'Mums for Lungs', the 'Bike Bus' group and 'Bikes Love You'.



CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK '25

What's on?

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Competition opens!	Dr Bike 0830-0945 (in the playground)	Bike Bus 0810 hood street play park 0820 pirate park 0830 Jensen way 0845 school	Dr Bike 0830-0945 (in the playground)	Bike Bus 0810 hood street play park 0820 pirate park 0830 Jensen way 0845 school
12-1pm	 Special OPAL activities			

Dr Bike drop in sessions - Free minor bike repairs and safety checks for ANY bike (parents / siblings / children) while you wait.

Competition time! - design a helmet for your chance to win a prize, closing date Thursday 16th

OPAL - special activities during OPAL play every day

Bike bus - two opportunities to join the bike bus this week

DESIGN A BICYCLE HELMET COMPETITION

As part of the Cycle and Scoot to School Week (Monday 13th to Friday 17th October), we are holding a Design a Bicycle Helmet competition. The blank bicycle helmets will be given out today and the closing date will be next Thursday, 16th October. The Eco Team will choose two winners and they will be announced in assembly on Friday 17th October. Prizes have been donated by 'Bikes Love You', the bike repair shop on Haydn Road.

DR BIKE WORKSHOPS - TUESDAY 14TH AND THURSDAY 16TH 8.30AM-9.45AM

Parents can bring along child and adult bikes for a free safety check and minor repairs and will be held on the Key Stage 2 playground.

CHEEKY TUESDAY FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6

Next Tuesday 14th October, we are having a 'Cheeky Tuesday' where your child in Year 1 to Year 6 can choose from the options below. These are all a little bit 'cheeky' because they are things that we wouldn't usually allow on a normal Haydn school day. On this occasion, children can bring a cash donation to school and can choose one or all of the options. Please do not bring items that are of sentimental or monetary value as school cannot be responsible for any items that go astray. Please see the list of choices below:

Squash in bottle	20p
Bring your own stationery (at your own risk)	20p
Nails painted	50p
Chocolate for your snack	50p
Wear your own jewellery	50p
Face painted	50p
Wacky hairstyle	£1
Own clothes	£1

BRING A BULB DAY - THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER AT 3.15PM



We continue with our pledge to make the school grounds a haven for wildlife. In order to support bumblebees and other pollinators, we need to provide nectar-rich plants for as much of the year as possible. Planting spring bulbs is a perfect way of doing this!

Our site manager, Mr Shaw, has been busy making raised beds from upcycled materials. We are adding these into an underused 'grey' space in school where the gardening club created a small bumblebee garden last summer. Bring in your bulbs next Thursday after school and help to make this space a greener space for wildlife and for everyone! Also, could we ask parents and carers to bring along a trowel if you have one. We look forward to seeing you there!

HARVEST FESTIVAL COLLECTION

Next week, we are collecting food items for the Harvest Festival. We are looking for donations of the following items: tinned and dried goods, such as vegetables, fruits, meat, pasta, rice, and cereal, as well as long-life milk and juice. Other non-perishable items, such as toiletries and cooking sauces, are also appreciated. Items can be dropped off at school from Monday to Thursday next week. We will be dropping off the donations at Arnold Foodbank next Friday 17th October.

YEAR 1 'FRUITY FAMILY FEAST'

Year 1 had a wonderful time at their 'Fruity Family Feast' afternoon on Tuesday. We welcomed lots of grandparents and special family members and loved having the opportunity to learn more about our family histories and things that have changed over time. We even welcomed an ex Haydn pupil with a school report and photograph from 1952! The children proudly shared the delicious fruit kebabs they made in their DT unit on food and healthy eating - it was a wonderful event for all. Thank you to all who attended this special event.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Please note that the deadline for your application for your child's secondary school is 31st October 2025. Please visit: www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/admissions to submit your application.

DIWALI CELEBRATION

We are looking forward to celebrating a whole school Diwali day on Friday 7th November, including a special celebratory lunch. We would very much welcome any involvement, big or small, from our local Hindu, Sikh and Jain community. If you have any time to give, please contact Mrs Harris (r.harris@haydn.nottingham.sch.uk).

WEEKLY % ATTENDANCE FIGURES - THIS WEEK'S WINNERS ARE: 2F & 3T

FS	96.55%	FW	86.97%	1ST	96.63%	1W	96.67%	2C	97.40%
2F	99.26%	3G	94.44%	3T	98.15%	4H	91.76%	4W	94.64%
5C	96.30%	5H	93.10%	6C	90.00%	6CH	97.00%		

100% ATTENDANCE WINNERS - KS1: Emmett (1ST) KS2: Malek (6CH)

READING, READING, READING

October is Black History Month in the UK, when we seek to acknowledge and celebrate the contributions of Black people to British society and globally. The theme for Black History Month 2025 is 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride', which recognises the strength and resilience of Black communities worldwide.

There are many beautiful books and we love 'The Little Leaders' series.

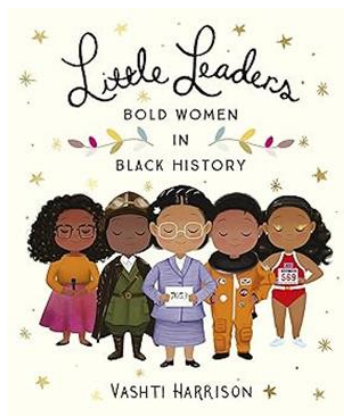
Featuring 40 trailblazing black women in the world's history, this book educates and inspires, as it relates to true stories of women who broke boundaries and exceeded all expectations.

Debut author/illustrator Vashti Harrison pairs captivating text with stunning illustrations as she tells the stories of both iconic and lesser-known female figures of black history, including: Nurse Mary Seacole, Politician Diane Abbott, Mathematician Katherine Johnson.

Inspire your own little leader with the stories of these amazing women.

Click on the link below to see a beautiful range of books for all ages.

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/topics/history/black-lives-black-history-and-anti-racism/>



MATHS CHALLENGE

$$\text{Watermelon Slice} + \text{Watermelon Slice} + \text{Watermelon Slice} = 36$$

$$\text{Watermelon Slice} + \text{Orange} + \text{Orange} = 28$$

$$\text{Orange} - \text{Banana} = 3$$

$$\text{Orange} = ? \quad \text{Watermelon Slice} = ? \quad \text{Banana} = ?$$

The answer will be revealed in next week's newsletter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5C Swimming	Friday 3 rd October - Friday 17 th October
Cycle & Scoot To School Week	Monday 13 th - Friday 17 th October
'Cheeky Tuesday' for children in Year 1 to Year 6	Tuesday 14 th October
Dr Bike Workshops	Tuesday 15 th & Thursday 16 th October - 8.30am - 9.45am
Stay & Read (F2 - Year 6 Parents and Carers)	Wednesday 15 th October - 8.45am
Bike Bus	Wednesday 15 th & Friday 17 th October
Year 6 National Holocaust Museum Trip	Thursday 16 th October
Bring a Bulb Day	Thursday 16 th October - 3.15pm
Last Day of School	Friday 17 th October
Half Term Holidays	Monday 20 th October - Friday 31 st October
Back to School	Monday 3 rd November
Nursery Early Reading Skills Parents Meeting	Tuesday 11 th November - 4.30pm
Bike Bus	Friday 21 st November
Inset Day	Friday 28 th November
Year 4 Nottinham Playhouse Panto	Thursday 4 th December
Year 5 Nottingham Playhouse Panto	Thursday 18 th December
Last Day of School	Friday 19 th December
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22 nd December - Friday 2 nd January
Back to School	Monday 5 th January
Year 5 Stratford-upon-Avon Residential	Wednesday 21 st January - Thursday 22 nd January

Signposting

Rugbyfest 2025 Comes to Pavs - Saturday 11th October - 9.30am - 12.00pm. Been inspired by the Red Roses? Want to play Rugby? Join us for Rugbyfest 2025. A fun, focused rugby session for girls aged 5- 17, led by our quality coaches and some members of our 1st XV, Paviours Pumas! Including other activities such as arts, crafts and bracelet making! Free refreshments available. Contact details: shev.paviours@gmail.com/07951980539.