

# NEWSLETTER



Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we continue to navigate the exciting school year, I'm delighted to share the latest updates from Hucknall Flying High Academy. Our children have been actively engaged in a variety of learning experiences, demonstrating their curiosity, enthusiasm, and dedication. I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to our dedicated staff, supportive parents, and engaged pupils for making Hucknall Flying High such a wonderful learning community. Your continued support is invaluable.

## Diary Dates – Including Holiday Dates 2024/2025

October	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Black History Month
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	INSET DAY – School Closed
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 trip to Magna Science in Sheffield
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wear yellow for 'World Mental Health Day' - £1 donation
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of the autumn 1 term
November	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	First day of the autumn 2 term
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Individual school photos
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-bullying Week – Odd Socks Day
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am F2 trip to Sherwood Forest
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am Year 1 trip to Nottingham Castle
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	World Kindness Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am SEND Coffee Morning
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Non-uniform day for Children in Need
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Road Safety Week
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	(pm) Reception – Year 6 flu immunisation
December	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	4:00pm – 6:00pm Christmas Fair
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm Year 3/4 Christmas Carol Service
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am EYFS at the Playhouse – Ugly Duckling performance
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	5:00pm Year 5/6 Christmas Carol Service
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm – 4:30pm Year 1-6 at the Christmas Panto - Playhouse
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance

<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 1/2 Christmas Performance
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00am EYFS Performance
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	2:00pm EYFS Performance
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Non-uniform day
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day of autumn 2 term
<b>2025</b>	
<b>January</b>	
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	First day of spring 1 term
<b>February</b>	
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Children's Mental Health Week
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Scholastic Book Fair – up till the 11 <sup>th</sup> of February
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	NSPCC Numbers Day
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Internet Safety Day
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 5 Hathersage Residential Parent Meeting
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day of spring 1 term
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	INSET DAY – School Closed
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	First day of spring 2 term
<b>March</b>	
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Women's History Month
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 6 Parent Meeting – KS2 SATs information meeting
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Year 5 Hathersage residential
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	World Book Day
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	International Women's Day
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Science Week
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Dress in red for Comic Relief
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	1:00pm Family High Tea event
<b>April</b>	
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	9:15am EYFS Easter 'Eggs'travaganza 2025
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	1:00pm Year 3/4 Easter Craft afternoon
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Last day of spring 2 term
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	First day of summer 1 term
<b>May</b>	
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Class photographs
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	5:00pm Year 6 Tenby Residential Parent Meeting
<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Sports Day 2025
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Last day of summer 1 term

Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET DAY – School Closed
<b>June</b>	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	First day of summer 2 term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 4 multiplication Check Week
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Tenby residential
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30am Family Breakfast event
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Phonics Screen Week
<b>July</b>	
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30am F2 trip to Pizza Express
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 pupils transition to Holgate School
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Reports to Parents
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00pm Year 5/6 Summer Production
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	5:00pm Year 5/6 Summer Production
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	'Transition Day' into new classes
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of summer 2 term

### MacMillan Coffee Morning

Well done and thank you for your contributions towards our coffee morning on Friday, we raised £364.00. A great fundraising day with lots and lots of cake!



### Rattle and Roll

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

Tel: 07722 014301

Email: [enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com](mailto:enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com)

Bookings: [www.rattleandrollperformance.com](http://www.rattleandrollperformance.com)



### Reading Mornings

These will begin to take place **week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024**, now the children are settled back in from the summer break. They will take place in the hall for Nursery and Foundation, and in the classrooms for Year 1 and Year 2. They will take place on the following days at the specified times:

Day	Time	Class	Location
Monday	8:45 – 9:00	Nursery	Hall
Tuesday	8:45 – 9:00	Foundation	Hall
Wednesday	8:30 – 8:45	Year 1	Year 1 classroom
Thursday	8:30 – 8:45	Year 2	Year 2 classroom

## **Flu Vaccines**

The School Aged Immunisation Service – SAIS - will be in school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November to offer all children in the following years a Flu Vaccine (Nasal spray):

**F2, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6**

Please look out for the leaflet being sent home with all the details you need to book your child's vaccine. Please note that if you decide NOT to proceed with this, you should send an email with your child's details to the SAIS team direct – not school. Many thanks.

## **Food Bank Collection – Started Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

As part of our Harvest Festival Assembly celebrations, we are collecting for our local Food Bank. If you would like to make any contributions, could you please leave them in reception to be collected by our school team taking charge of this. Many thanks for your support with this.

## **Focus on British Values – Respect and Tolerance**

Respect and tolerance are words that describe how we treat other people. If we respect someone, we treat them in a way that shows we value them and think they are important. If we are tolerant of something, it shows we accept the differences between people.

This is the understanding that we are all different and have different beliefs and values. It is accepting and respecting this and involves no one person or group of people thinking they are more important, more deserving, or better than anyone else. We all have the right to live healthy, safe, and happy lives, where our different values are accepted and respected.



## **Safeguarding Tip of the Week**

This week's safeguarding focus is mental health. Mental health is about our moods, feelings, and emotions. Recognising the signs that a child may be struggling with their mental health can be hard and it is important that we talk about mental health with our children. Below are some tips to support you with these conversations:

- Make conversations about mental health a normal part of life
- Give it your full attention - be an active listener
- Take it seriously and explore the feelings together
- Offer empathy rather than solutions

For more information see:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/mental-health-parenting/>

## Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day – 10<sup>th</sup> October

Hucknall Flying High Academy will be joining thousands of schools across the UK and taking part in Hello Yellow in support of YoungMinds on Thursday 10 October (World Mental Health Day) where we'll be holding a non-school uniform day and asking everyone to wear something yellow.



There are days when all of us struggle with how we are feeling. Things can get tough, and it can be difficult knowing how to cope. For so many young people, when this happens, they don't always get the help they need, when they need it. They don't know where to turn, who to talk to, or even if anyone else feels the same. No young person should feel alone with their mental health. But together, we can change this.

To take part, students can wear yellow to school, and we'd like to ask parents and carers to consider donating to help YoungMinds keep fighting for young people's mental health. Our suggested donation is £1 which can be donated on the day. Because we stand brighter, together.

Finally, YoungMinds have resources for parents and carers to find help and advice, if you're ever concerned about a child or young person – you can find this on their website: [www.youngminds.org.uk/parent](http://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent).

## Parking outside School

We have again received a message from a local resident of inconsiderate parking on neighbouring roads to school – this time, Pennington Way. Please take a moment when you are both dropping off and collecting children from school and think about where you are leaving your car - is it blocking someone's drive, is it causing a danger to pedestrians, is it causing danger to other drivers?

Please help us to maintain a safe route to and from our school, and please give our neighbours due consideration.

## School Admissions

Do you have a child due to start Primary school in September 2025?

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

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – Notts County Council applications are open for starting school in September 2025.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – Closing date for applications.

If your child is starting Secondary school in September 2025, the closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024.

Best wishes,  
Mr K Clowery

