

Forest Fields Primary & Nursery School

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Friday 27th March 2026, week 25

Hello Parents and Carers,

The term has flown by so quickly! Many thanks for all your support with events this term.



School is now closed for the Easter holiday. Please note that school re-opens on Monday 13th April and we look forward to seeing you all then.

Wishing you a blessed Easter



Wishing all our families celebrating a joyful and peaceful Easter this holiday. From all of us at Forest Fields, we wish all of our families observing Easter a very blessed Easter!

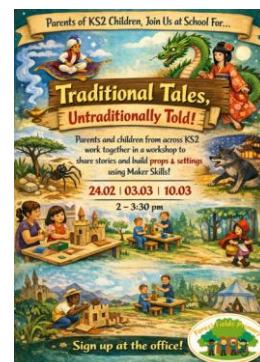


'Mutual respect and tolerance'



Traditional Tales, Untraditionally Told! Workshops

Many thanks to all the parents and carers who joined us for the Traditional Tales, Untraditionally Told! Workshops where parents and carers and pupils applied their Maker Skills!



School Age Vaccination Catch-up – a message from the Public Health Nottingham team

Missed a vaccination at school?

If you live in Nottingham or Nottinghamshire and have a secondary school-aged child who has missed a vaccination, you can make a free appointment for one of our catch up sessions. Families can book appointments with IntraHealth to attend convenient local sessions. In Nottingham City, clinics will run at Nottingham High School on Waverley Mount (NG7 4ED) **Tuesday 7th April**, offering appointments from 9:30am to 4:00pm and The Mary Potter Centre on Gregory Boulevard (NG7 5HY) on **Thursday 9th April** from 10am to 4pm. There are also a range of other options across Nottinghamshire as well. Call Intrahealth on 0333 358 3397 option 4 followed by option 2 to book.



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 option 2



Monday 30th March 2026	Chilwell Family Hub Great Hoggett Drive, Chilwell NG9 4HQ	9.30am-3.30pm
Tuesday 31st March 2026	Intrahealth Unit 2, East Bridgford Business Park, Kneeton Road, East Bridgford, Nottingham, NG13 8PJ	10am-4.00pm
Wednesday 1st April 2026	Summer House Family Hub Clare Road, Off Leamington Drive, NG17 5BB	9.30am-3.30pm
Thursday 2nd April 2026	Arnbrook Family Hub Bestwood Lodge Dr, Arnold, NG5 8NE. (Located off Home Close	9.30am-4.00pm
Tuesday 7th April 2026	Nottingham High School, Wavely Mount, Nottingham NG7 4ED	9.30am-4.00pm
Tuesday 7th April 2026	Hucknall Family Hub (Ashfield Family Hub) (Butlers Hill and Broomhill) - Broomhill Road, Nottingham NG15 6AJ	10am-3.30pm
Wednesday 8th April 2026	Retford Family Hub, Spa Lane, Retford DN22 6EA	10am-3.30pm
Thursday 9th April 2026	The Mary Potter Centre, 76 Gregory Blvd, Radford, Nottingham NG7 5HY	10am-4pm

Scan the QR code for more information and a full list of clinics:



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Year 4 Viking Workshop

Today Year 4 had a Viking Workshop in school, to support pupils with their learning in history.

Some pupils shared that they loved the chance to hold replica swords and shields and also have the ability to recall information they learned about the Vikings in Spring 2. Please see Class Dojo for photos.

A Nottingham City Council Public Health Team

Dear parents and carers,

You may have seen news stories about the meningitis cases in Kent. We know this can be worrying but would like to reassure you that this situation is very rare, and we have not seen cases linked to the outbreak here in Nottingham. Meningitis is passed on through close contact with another person and the risk of catching it is low. However, it can be very serious if not treated quickly, so we encourage all parents and carers of children and young people and students to be aware of the signs and symptoms:

- Sudden onset of high temperature (fever)
- Severe and worsening headache
- Stiff neck
- Vomiting and diarrhoea
- Joint and muscle pain
- Dislike of bright lights
- Very cold hands and feet
- Seizures (fits)
- Confusion/delirium
- Extreme sleepiness/difficulty waking
- A rash that doesn't fade when pressed with a glass

MenB vaccines are only available on the NHS to those aged under 2 years, unless you are in the specific groups being offered it in response to the Kent outbreak. Other free vaccines also protect against diseases that can cause meningitis. We encourage families and young people to check whether they have missed any of their routine vaccinations. You can do this by contacting your GP practice online or by phone.

The school vaccination service are offering catch-up clinics for secondary school aged children in the Easter holidays. See [SAIS catch-up clinics](#) | [Nottinghamshire County Council](#) for further information.

For more information, please see:

[Meningitis - NHS](#)

[Meningitis: Parents, young people and students urged to check vaccination status - NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB](#)



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MenACWY vaccination information (offered to young people in Year 9 or 10, catch-up vaccination available free before 25th birthday):

[MenACWY vaccine: information for young people - GOV.UK](#)

[Meningitis and septicaemia – information for students in schools and sixth form colleges \(text only\) - GOV.UK](#)

Nottingham City Council Public Health Team

Please see leaflets they have shared below.

Meningitis

Meningitis is a serious condition where the protective layers around the brain and spinal cord become inflamed. It can happen to anyone, so it's important to know the symptoms and risks.

Early symptoms, such as fever, vomiting, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet and headaches, can look similar to common illnesses like colds or flu. But someone with meningitis will usually become seriously ill in a matter of hours. That's why it's crucial to keep checking on anyone who is unwell.

Symptoms

- Sudden onset of high fever
- severe and worsening headache
- stiff neck
- vomiting and diarrhoea
- joint and muscle pain
- dislike of bright lights
- very cold hands and feet
- seizures
- confusion/delirium
- extreme sleepiness/difficulty waking
- a rash that doesn't fade when pressed with a glass.

If you become worried about yourself, your child, or a friend, particularly if symptoms are getting worse, seek medical help urgently. Early treatment can be life-saving.

MENINGITIS + SEPTICAEMIA

Meningitis is a serious condition where the protective layers around the brain and spinal cord become inflamed. Septicaemia is when the bacteria enter the bloodstream to cause blood poisoning. They can happen to anyone, so it's important to know the symptoms and risks.

Early symptoms, such as fever, vomiting, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet and headaches, can look similar to common illnesses like colds or flu. But someone with meningitis or septicaemia will usually become seriously ill in a matter of hours. That's why it's crucial to keep checking on anyone who is unwell.

MENINGITIS SYMPTOMS?

- fever
- a very bad headache (this alone is not a reason to get medical help)
- vomiting
- stiff neck
- dislike of bright lights
- rash (DO NOT wait for a rash to appear before seeking medical advice)
- confusion, delirium
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness
- fits

SEPTICAEMIA SYMPTOMS?

- fever and shivering
- severe pains and aches in limbs and joints
- vomiting
- very cold hands and feet
- pale or blotchy skin
- rapid breathing
- diarrhoea and stomach cramps
- red or purple 'bruised' or blotchy rash on skin that does not fade under pressure - do the glass test. On dark skin, check paler areas of the skin, such as the palms of the hands, soles of the feet, inside the mouth (roof), and the eyelids
- difficulty walking or standing
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness

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A message from Nottingham Police

Nottinghamshire Police are hosting two free online webinars designed to help parents, carers, and anyone working with children strengthen their online security and protect their families from digital threats.

These sessions will provide clear, practical advice to help you secure your accounts & devices and support young people to stay safe online.

What the webinar covers:

- Creating and managing strong passwords
- Setting up 2-Step Verification
- Using parental controls
- Practical tips for managing children's devices
- Keeping online accounts secure and private
- Guidance for survivors and families wanting to feel safer online

Webinar Dates & Times:

30 April 2026, 13:00–14:30

09 June 2026, 18:00–19:30

For more information go to:

👉 [East Midlands Cyber Secure | police](https://www.eastmidlands.gov.uk/cybersecure)

These sessions are a great opportunity to build confidence, strengthen online safety, and learn easy steps you can put into action straight away.

Please see their poster below:



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ONLINE SECURITY & FRAUD ADVICE

ONLINE SECURITY FOR PARENTS, CARERS & ANYONE WORKING WITH CHILDREN

JOIN OUR FREE WEBINAR TO HELP PROTECT ALL OF YOUR ONLINE ACCOUNTS AND DEVICES FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN.

EDUCATION FOR PARENT/CARERS SURVIVORS WANTING TO PROTECT THEIR FAMILY ONLINE.

THIS INCLUDES:

STRONG PASSWORDS, 2-STEP VERIFICATION, PARENTAL CONTROLS, TOP TIPS FOR MANAGING CHILDREN'S DEVICES AND KEEPING ONLINE ACCOUNTS SECURE AND PRIVATE.

DATE: 30/04/2026 & 09/06/2026
TIME: 13:00 -14:30 & 18:00 -19:30

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Easter Holiday Clubs

HAF is back this Spring holiday!

Children who receive benefits related Free School Meals can take part in free, fun activities and enjoy a healthy lunch every day.

Book a place using the link below:

<https://eequ.org/nottinghamcityholidayactivitiesandfoodhaf>

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

Nottingham City EASTER HAF

**Bookings open
13th March 7:30am**

If your child receives Benefits Related Free School meals you can book 4 amazing activity sessions during the Easter Holidays.

Or go to this link:
eequ.org/nottinghamcityholidayactivitiesandfoodhaf

St Ann's Community Orchard

Spring Youth HAF Sessions

Outdoor fun and learning for
ages 10 - 14

Wednesday 1st April
Thursday 2nd April
Wednesday 8th April
Thursday 9th April
10am - 2pm

Cooking
Orienteering
Swing ball
& team games
Archery
Whittling and more!



Scan the QR code below to
book your sessions.
If your child is eligible for free
school meals, this session is
completely free!



This session is for young people only and includes drinks and lunch.



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.

Also Code Camp for 8-13 year olds

Code Camp is an exciting, hands-on holiday club where children design and build their own computer games in a fun, supportive environment. Led by experienced instructors, children learn real coding skills through creative projects, teamwork and problem-solving - building confidence as well as digital skills. No previous experience is needed, and every child leaves with



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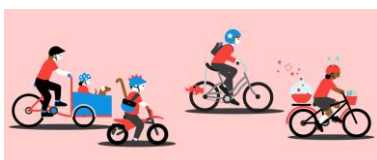


a game they've created themselves! As part of our HAF programme, children also receive a nutritious meal and enjoy a mix of active breaks and social activities alongside their coding sessions.

Code Camp will be at Nottingham Girls' High School during the Easter holidays (31st March and 1st April); you can book both days or just the day that suit your child. There are limited places available each day, so book today to secure your child's place!

[CODE CAMP with Code Camp - Eegu](#)

Bike-ability



Bike-ability cycle training is back at Forest Fields Primary and Nursery School for our Year 6 Students to ensure they are equip with the skills and confidence to cycle on today's roads.



An email via Arbor has gone out this week with a link (also below) to sign your child up to the Bike-ability Program by Rise-Wise. We also have letters with a QR in the office so please come and see us if you are having any problems, we are here to help.

<https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/fee-sin-knee>



Swimming

Classes swimming are **Trailblazers** and **Composers**.

Bus arrives on Mount Street 9.45am – Please ensure children are in school for 8.40am.

Swim time 10.15am

FRIDAY	Day of the week	Swim session	Which classes are swimming?
Summer 1-2	Friday	17.04.26	3EB/3MB

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you would like to come along as a Parent helper please speak with Miss Brown or Miss Bailey.



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Message regarding attendance from Miss Horton

Good Attendance at School is very important, every child should be in school EVERYDAY. It is the responsibility of Parents and Carers to notify the school when your child is absent. Where we have received no communication, home visits will be conducted on that day.

Minor illness such as a headache, tummy ache and coughs and colds are not reason to be absent from school. Please give medication where needed and bring your child into school. If they become unwell, we will call you.

Illness Guide for Parents

On the occasions that your child is feeling unwell, it can sometimes be challenging to know whether your child is well enough to attend school or whether their illness may spread to others. Please use the simple guide below to assess whether your child is able to come to school.



Come to School

Please send your child to school if they are experiencing any of the following:

- Sore throat
- Cold
- Cough
- Feeling tired
- Hay fever
- Achy or sore limbs

Children can still take part in learning when experiencing any of the above. Give them medication if you feel they need it at the beginning of the day.

We have first aiders on-site for support if needed.

School will always contact you if your child is ill during the school day.



Come to School, But Let us Know

Please send your child to school and inform the office if they are experiencing one of the following:

- Headache
- Feeling sick
- Stomach ache
- Ear ache
- Toothache
- Experiencing feeling of anxiety
- Twisted, sprained or broken limbs

Children can still take part in learning when experiencing any of the above. Give them medication if you feel they need it at the beginning of the day.

Students can speak with their year leader or a trusted adult.



Stay at Home

Unfortunately, there are some rare instances when your child will be too unwell to attend school due to an illness or injury. In the following instances, please keep your child at home:

- Temperature over 38 degrees
- Sickness and diarrhea
- Contagious illness (e.g., Chicken pox, impetigo)
- Operations/medical treatments

Medical evidence should be provided to school wherever possible to ensure that the absence is authorized.

Should your child be absent for more than 5 days, we request that you provide supporting evidence from a medical professional.

Please leave an absence voicemail on the student line as soon as possible if your child is not well enough to attend school that day.



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Getting our children to school on time



Thank you to everyone that gets their child here on time every day. Unfortunately we are seeing too many children arriving at school late.

We know that some days things happen however children being late this week has equated to 1230 minutes of lost learning time which is over 20 hrs. This equates to nearly 3 whole school days!

We want to promote positive habits towards punctuality to prepare children for the next stage of education and beyond

Attending school every day and being on time
gives students the **BEST CHANCE OF SUCCESS**

The best way to do this is to get into good habits now.

Please do all you can to get here on time every day, if you need any support please let us know.

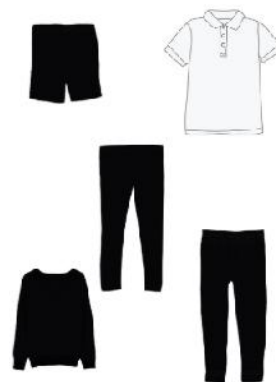
School PE kit

Please can we have your help with ensuring pupils are wearing the correct PE kit.

The indoor PE kit is a plain white T-shirt and black shorts.

Our outdoor PE kit is a plain white T-shirt and black jogging bottoms/ tracksuit bottoms.

Please could you help us by having your children not wear football kits. Our thanks in advance.



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After school clubs

If your child attends an after-school club that is sports related, please can they wear their school uniform all day and please can they bring their PE clothes in a bag and change into this after school – many thanks.

We are a nut free school



Please remember that we are a nut free school. Please do not provide packed lunch that contains nuts. Please be mindful that some chocolate spreads contain nuts. Thank you for co-operation.

Many thanks. Miss Hayden

Late arrival to school

If you bring your child to school after the gate closes at 9am, you need to bring them into the office and give the reason that they are late. It is so important that all children arrive to school on time. When children arrive late, they miss vital learning time. School gates open and learning begins at 8.40am. Please ensure your child is on time every day.

Breakfast Club!!!



Breakfast clubs benefit children by improving readiness to learn, behaviour, attendance, and academic attainment (especially reading, writing, and maths) through a nutritious meal and calm start to the day, while also boosting confidence, social skills, independence.

We will provide a healthy meal and a structured, supportive environment with play and social time before lessons begin.

Available every weekday morning 7.50am – 8.40am

£1 per child per day.

Please book Breakfast club and pay (in cash) for your child at the School Office.



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A message about Arbor from the Office Team



ARBOR ACCESS

SCAN QR CODE TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT



We have sent out all Welcome messages now for parents join Arbor. Please check your emails, both inbox and junk. If you have any problems or have not received this email please come to the office and we will help you to set everything up.

Welcome to Arbor! Forest Fields Primary School is using Arbor and has set up an account for you.

To finish creating your account, you just need to reset a password.

Your username is: the email address we have sent this email too, click '**forgot password**' it will then ask you for your email address again and a password reset link will be sent to your inbox. Once completed you will log in and it will ask for your child's date of birth. You will then be set up.

It is important to set up your parent account as you will receive communications regarding events in school, trips and messages regarding your child. You can now sign your child up to attend trips and clubs on this portal too.

If you have trouble or have general questions about the Parent Portal, please contact Forest Fields Primary School on 0115 915 6872 or come and see us in the office. We will be happy to help.

All the best,
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Food Bank

Dear Parents/Carers, thank you to all who have donated so far. We would like your help by donating food for a charity to help families who are struggling with day to day living. We have a box in the School office, please feel free to come and donate.



Contact details:

Change of details for parent contact:

Pupil	Contact numbers	Who (Name, Dad etc PLEASE GIVE FULL NAMES)
1st Mobile contact		
2nd Mobile contact		
Home landline		
Parents' work ONLY used if we cannot contact someone		
Emergency contact: Please provide email to be authorised to collect your child if you are unavailable		
NEW ADDRESS:		
OFFICE USE: SMS change (Name and Email)		

Please can we strongly advise you to contact the office immediately when your contact details have changed recently (mobile numbers or address). This is really important we have up to date telephone numbers to all Parents/Carers on our system in case of any emergency.

You can call the office on 0115 915 6872, or fill the below form and bring to the school office.

Drinks/ water bottles



As you know, it's been very hot! Please could we have your continued support with sending your children with a water bottle every day. We would like to promote healthy eating and habits, so juices and other fizzy drinks are not allowed in school.



Milk



A reminder:
 If you would like your child to receive milk each day please ensure you sign up for milk directly with Cool Milk.

www.coolmilk.com



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Message from a Dentist

 **{my}dentist™**
 helping the nation smile

Free NHS Dentist Appointments for Kids
 Dear Parent,

School holidays are a great time to visit the dentist!

We are offering free NHS dental check-ups for children at my dentist Gregory Boulevard, Nottingham during the summer holidays.

- ✓ NHS appointments available
- ✓ Children of all ages welcome
- ✓ Ideal time while schools are closed
- ✓ We check for healthy teeth, braces need, and any problems early
- ✓ Emergency care also available

It's important to look after your child's teeth now, before problems grow. Even if they have no pain, a check-up helps us make sure everything is OK.

Book now to register your child and get a summer appointment:

- ☎ Call us today: 0115 9700 200
- 📍 my dentist 75 Gregory boulevard

Let us help your child smile with confidence!

Trips:

Please see below a list of upcoming trips and events over the coming weeks. Please can you ensure your child wears appropriate clothing and footwear for a trip and for the weather on the day. Please note, whilst we make every intention for children to attend every trip, there may be a possibility that a trip can be cancelled on the day.



Date	Day	Trip Name	Year
APRIL			
21/04/2026	Tuesday	Y4 Visit to Central Library	Y4
23/04/2026	Thursday	Attenborough	Y1
28/04/2026	Tuesday	Y4 Visit to Central Library	Y4
30/04/2026	Thursday	Year 5 mini Handball	Y5
07/05/2026	Thursday	KS2 Boccia festival	KS2
09/06/2026	Tuesday	Newark Castle TBC	Y5
12/06/2026	Friday	Newark Castle TBC	Y5
24/06/2026	Wednesday	Opera event at Djanogly School	Y5
25/06/2026	Thursday	Redwood Camp Residential	Y6



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Clubs:

CLUBS Overview w/c 13/04/2026								
Day	Name of Club	Where is the club?	Who is running the club?	Year	Session	Time starts	Time finishes	Date starts
	Drumming	Library	Mike Moore	KS2	Lunch	12.45	13.15	13-Apr
Monday	Drumming	Library	Mike Moore	Y5/Y6	PM	15.30	16.15	13-Apr
	Choir	Berridge Hall	Mrs Davies	KS2	PM	15.30	16.30	13-Apr
	Drumming	Library	Mike Moore	KS2	Lunch	12.45	13.15	14-Apr
Tuesday	Drumming	Library	Mike Moore	4JS/4KJ	PM	15.30	16.15	14-Apr
Wednesday	Songwriting club	Music Room	Miss Cawley	Y5/Y6	Lunch	12.45	13.15	15-Apr
Thursday	Area Band	Gladstone Hall	Miss Cawley	Y5/Y6	PM	15.30	17.00	16-Apr



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Our School Vision and Values

Please continue to support us by asking your child about our School vision & values, as we will be using these every day, and praising our pupils when we see them use these daily.

There is a table below that shows our FFPS school vision, values, rules and characteristics and how they work together.

Forest Fields Primary School Vision and Values

Together we belong and achieve



What is our vision for our children at FFPS?

We want our children to:

Work hard. Be kind. Take pride.

What are our school values?

We use them as guides for the way we behave, perform and interact with each other. We live our school values every day.

Family



We care for everyone, include everyone, help each other belong and show kindness.

Focus



We pay attention, listen carefully and try our best in everything we do.

Persevere



We keep going, trying even when something feels hard.

Success



We celebrate effort, progress and achievement and are proud of ourselves and celebrate others.



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FFPS vision, values, rules and characteristics

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Our School Vision

We have a vision that shows clearly what we want for our children.

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Our School rules

We use rules to help everyone understand what is expected and to ensure everyone has the chance to learn without interruption.

Ready



Respectful



Safe



Our School Characteristics

We have characteristics to support pupils with developing these attributes within a positive and effective school learning environment which helps both academic and personal growth for their time in school and beyond.



Class Dojo



ClassDojo

Many thanks to all our parents who have signed into Class Dojo. We have decided to use Class Dojo as a way for pupils, parents and carers to see when staff award pupils with points towards their GDPPRR characteristics.

GDPPRR characteristics stand for Gratitude, Duty,

Personal Responsibility, Provision, Respectful. This will enable parents and carers to see when their children have been given points towards each characteristic. When pupils attain 100 points within a given characteristic, we will be inviting parents into school so they can see their child receive a special mention, and their badge!



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Attendance & appointments

Please could you try to book appointments for children out of school hours to avoid missing school. If this is not possible, please ensure you bring your child into school on the day of the appointment and then come back to pick them up for their appointment nearer to the time. This ensures that children's learning loss is minimized and they can also book their school lunch.

If you return your child to school in the afternoon following an appointment, please be aware the time the afternoon sessions start is 1.15 p.m.

Lateness

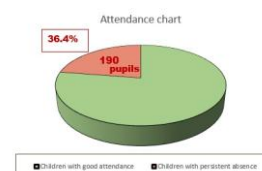
Please can you ensure your child is on time. Children are expected to arrive at school between 8.40am-9.00am (RMC time) daily. The school day starts at 9.00am and gates are closed then. Children arriving in school after 9.00am will be expected to sign in at the school office. Children arriving in school between 9.00am-9.15am will be considered late and will be issued with a late (L) mark in the register. The register closes at 9.15am and therefore any child arriving in school after 9.15am will be considered persistently late and will be issued with an unauthorised absence mark (U).

We are having a rise in children arriving late to school, which has an impact on their learning. Regular latecomers are being monitored. If you are experiencing difficulties with punctuality and would like to talk to us about it, please make an appointment with the school office, to see the Deputy Headteacher Miss Hayden, or the Attendance Officer, Meena Rana.

Persistent Absence

An absence is defined as a persistent absence "Where absence escalates and pupils miss 10% or more of school (equivalent to 1 day or more a fortnight across a full school year)" (Working together to improve school attendance Guidance for maintained schools, academies, independent schools, and local authorities, Sept 2022)

The chart shows how many children we have who are persistently absent. Please Parents and Carers, we need your help to reduce the number of children who are persistently absent by bringing your child/ children to school every day.



Attendance

This week, our whole school attendance is 87.9% and our target is 95% - this is such super news! Well done to Scholars for attending school so well this week, reaching 95% and above! Huge thanks to all our parents for bringing your children to school to raise our attendance percentage! We need your help, Parents and Carers, to continue to meet our target of 95% attendance. Our thanks in advance for your continued support. Please help your child's class to be over 95% by attending school every day.



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Reception & KSI Attendance		KS2 Attendance	
Group	% Attendance	Group	% Attendance
Inventors F2AP	86%	Architects 3EB	91.51%
Investigators F2KS	89.39%	Trailblazers 3MB	92.81%
Creators F2LC	87.41%	Composers 3ZM	93.95%
Adventurers IBTE	91.88%	Linguists 4CR	92.72%
Designers IMF	89.53%	Curators 4JS	92.86%
Enquirers ISE	91.51%	Philosophers 4KJ	92.15%
Performers 2CR	88.87%	Strategists 5BD	94.9%
Athletes 2KA	93.18%	Innovators 5CU	91.77%
Engineers 2MB	93.67%	Analysts 5MG	93.37%
		Scholars 6EH	95.39%
		Leaders 6MS	88.41%
		Entrepreneurs 6SM	94.12%

Stay safe and be well.

Shahida Chowdhury

Mrs Shahida Chowdhury, Headteacher

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Our School Development Plan for 2025 - 2026

Every year we create a new School Development Plan, based on improving provision and outcomes for our children. Please see our summary on a page, that shows what we're doing to improve our school this year.

SDP on a page (A child's view)

Insistent, persistent, consistent

With attendance we want children to attend school every day, to meet our target of 95%

We are continuing to achieve the OPAL platinum award.

In Year 1, we want all children to pass the national phonics screening test to help them with their reading and accessing the curriculum.

In reading we want to children to love reading as many non-fiction and fiction books as they can. This will help them to develop their vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension.

All our staff will be trained to be trauma informed and attachment aware by TISCUK, so all adults in school are emotionally available for all our children to support them further.

We will continue to be working with Nottingham Music Hub, Beatfeet, Historic England, Arts Mark, NST networks, Classics for All, Nottingham Trent University and the University of Nottingham to develop cultural capital about the world around us.

In English, we will be focussing on teaching oracy as we want all children to be confident with speaking by knowing how to make themselves heard and how they use their voice and body to do this, how to answer questions, how to add challenge, use a variety of speaking stems which will develop vocabulary, how to use different types of talk, and how to speak and engage with people around them in various ways.

What are we doing to improve our school this year?

In writing, children will be orally rehearsing what they would like to write, and apply age related grammar knowledge to their writing. We will be insisting that handwriting is as neat as can be, that children are persistent with their spelling and that children are consistent with oracy and apply what they have read to their writing.

We will be ensuring that oracy is incorporated in all subjects, and teaching is adapted for all learners, including pupils with PP, SEND & EAL.

This year our school Governors will be continuing to support the school by making visits with Subject Leads to see how oracy is incorporated, & teaching is adapted in all subjects, with a particular focus on pupils with PP, SEND & EAL.

We created our school mantra: **Work hard. Be Kind. Take Pride.** This was taken from the posters about our school rules of being ready, respectful & safe.

We want to make sure that all pupils make excellent progress and are ready for their next stage of learning.

In Maths, we want children to be fluent with recalling number facts through KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts), and through practising their times tables knowledge by using 'rolling numbers'. Please can children practise their KIRFs per half term, 'rolling numbers' & TTRS.

In the Foundation Stage, we want children to learn their phonics and apply these to reading. We want children to speak confidently. We would like all children to be confident writers. We want all children to learn through play and learning led continuous provision.

We will continue to develop characteristics of GPPRR: gratitude, duty, personal responsibility, provision, respectful behaviour & resilience.

We will be continuing to increase the number of children achieving the expected standard, and greater depth standard, in reading, writing, grammar, maths and science in all year groups.

Our pupil school leaders will make sure that children's voices are heard and they are involved in different projects across school.



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Our FFPS school vision, values, rules and characteristics

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Reminder of Term Dates 2025 - 2026

AUGUST 2025	SEPTEMBER 2025	OCTOBER 2025
M 4 11 18 25	M 1 8 15 22 29	M 6 13 20 27
T 5 12 19 26	T 2 9 16 23 30	T 7 14 21 28
W 6 13 20 27	W 3 10 17 24	W 1 8 15 22 29
T 7 14 21 28	T 4 11 18 25	T 2 9 16 23 30
F 1 8 15 22 29	F 5 12 19 26	F 3 10 17 24 31
S 2 9 16 23 30	S 6 13 20 27	S 4 11 18 25
S 3 10 17 24 31	S 7 14 21 28	S 5 12 19 26
NOVEMBER 2025	DECEMBER 2025	JANUARY 2026
M 3 10 17 24	M 1 8 15 22 29	M 5 12 19 26
T 4 11 18 25	T 2 9 16 23 30	T 6 13 20 27
W 5 12 19 26	W 3 10 17 24 31	W 7 14 21 28
T 6 13 20 27	T 4 11 18 25	T 1 8 15 22 29
F 7 14 21 28	F 5 12 19 26	F 2 9 16 23 30
S 1 8 15 22 29	S 6 13 20 27	S 3 10 17 24 31
S 2 9 16 23 30	S 7 14 21 28	S 4 11 18 25
FEBRUARY 2026	MARCH 2026	APRIL 2026
M 2 9 16 23	M 2 9 16 23 30	M 6 13 20 27
T 3 10 17 24	T 3 10 17 24 31	T 7 14 21 28
W 4 11 18 25	W 4 11 18 25	W 1 8 15 22 29
T 5 12 19 26	T 5 12 19 26	T 2 9 16 23 30
F 6 13 20 27	F 6 13 20 27	F 3 10 17 24
S 7 14 21 28	S 7 14 21 28	S 4 11 18 25
S 1 8 15 22	S 1 8 15 22 29	S 5 12 19 26
MAY 2026	JUNE 2026	JULY 2026
M 4 11 18 25	M 1 8 15 22 29	M 6 13 20 27
T 5 12 19 26	T 2 9 16 23 30	T 7 14 21 28
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Key		
In school		
School holiday		
Public holiday		
In Service Training Day		
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