

Newsletter 6 – Friday 10th October 2025

Nottinghamshire County Council site rules

Please be reminded that this is a Nottinghamshire County Council site and therefore, we have site rules that we must follow.

Dogs are strictly prohibited from the school site. This means anywhere on the school site including the drive and the paths around school. Please also be advised that waiting with a dog in the alleyway at the bottom of school can also cause problems as it is a narrow space with lots of people passing through.

Smoking **and vaping** is also prohibited on the school site.

Please adhere to these rules when visiting the school site to ensure the safety and comfort of all adults and children.

Freestyle football

Year 1 to Year 6 had a fabulous time in their freestyle football workshops this week. They attended a super exciting assembly first with Ash. The highlight being a competition between Mrs. Fisher, Jaxon and Shayla to see who could hold the football under their chin with their knee and hop the most times. In true Mrs. Fisher style, there was no way she would let the children win and she was declared the winner with 24 hops!! I've ordered a bag of footballs for lunchtime so that the children can keep practising their tricks.



Fabulous footballers

Our girls football team were in action at their first game of the season on Monday night. They are playing in the Eastwood and district league this year and as always, they were an absolute credit – the other school's PE lead even messaged Mrs. Fisher to say so. A huge well done to Olivia, Rosie, Amelia, Isla, Layla, Ella and Imogen – especially as they all played a full match with no subs!

Sherwood Forest for Year 2

On Thursday, our Year 2 children headed off to Sherwood Forest in a hunt for Robin Hood. They had a fabulous time learning facts about Robin and his merry men, learning about the different trees and the Major Oak and den building with their friends. The Year 2s represented school beautifully and everyone had a fabulous day. A huge thank you to Mrs. Cottee and the KS1 team for organising and to all of the parent helpers who helped to make it possible. Year 1 are super excited to be doing the same trip on Tuesday.

Dancing at the disco

A huge thank you to Friends of Holly Hill for organising a fabulous disco on Wednesday night. We all had a great time – whether you came to dance or just eat hot dogs!! There was a brilliant atmosphere at both discos but a special shout out to the Year 5 boys who are absolute party animals and can do a very impressive Macarena routine too! Looking forward to our next all-day disco at Christmas!

Harvest collection

Thanks to everyone for their generous Harvest donations so far. The table in the entrance hall is getting full and will be gratefully received by St. Helen's church. The last date for donations is next Tuesday and our Harvest celebration will take place that afternoon with Reverend Lee.

Clothing bags

Next week, your child will bring home a bag for clothing donations. These are then weighed in and raise money for our PTA. It's an ideal time to fill one if you're having a clear out during the half term break. They come with a leaflet that has all of the details you will need on it – look out for it next week.

SEND coffee afternoon

On Thursday 16th October at 2.00pm, Mrs Rotherham (SENCO) will be available if any parents of children with SEND or parents who feel their child may have SEND would like to come in for a coffee and a chat. Information will be available around what to do if you feel your child may have SEND and where to go if you feel you need additional support. This will be an informal session and anyone is welcome. If you would like to talk about your child in more detail and away from others, Mrs Rotherham will also be available throughout parent's evening.

'Show racism the red card' day

Next Friday, we will be supporting 'show racism the red card' by wearing red to school. No donation is needed for this.

Pumpkin competition

Next Friday is also our annual pumpkin competition organised by Friends of Holly Hill. If your child would like to take part they just need to bring their creatively decorated/carved pumpkin to school with them next Friday along with a £1 donation. Friends of Holly Hill have organised lots of fabulous prizes which will be awarded on the same day. At the end of the day, please remember to take your pumpkin home with you.

The week ahead ...

- Tuesday 14th October – Last day for Harvest donations
- Tuesday 14th October – Year 1 trip to Sherwood Forest
- Thursday 16th October – Year 3/4 trip to Carsington Water
- Thursday 16th October, 2pm – SEND coffee afternoon with Mrs. Rotherham
- Friday 17th October – Wear red for 'show racism the red card' day
- Friday 17th October – FOHH Pumpkin competition

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs. Leanne Steed

Headteacher

Attendance heroes

Good attendance in school is extremely important. The government target for good attendance is 96%.

This week's winners were Kingfisher class with 99.7% Well done Kingfishers!!

RECEPTION	85.7%	KINGFISHERS	97.7%
PUFFINS	88.6%	DOVES	90.4%
WRENS	95.6%	SWALLOWS	95.8%
WOODPECKERS	96.7%	OWLS	90.9%
		FALCONS	88.1%
		SWANS	96.6%
WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SO FAR THIS YEAR (excluding Nursery)			
		94.6%	

