

# NEWSLETTER



'Be kind, work hard and fly high.'

Friday 12.1.2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wish a very happy, healthy, and peaceful New Year to you all. I trust you all managed to get some well-deserved rest this Christmas whilst spending quality time with loved ones.

Many thanks for the lovely cards and gifts myself and the staff team received for Christmas. Your generosity and kindness really are appreciated.

We look forward to a very busy and exciting term ahead.

## Diary Dates – Including Holiday Dates 2024

Diary Dates	
2024	
January	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 Hathersage Residential Parent Meeting: 5:00pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 History of Flight drama workshop
February	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	NSPCC Numbers Day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Chinese New Year – themed lunch in school
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of the spring 1 term
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	First day of the spring 2 term
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Victorian Day
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Parent Meetings: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup>	FLYING HIGH TRUST INSET DAY – School closed
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 depart for Hathersage residential
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATs Parent Information Evening: 5:00pm
March	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 at the Holocaust Centre
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	International Women's Day
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Family High Tea Event
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	British Science Week
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	EYFS Easter 'Eggs' travaganza - 9:15am
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Assembly for Parents: 10:00am and 1:45pm



**Remember, online safety is a shared responsibility between parents, children, and schools.** By working together, we can help ensure that our children have a positive and safe experience online. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

**Staffing News**

I would like you to join me in welcoming a new member of teaching staff to our school, Miss Cawley. She joins with a vast array of experience, working abroad in Dubai, as well as one of our partner Trust schools. This term she will be working across our school covering staff during planning and management time. Please join me in making Miss Cawley feel welcomed in our school community.



**Parking Around School**

Please ensure you park legally and safely around school, showing courtesy to our neighbours and each other. Unfortunately, this issue remains a constant source of frustration for all in our school community. Please try this new year to be more considerate when dropping off and picking up your children from school.

**The Importance of School Attendance**



Children must attend school every day, on time (unless they are too unwell to do so). As you know, I am not permitted to authorise holidays in term time and leave of absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis.

Attendance for each class this week:

Class	Attendance this week
Spitfires – F2	95.8%
Lancaster – Year 1	100%
Hurricanes – Year 2	93.8%
Hunter – Year 3	98.4%
Harriers – Year 4	97.6%
Mosquito – Year 5	93.7%
Comet – Year 6	95.4%
Overall	96.6%

**Lancaster Class – Year 1** are our attendance champions for this week – **100%** attendance!



## **School Applications**

For those of you who have a child due to start main school in September 2024, please note that the closing date for applications via Notts County Council is **this coming Monday 15th January**.

## **Ofsted Parent View**

Parents and carers can give their views of our school at any time of the school year and at the time of a school inspection using an online questionnaire called Parent View.



When our school is notified of its next Ofsted inspection, parents will be invited to give their views about the school to inspectors using the Parent View online facility.

Please register with an email address and a password at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> - Once your login has been activated, it only takes a few minutes to complete answers to 12 short questions about our school.

Your views are important in helping inspectors decide about our school, and to help us know what is going well and what could be improved. If you do not have a computer or an email address or if you would like help to use Parent View, please come into school and ask at reception.

## **Nottinghamshire Refugee Forum Non-Uniform Day**

On Friday January 19th, we will be having a whole school non-uniform day to support the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Refugee Forum and Nottinghamshire clothing bank, who visited Year 6 last term to support their enquiry learning focus.

Year 6 has worked incredibly hard learning about refugees and the unimaginable challenges that they face as a result of war, discrimination, persecution, displacement and poverty. The children's individual websites will soon be up and running, showcasing key aspects of their learning. On our January 19th non-uniform day, could you please donate one item from the attached list from the following categories:

- An item of clothing (especially men's if possible)
- Non-perishable packaged food
- A hygiene product e.g. toothpaste, shower gel etc

Please see the posters attached to the Class Dojo post for more detail regarding the required items. Thank you very much in advance for your support.

I wish you all a fantastic 2024!

Mr K Clowery