



Newsletter

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A MESSAGE FROM MS PAULSON

Dear families, as we come to the end of the last week of the spring term, there is a real sense of celebration and achievement across the school. The past few days have truly showcased the incredible talent and creativity of our children and I could not be prouder of all they have accomplished. The week began with the Year 5's performance of 'Macbeth', followed by Year 1 visiting the Space Centre, Year 2 going to White Post Farm and Year 4 children taking part in the 'Great Orchestra Experiment' at the Albert Hall. We held a whole school Eid Celebration Day on Wednesday where the children learned about why this festival is important to the Muslim community and finished the week with a whole school Easter assembly where the children helped to retell the Easter story. F2 and nursery children had a splendid time with their families showing off their beautiful bonnets in their Easter Parade. It was so lovely seeing so many of you there - it makes these experiences memorable for the children.

It has been a week where the arts and learning outside the classroom have truly shone, highlighting the rich experiences we offer.

YEAR 5 PERFORMANCE OF 'MACBETH'

At Haydn, we are so proud to be an RSC (Royal Shakespeare Company) Associate School and last week the whole school enjoyed a week of Shakespeare from Year 1 to Year 6. This week saw a fabulous performance of 'Macbeth' from our Year 5 children who brought Shakespeare to life with confidence, expression and musical talent! Each and every pupil had their part to play and it was a joy to see the pleasure it gave them all to perform to an audience. I never cease to be impressed with the achievements of Haydn children! A big thank you to the Year 5 staff team who, without their hard work and dedication, the play couldn't happen. So thank you to Mrs Crawford, Mrs Harris, Miss Williamson and of course, to the amazing Mrs Needham! Also, a huge thank you to all the parents and carers who came to support your talented children; you were a most appreciative audience.

YEAR 3 UKULELE CONCERT

On Thursday afternoon, Year 3 children performed to their families in their ukulele concert. They performed music and songs including 'Yellow Submarine' by The Beatles and 'Roar' by Katie Perry. The children impressed everyone with their amazing performance under the musical direction of Mrs Copley.

WEEKLY % ATTENDANCE FIGURES - THIS WEEK'S WINNERS ARE: 1W & 3T

FS	95.74%	FW	96.30%	1ST	95.19%	1W	98.85%	2C	96.25%
2F	89.26%	3G	95.80%	3T	100.00%	4H	94.98%	4W	97.00%
5C	95.56%	5H	94.64%	6C	95.93%	6CH	96.55%		

RED NOSE DAY 2026

A big thank you for your donations; we raised £181.00 for Red Nose Day! Thank you.

PARENT/CARER ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Our annual questionnaire gives you the chance to tell us what you think about our school. We will use the information you provide when making decisions about developments in the coming year. By sharing your views, you are helping us to continue to improve. Please click on the following link to access the questionnaire: <https://forms.office.com/e/WaBZLeZTWA>. The questionnaire is available from today until Sunday 12th April. Thank you.

HAYDN FOREST SCHOOL

Our Forest School provision at Haydn continues to be a fantastic way for children to learn, explore and grow in the outdoors. Through hands-on experiences, pupils are encouraged to take safe risks, try new activities and develop important life skills such as confidence, independence and resilience. During this half term, children have made the most of their time in the Blackwoods and Forest Garden, spotting the first signs of spring as flowers begin to bloom and brighter days return. Outdoor play has been a big highlight, with popular games like 'Back to Base', 'Foxes and Hounds', 'Sardines' and 'Hide and Seek', bringing lots of energy and laughter to each session. Even in the wet weather, pupils have embraced the experience - splashing in puddles, exploring the mud and enjoying the freedom to get a little messy!

Forest School sessions have also included a wide range of practical activities. Children have safely used tools such as hammers, nails, saws and palm drills, tried their hand at whittling, built dens, created in the mud kitchen and relaxed in the much-loved hammock. Creativity has flourished too, with pupils experimenting with chalk, charcoal and natural dyes. Our Nottingham City Council Health and Safety consultant, commented on his visit, "all pupils were actively enjoying the Forest School activities and in a safe manner".

We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm and positive attitude our children show during Forest School. They continue to demonstrate excellent teamwork, curiosity and respect for the natural environment – making the most of every opportunity to learn beyond the classroom.



SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD - PLEASE REGISTER

We are joining with Carrington Primary for a short webinar to share practical advice to help local families find a healthy balance with smartphones – all in a supportive, non-judgemental space. Please support to understand more on this important subject, whatever your child's age.

Date: Wednesday April 22nd at 8:15pm

Register click on the link below to register:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=PGJnvjIZpkKdJGw1n-XqcdLomAbMNTdIpk_WvcmoDBZUOUVIUIIOMlpDNEc0SIRQNjBUSzRWNTU2OC4u

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Easter Holidays	Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April
Back to School	Monday 13 th April
Year 5 Ice Skating	Wednesday 15 th April - Wednesday 20 th May
Year 1 Parents/Carers Phonics Screening Meeting	Wednesday 15 th April - 2.50pm - Dining Hall
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 16 th October
Half Term Holidays	Monday 19 th October - Friday 30 th October
Back to School	Monday 2 nd November

Signposting

St Ann's Community Orchard - Spring Youth HAF Sessions - Outdoor fun and learning for ages 10-14. Wednesday 1st April, Thursday 2nd April, Wednesday 9th April, Thursday 9th April - 10.00am-2.00pm. Cooking, Orienteering, Swing ball & team games, Archery, Whittling and more! If your child is eligible for free school meals, this session is completely free. For more information email. info@staa-allotments.org.uk or call us on 0115 960 2282. The Community Orchard is on St Ann's Allotments off Ransom Road, NG3 3LJ.

Nottingham High School Taster Day & Open Day - Preparing for your child to move to Year 7 in September 2027? If your child is currently in Year 5, you and your family are warmly invited to visit us at Nottingham High School, as you consider the next steps for your child's senior school education. Year 7 Taster Days - Thursday 7th May & Thursday 21st May 2026. A fantastic opportunity for your child to spend a day with us and experience first-hand a taste of life in Year 7. Open Day - Saturday 19th September 2026. Take a guided tour of the senior school, speak with our staff and enjoy lots of family-friendly activities. If you would like to book places at a Taster Day or the Open Day, please complete the [Enquiry Form](#) on the school's website.