

NEWSLETTER



Edition 6

Friday 17th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of a busy and productive first half term, I'd like to extend my sincere thanks for your continued support throughout the start of this academic year. It's been a pleasure to see our school community come together with such positivity and purpose.

Looking ahead, we're excited for the term to come — one filled with enriching learning opportunities and the joy of the festive season. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Monday 3rd November**, refreshed and ready for the next chapter.

Diary Dates – Including Holiday Dates 2025/2026

2025	
November	
Monday 3 rd	First day of the autumn 2 term
Monday 3 rd	Year 2 trip to Sea Life Centre Birmingham
Tuesday 4 th	School Photographs
Thursday 6 th	Year 5 Trip to Attenborough Nature Reserve
Monday 10 th	Odd Socks Day for Anti-bullying Week
Monday 10 th	Year 1 Trip to Nottingham Castle
Monday 10 th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm (Nursery and Year 6 only)
Tuesday 11 th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Tuesday 11 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday 12 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Wednesday 12 th	F2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Wednesday 12 th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Thursday 13 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Friday 14 th	Non-Uniform Day for Children in Need - £1 donation
Friday 14 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 17 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday 18 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Tuesday 18 th	Year 5 Bikeability
Wednesday 19 th	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday 20 th	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday 21 st	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday 27 th	Whole School Pantomime – Years 1-6
December	

Tuesday 2nd	4:00pm – 5:30pm Christmas Fair
Tuesday 9th	5:00pm Year 3/4 Christmas Carol Service
Wednesday 10th	2:30pm - Rocksteady Concert
Thursday 11th	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 11th	5:00pm Year 5/6 Christmas Carol Service
Friday 12th	1:30pm Little Mermaid Pantomime at Nottingham Playhouse for Nursery & FS2
Tuesday 16th	1:30pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 16th	5:00pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
Wednesday 17th	10:00am EYFS Performance
Wednesday 17th	1:30pm EYFS Performance
Friday 19th	Non-Uniform Day
Friday 19th	Last day of the autumn 2 term
January	
Monday 5th	First day of the spring 1 term
Wednesday 7th	Year 3 and 4 Bikeability
Thursday 8th	Year 3 and 4 Bikeability
February	
Friday 13th	Last day of the spring 1 term
Monday 23rd	INSET DAY – School Closed
Tuesday 24th	First day of the spring 2 term
March	
Wednesday 4th	Year 5 depart for Hathersage residential
Friday 6th	Year 5 return from Hathersage residential
Tuesday 10th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 11th	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 18th	2:30pm – Rocksteady Concert
Friday 27th	Last day of the spring 2 term
April	
Monday 13th	First day of the summer 1 term
Tuesday 21st	Year 4 trip to Leicester Museum & Art Gallery
May	
Monday 4th	BANK HOLIDAY – School closed
Monday 11th	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Thursday 21st	Last day of the summer 1 term
Friday 22nd	INSET DAY – School Closed
June	
Monday 1st	First day of the summer 2 term
Monday 1st	Year 4 multiplication Check Week
Monday 8th	Phonics Screen Week

Tuesday 30th	Year 6 depart for Wales residential
July	
Friday 3rd	Year 6 return from Wales residential
Wednesday 15th	2:30pm – Rocksteady Concert
Friday 17th	School reports
Friday 24th	Last day of summer 2 term

Spitfire Class Phonics Showcase

Earlier this week, we were delighted to welcome parents and families of the Spitfire class into school for a live phonics lesson. This special event offered a valuable insight into how we deliver our ‘multi-skills’ approach to phonics, demonstrating how children learn to read and apply their skills in real time.

It was a pleasure to see so many families join us and witness the fantastic progress the children have already made in their reading and writing. The enthusiasm and support from our parent community made the morning truly memorable.

We look forward to hosting further phonics sessions throughout the academic year, giving more families the opportunity to experience the learning journey alongside their children.



School Photos – Tuesday 4th November 2025

The photographer is coming to school on Tuesday 4th November, to take individual and sibling school photos. Those of you with younger preschool children can come into school from 8am to have photos taken as a family group.

Flu Vaccination – 6th November 2025

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school this year, please follow this link to complete the online consent form. If you wish to decline, please use the same link to complete the ‘No Consent’ form.

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/824cc059>

The vaccinations will take place at Hucknall Flying High Academy on **Thursday 6th November 2025**. The link will close on **23rd October 2025**. If your child has already had the Flu vaccine elsewhere since September 2025, please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 3583 397 option 4, option 2.

Due to the Year 5 trip to Attenborough Nature Reserve on Thursday 6th November, the scheduled flu vaccinations for Year 5 pupils will now take place on **Wednesday 26th November**. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the school office.

Parent Consultations – Week Beginning 10th November

Parent Consultations will be taking place shortly and you are invited to book an appointment to meet your child's class teacher in school – scheduled for the second week back after the half term break. During this appointment, we will aim to discuss and share your child's achievements, targets and progress so far.

Please book your appointments as soon as possible to make sure you get the best timeslot available. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Focus on British Values – Democracy

Children, parents and staff have many opportunities for their voices to be heard at Hucknall Flying High Academy.

Democracy is central to how we operate. An obvious example is our School Parliament. The election of the School Parliament members reflects our British electoral system and demonstrates democracy in action: candidates make speeches, pupils consider characteristics important for an elected representative, pupils vote using ballot boxes etc.



Made up of two representatives from each class, the School Parliament meets regularly to discuss issues raised by the different classes. The group has its own budget and is able to effect change within the school; in the past, the School Council has helped to provide equipment for our school playground, with the support of the School Values team and supported fundraising events.

Congratulations to the new School Parliament members that have been nominated for this year. They will be working closely with Miss Morris and the School Leadership Team to drive improvement for this academic year.

School Admissions

Do you have a child due to start Primary school **in September 2026**?

If so, please make a note of the following dates:

Monday 3rd November 2025 – Notts County Council applications are open for starting school in September 2026.

Thursday 15th January 2026 – Closing date for applications.

If your child is starting Secondary school in **September 2026**, the closing date for applications is **31st October 2025**



Remembrance

We're pleased to let you know that a selection of poppies and Remembrance Day merchandise is now available for purchase from the school office.

All donations are gratefully received and all proceeds will go directly to support the **Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal**

Christmas Fair - Tuesday 2nd December 2025

We are excited to announce that our annual **Christmas Fair** will take place on **Tuesday 2nd December 2025**, starting at **4:00pm**. School will finish at the usual time, and children will go home as normal. We hope to welcome you all back later in the afternoon to join in the festive fun!



Donation Days & Non-Uniform Days

To help us prepare for the fair, we kindly ask for your support with the following donations, each in exchange for a non-uniform day:

- **Friday 21st November** – Bottle donations
- **Friday 28th November** – Sweet donations
- **Friday 2nd December** – £1 donation (also Christmas Fair day)

Hamper Donations

We would greatly appreciate contributions toward our class hampers. Each class is collecting items based on a colour theme. For example, *Spitfires* are collecting yellow items – a rubber duck would be perfect! Please send in your donations by **Wednesday 26th November**.

- **Nursery** – Red
- **Spitfires** – Yellow
- **Year 1** – Pink
- **Year 2** – Green
- **Year 3** – Orange
- **Year 4** – Purple
- **Year 5** – Blue
- **Year 6** – White

What to Look Forward To...

In the School Hall

- A variety of festive stalls including: Christmas baubles, glitter tattoos, face painting, pocket money toys, stationery, handmade crafts, wax melts, wooden gifts, and more!
- Visits to Santa Claus
- Hot chocolate and other warm drinks
- A performance by **Believe Dancing** at **5:00pm**
- **Raffle** draw to follow the performance

In the School Car Park

- Santa's sleigh will be parked outside, with Santa meeting children inside the hall
- A hot food van selling delicious food, as always
- A fire engine for children to explore

Under the Canopy

- Our popular tombola featuring bottles, sweets, chocolates, books, games, and pick & mix
- Class stalls selling their handmade Christmas crafts

Raffle Information

Each family will receive a sheet of raffle tickets. Additional sheets are available from the school office. **Tickets are £1 each.**

Prizes include:

- £100 cash
- £50 cash
- Photography voucher
- Laser tag vouchers
- Climbing experience vouchers
- Various hampers
- ...and many more!



Please return sold tickets and money to the school office.

Volunteers Needed

We would be very grateful for any help on the day. If you're available on **the Tuesday afternoon**, we'd love for you to join us. Set-up begins at **1:30pm**, so please let us know if you can lend a hand. We look forward to celebrating with you on **Tuesday 2nd December!**

Rattle and Roll

Please see the following contact details for the Rattle and Roll provider for breakfast, afterschool and holiday clubs:

Email: enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com

Bookings: www.rattleandrollperformance.com



Thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes, Mr K Clowery

