

Newsletter

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A MESSAGE FROM MS PAULSON

Dear families, welcome back to a new half term. Spring is definitely in the air as we welcome in March on Sunday. The bulbs that were planted in the wildlife garden in the autumn are beginning to bloom - if you get chance, have a look with your children when you're next in school. We started the week introducing our new Jigsaw theme, 'Healthy Me' and looking at what is coming up over the next five weeks. There's a lot happening across school with a snapshot of some key events shown below.

Lunar New Year Day Friday 27th February

World Book Day Thursday 5th March

Shakespeare Week 16th March

PARENTS EVENING 16th-20th March

Ramadan and Eid ul-Fitr
Ramadan began on the evening of 17 February and Eid will follow on Thursday, 19 March.

MOTHER'S DAY SUNDAY 5th MARCH

COMIC RELIEF RED NOSE DAY FRIDAY 20 MARCH

Y5 Macbeth Performance 24th/25th March

Whole School Eid Day 18th March

Whole School Easter Day Friday 20th March

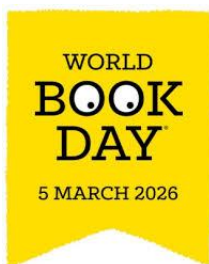
Across the half term, the children will be getting out and about going on a variety of visits and trips, both in the community and further afield. F2 children began the half term with a visit to the St Ann's Community Orchard. They had a wonderful time immersed in nature and enjoying popcorn around the fire. Our Lunar New Year celebrations have been enjoyed across school today and it was lovely to see children wearing red for the occasion.

Look out for other key events on Class Dojo or in the newsletter.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The photographer will be in school next Tuesday 3rd March to take photographs of the children on their own (and with their brothers and sisters if required). PLEASE NOTE: if you wish to have a photograph of your child with a sibling who is at home, you will need to be in the school hall at 8.30am on the day. Group photographs of siblings who are in school, will be done during the day.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2026



On Thursday 5th March it's World Book Day - a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and the joy of reading.

It's a wonderful opportunity to talk about books, share favourite stories and read together. It is a day to further celebrate reading for pleasure, nurture positive reading habits and foster a lifelong love of books.

Our Reading Ambassadors have met to discuss the day.

Children can:

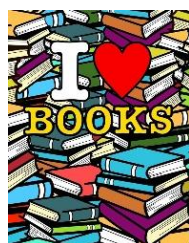
- dress as a book character
- wear their pyjamas
- dress in special/party clothes to celebrate



Where possible, encourage the children to borrow or look around the house for something they can use/adapt or even visit a charity shop. Be creative. They could also bring in a prop as a nod to a character.

In addition, we'd love it if the children could bring in a book that they are happy to swap with another child.

Every child will be given a token to spend at participating stores. We will be enjoying lots of lovely activities on the day and there will be a special assembly by our Reading Ambassadors. If there are any willing authors and storytellers out there (not just on World Book Day, but anytime), please, please come in and see us, you are very welcome.



WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATORY LUNCH - THURSDAY 5th MARCH

To celebrate World Book Day, we will be having a themed lunch next Thursday 5th March. On the menu there will be 'Cloudy With a Chance of meatballs & pasta', served with baguette slice and 'Hungry Caterpillar' salad or 'Fantastic Mr Fox' veggie wrap, served with rice and 'Peter Rabbit' carrots or jacket potato with 'Jack's Magic Beans' & cheese. For pudding there will be 'Willy Wonka's' chocolate muffin or 'Oompa Loompa' fresh fruit salad. The cost is free to children in FS and FW, Year 1 and Year 2 and £2.90 for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

WEEKLY % ATTENDANCE FIGURES - THIS WEEK'S WINNERS ARE: 2C & 5H

FS	94.81%	FW	97.00%	1ST	91.35%	1W	98.08%	2C	98.89%
2F	95.19%	3G	95.40%	3T	97.70%	4H	96.42%	4W	97.30%
5C	96.30%	5H	99.22%	6C	98.15%	6CH	96.92%		

100% ATTENDANCE WINNERS - KS1: Skylar (1W) KS2: Jasmin (3G)

HAYDN BIKE BUS

Do you want to cycle to school? Then join the Haydn Road bike bus! A bike bus is a group of people who ride together - it helps to build confidence and ensures better visibility. **Next ride: FRIDAY 20th March** - 8:25am at Pirate Park car park. Hire a lime bike for free using code: NOTTFRESHER24*



SPORTS DAY EVENTS 2026

Due to the disruption caused last year by the weather, we have decided this year to hold our Sports Day Events the week beginning the 18th May. We will announce finalised exact dates for each event once they have been confirmed. We know many families come to these events to support the children, so we want to give you as much warning to the change of date as possible.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Photographer (Individual Photos)	Tuesday 3 rd March
World Book Day	Thursday 5 th March
Year 3 Blackwoods Scout Hut Trip	Thursday 5 th March
Year 4 Perlethorpe River Study Trip	Thursday 5 th March
Year 4 Southwell Minster Trip	Friday 6 th March
Area Band Spring Spectacular Concert - Nottingham Contemporary	Tuesday 10 th March - children to arrive at 4.00pm - concert starts at 5.30pm
Red Nose Day	Friday 20th March
Year 1 National Space Centre Trip	Tuesday 24 th March
Year 2 White Post Farm Trip	Tuesday 24 th March
	New Date
Year 5 Performance - 'Macbeth'	Monday 23 rd March - 6pm (families welcome)
Year 4 'The Great Orchestra Experiment'	Tuesday 24th March
Year 5 Performance - 'Macbeth'	Tuesday 24 th March - 6pm (families welcome)
Last Day of School	Friday 27 th March
Easter Holidays	Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April
Back to School	Monday 13 th April
Bank Holiday Monday (Nursery and School Closed)	Monday 4 th May
Last Day of School	Friday 22 nd May

Half Term Holidays	Monday 25 th May - Friday 29 th May
Back to School	Monday 1 st June
Year 6 Shropshire Residential	Wednesday 17 th - Friday 19 th June
Last Day of School	Thursday 23 rd July
Inset Day	Friday 24 th July
Inset Day	Monday 27 th July
Summer Holidays	Tuesday 28 th July - Monday 31 st August
Inset Day	Tuesday 1 st September
Inset Day	Wednesday 2 nd September
Back to School	Thursday 3 rd September
Last Day of School	Friday 16th October
Half Term Holidays	Monday 19 th October - Friday 30 th October
Back to School	Monday 2 nd November

Signposting

Johnny & the Raindrops gig for kids and families - United Reformed Church hall in Sherwood, Nottingham on Saturday 28th Feb, doors at 14:00, band on at 14:30. All tickets £5. We'd love to see you. Ya comin'? <https://www.gigantic.com/johnny-and-the-raindrops-tickets/sherwood-nottingham-sherwood-united-reformed-church/2026-02-28-14-00>.

Hollygirt School - Upcoming Events - Whole School Open Morning for Kindergarten, Prep School and Senior School, Saturday 25th April - 9.00am - 12.00pm. Year 5 Taster Day (for year 7 entry 2027), Thursday 18th June. For more information, register online at www.hollygirt.co.uk or call 0115 958 0596 to speak to our Admissions Manager. For more information, please visit info@hollygirt.co.uk.