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Spring Term Newsletter 8

Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

World Book Day

On World Book Day we will be hosting a Book Café as an opportunity to celebrate sharing stories together.

We are delighted to invite you to join your child in the Junior Hall to enjoy a cosy reading session. Please see the poster for full details of the time slots. We have now added session times for Nursery and Reception classes.

If your child attends 30 hours Nursery, please attend one time slot only.

We kindly ask that children remain in school for the full day and are not taken home early following the Book Café, as learning activities will continue as normal after the event.

We look forward to celebrating a love of reading with you!

Choir Concert

A reminder that we have our exciting school choir concert this Friday, where our children will be singing together in chorus with nine schools.

We might be slightly late back for lunch, so your child can take a snack with them on the day.

Mothers' Day Breakfast

Mothers' Day Breakfast requests must be booked and paid for by tomorrow at 12pm please. This is because we have to allow the kitchen team enough time to put the food orders in.

You can choose either of the two early morning slots on Thursday March 12 or Monday March 16.

Breakfast will be served between 7.45am and 8.40am in our Junior School hall. Please be aware that, in order for children and staff to be in class for 8.40am, last breakfast orders will be served each day at 8.25am.

Places for parents and children will be charged at £2 each. Please make the relevant payment via Parent Pay or bring cash to the school office by Tuesday 3rd March. Please note that without payment you will not be allowed entry.

If you need to get away to work before school starts, you will be able to leave your children in our childcare/creche after you have eaten your breakfast together.

After-School Clubs

A reminder that this week is the final week for our after-school enrichment clubs for the spring term.



Wear Yellow to Support the Stags

To celebrate Mansfield Town Football Club's big game on Saturday against Arsenal in the fifth round of the FA Cup, we are going to have a non-uniform day this Friday. It will be 'wear Yellow' to support the Stags!

Children can come in something yellow, or their own football kits, or something else that's comfy.

If your child is going to the choir event that day, then they can change into their yellow outfit when we get back to school in the afternoon.

Parents' Evening

We have our spring term parents' evenings scheduled on Tuesday March 17, Wednesday March 18 and Thursday March 19.

Appointment booking forms were sent home last Friday. If you've not got your form, please see your child's teacher for another copy.

Communication Platform and Update Sheets

We have recently changed our Data systems in line with Derbyshire County Council's roll out of Arbor. Due to the migration of data between systems, it is imperative that we ensure all data is accurate and up to date. Therefore, last week your child should have brought home a data collection sheet in a named envelope.

Please complete this form by Wednesday 4th March and post it into the confidential post box that will be outside the school office (main entrance) every morning and afternoon.

We have also had notification that Szapp is also ceasing trading and therefore we need to find an alternative method of communications. We have opted into the communications package with Arbor and will be rolling out invitations to this once your completed data collection sheet has been returned and information has been updated.

As you can appreciate this may come with teething problems while we try and iron out the finer details of the cross-over of communication platforms.

Dinner Menu

This week's school dinner menu is outlined below:

Week 3		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17.11.25	The Main Event	Vegetarian Sausage Roll, with Baked Beans & Mashed Potatoes	Pork or Vegetarian Meatball Sub with a side of Pasta & Seasonal Vegetables	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken Curry with Mixed Rice, Seasonal Vegetables & Flatbread	Golden Crumbed Fish Fingers with Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn
08.12.25	Alternative Choice	Pasta with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Seasonal Vegetables	Jacket Potato with Filling & Seasonal Vegetables	A Quorn Fillet with Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Mac & Cheese with Seasonal Vegetables & Flatbread	Cheese Panini with Chips, Peas & Sweetcorn
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02.02.26	Daily Choice	Egg Sandwich Jacket with Cheese	Ham Sandwich Jacket with Beans	Tuna Sandwich Pasta Bake	Chicken Sandwich Jacket with Tuna	Bacon Sandwich Jacket with Beans
02.03.26						
23.03.26	Dessert	Cookie	50% Bitesize Chocolate Crunch with Fruit	Cook's Choice of Mousse	Toffee Apple Muffin	NEW Saucy Chocolate Pudding

Chocolate Bingo Night

And finally, tickets for our upcoming Chocolate Bingo Night will go on sale this Thursday. We are capping it at 150 tickets this time around. We are looking to introduce a card payment system soon and hope to be able to roll this out for the first time at this event.

Many thanks for your continued help and support,

Nadeem Shah

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Executive Headteacher



Spring Term Diary Dates 2026

Monday March 2	Year 4 Trip to the Jorvik Viking Centre
	Superstar Sports with FS1 (Nursery)
	Fire Safety with Year 2 and Year 6
Tuesday March 3	Year 1 Butterflies Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Wheeldon
	World Book Day paper plates hand in date
	Tear 5/6 Basketball District Finals at Shirebrook Academy
	Library visit – Year 1 Butterflies
Wednesday March 4	Year 1 Rabbits Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Melvin
Thursday March 5	World Book Day
	Tickets go on sale for Chocolate Bingo Night *new date
Friday March 6	Wear Yellow to support Mansfield Town Football Club *new date
	Choir Concert at Frasers Group Auditorium
	Final day for After-School Enrichment Clubs
Monday March 9	Assessment Week
	Book Fair in all week
Tuesday March 10	FS2 Monkeys Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thornewill
	Library visit – FS2 Monkeys
Wednesday March 11	FS2 Elephants Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Watson
Thursday March 12	Parent Forum at 9am
	Mothers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Junior School hall
Friday March 13	Non-Uniform Day with Easter Egg Donation
Monday March 16	Mothers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Junior School hall
Tuesday March 17	FS1 Ladybirds Class Assembly at 9am and 2.30pm – Mrs Gardner
	Library visit – FS2 Elephants
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 18	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 19	Parents' Evening
Friday March 20	FS1 (Nursery) new starters meeting
	Family Event 'Chocolate Bingo Night' at 5pm
Tuesday March 24	Library visit – Class 6P
	Year 1/2 Easter Service at the Church at 1.30pm
dWednesday March 25	Year 2 Mrs Grayson's Class Chesterfield Visit *new date
	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
	Year 5/6 Easter Service at the Church at 10am
Thursday March 26	Year 2 Mrs Mills' Class Chesterfield Visit *new date
	Year 3/4 Easter Service at the Church at 10am
Friday March 27	Easter Egg and Easter Bonnet Competition
	Last day of autumn half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2026

Monday April 13	Children return to school
	Swimming Pool on site for 2 weeks
Tuesday April 14	Library visit – Class 6M
Friday April 17	Class Newsletters sent home
Tuesday April 21	Library visit – Class 5R

Monday April 27	After-School Enrichment Clubs begin
Tuesday April 28	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Beckett
	Library visit – Class 5W
Wednesday April 29	Year 4 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Chapman
Monday May 4	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 5	Bikeability for Year 4
	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday May 6	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thompson
	Class 4B Trip to Eyam
	Bikeability for Year 5
Thursday May 7	Year 3 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Johnston
	Bikeability for Year 5
Friday May 8	Class 4C Trip to Eyam
	Bikeability for Year 5
Monday May 11	Year 6 SATs Week – Monday to Thursday
Tuesday May 12	Library visit – Class 4C
Friday May 15	Year 6 Trip to the Mill Adventure Base
Tuesday May 19	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Wheeldon
	Library visit – Class 4B
Wednesday May 20	Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Melvin
Thursday May 21	Last day of summer half-term 1 for the children
Friday May 22	Inset Day
Monday June 1	Children return to school
	Enrichment Week (children off curriculum all week)
	Year 4 Residential trip to Walesby Forest (3 days and 2 nights)
Tuesday June 2	Year 5 Residential trip to Scarborough (3 days and 2 nights)
	Library visit – Class 3J
Wednesday June 3	Year 6 Residential trip to London (3 days and 2 nights)
	Year 4 return from Walesby Forest
Thursday June 4	Year 5 return from Scarborough
	Year 2 overnight sleepover at school
Friday June 5	Year 6 return from London
Tuesday June 9	Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Mills
	Library visit – Class 3T
Wednesday June 10	Year 2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Grayson
Tuesday June 16	Year 6 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Powers
	Library visit – Class FS1 Ladybirds
Wednesday June 17	Year 6 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Marriott
Thursday June 18	Fathers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Infant School
Friday June 19	Last day for After-School Enrichment Clubs
Monday June 22	Fathers' Day Breakfast from 7.45am – Junior School
	Assessment Week
Tuesday June 23	FS2 Class Assembly at 9am – Mrs Watson
	Library visit – Year 2 Owls
Wednesday June 24	FS2 Class Assembly at 9am – Miss Thornewill
Tuesday June 30	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Rodgers

	Library visit – Year 2 Dragonflies
Wednesday July 1	Year 5 Class Assembly at 9am – Mr Watson
	SEND Learning Plans Review – Parents' Meeting
Tuesday July 7	Library visit – Year 1 Butterflies
Wednesday July 8	EYFS Sports Day at 9.15am
Wednesday July 8	Summer Disco and Year 6 Prom
Thursday July 9	Sports Day for Years 1/2/3 at 9.30am
	Sports Day for Years 4/5/6 at 1.15pm
Tuesday July 14	Library visit – Year 1 Rabbits
Thursday July 16	Colour Run
Friday July 17	Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday July 21	Band Showcase at 2.30pm
	End of Year Reports sent home
Wednesday July 22	Year 2 Graduation at 9.30am
Thursday July 23	Year 6 Graduation at 9.30am and Year 6 Leavers Events (pm)
	Last day of summer half-term 2

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2026

Friday September 4	Inset Day
Monday September 7	Children return to school
Thursday October 15	Year 3 children leave for Sherwood Forest residential
Friday October 16	Year 3 children return from Sherwood Forest residential
Friday October 23	Last day of autumn half-term 1
Monday November 2	Inset Day
Tuesday November 3	Children return to school
Friday December 18	Last day of autumn half-term 2

Spring Term Diary Dates 2027

Monday January 4, 2027	Inset Day
Tuesday January 5, 2027	Children return to school
Friday February 12, 2027	Last day of spring half-term 1
Monday February 22, 2027	Children return to school
Thursday March 25, 2027	Last day of spring half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2027

Monday April 12, 2027	Children return to school
Monday May 3, 2027	Bank Holiday
Monday May 24, 2027	Enrichment Week 2027 (Residential to Walesby Forest for Year 4, Scarborough for Year 5 and London for Year 6)
Friday May 28, 2027	Last day of summer half-term 1
Monday June 7, 2027	Children return to school
Friday July 23, 2027	Last day of summer half-term 2
Monday July 26, 2027	Inset Day