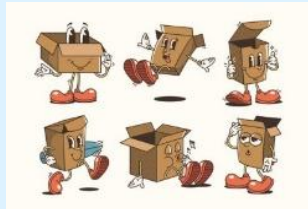




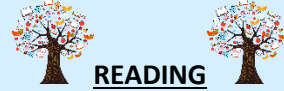
A note from Mrs Beardsley

A huge thank you to all our parents for your overwhelming support throughout our parents' evenings this week. It is truly a pleasure to share with you the many successes that your children are having. I know they have all made us proud! If you have not been able to attend parents' evening this week, please contact your child's teacher. We wish everyone a safe, happy and restful half term and look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 3rd November!



KS1 Box modelling

Could we please ask for any box modelling supplies that you may have in your recycling at home? Any small boxes, tubes etc. would be very much appreciated for our model making and creative work over the year.



READING

With December fast approaching, you may be preparing to buy an advent calendar to count down to Christmas. Advent calendars containing books seem to be more popular than ever this year and what a lovely idea it is...a new book each day leading up to Christmas would be a lovely activity to share in an evening as the weather gets colder!

This Gruffalo Advent Calendar Book Collection, featuring our author of the term, is on offer at the moment for £8.



It is with great sadness that we announce that we have Mrs Turner, Mrs Walker and Mrs Yard will be leaving the William Lilley family. Although they will be greatly missed, we wish them all the best in their next adventures and would like to thank them for all their hard work and commitment to the children and families of William Lilley.

We are pleased to announce that Mrs Mellors, Ms Khan and Mrs Garner are thrilled to join our William Lilley family. I am sure you will support us in giving them a warm welcome to our fabulous team.

As we near the end of this half term, we politely request that all monies due are settled by the end of term, **Friday 17th October.**



Our jar of names for the Attendance Prize is filling up! To be in with a chance to win it, your child will need to be in school every day for at least one week. Each week that they are, their name will be placed into a jar and at the end of this term, a name will be selected to be the lucky winner! Last week 74 out of 89 children were entered! What an incredible end to this half term.

Holiday Club



Don't forget there are still spaces at - Monday 27th to Friday 31st October from 8am – 5pm. We are also partnering with our collaboration school, Banks Road Infant and Nursery School in Toton who are offering the second half of the half term Monday 20th to Friday 24th October from 8am – 5pm

To find out more please visit www.rattleandrollperformance.com or call 07722 014301

Free for all children in receipt of free school meals. All other children can attend for £25 a day.

If you are struggling with the cost, please let the school office know. All childcare vouchers are accepted.



What a great first half-term we have had, lots of fun and games alongside arts crafts and theme nights. Have a lovely rest and we look forward to seeing the children back after half-term. Bookings are now open for wraparound care for after half term via the school money app.





Calendar 2025-2026

Date	Event	Time	Who?
Monday 3rd November	School reopens	8.45	Whole school
Monday 10th November	Toys Past & Present	All day	Kingfishers Flamingos Puffins
Tuesday 11th November	5 Year olds Dental Survey	13.00	5 Year Olds
Friday 14th November	Children in Need	All Day	Whole school
Tuesday 18th November	Nursery & Reception Open Day	Sessions throughout the day	Presepective Parents September 2026
Wednesday 26th November	Nursery & Reception Open Day	Sessions throughout the day	Presepective Parents September 2026

School Reopens Monday 3rd November

Inset day Friday 5th December

Last Day of Term Friday 19th December

Year Group News

Early Years Foundation Stage (2 Year olds, F1 and F2)



Brilliant Butterflies and Lovely Ladybirds

This week the children have enjoyed going for a walk around our local area to identify and talk about different types of houses we live in. The children enjoyed taking part in the walk and were so well behaved. We also had a go at drawing our own story map of 'The Colour Monster' and retold the story.



After half term we will be focusing on the book 'The Leaf Man' as we talk about the signs of Autumn in our outside area and how Autumn compares to other seasons eg. weather. We will also be learning about Bonfire Night and reading a simple story of the gunpowder plot. Our activities will include lots of leaf art and firework pictures. We will also be starting our PE sessions so please ensure PE kits are in school. The Brilliant Butterflies will do PE on a Monday afternoon and the Lovely Ladybirds will do PE on a Wednesday afternoon.

We hope you all have a lovely half term and a well-deserved rest. The children have had an amazing first half term in Reception and we are very proud of all they have achieved.

Busy Bees

It has been another fun filled week in the Busy Bees. We have been busy continuing to learn our story "We're going on a bear hunt" and are now really good at re-telling it as a group. After half term we will be looking at the story "Leaf Man". We will also be learning about bonfire night.

This week we have had to say goodbye to Mrs Turner and Mrs Walker and we would like to wish them all the best in their next steps. After half term Mrs Wright will be working with blue group. There will still be lots of familiar faces around the unit and we will ensure the transition is as easy as possible for the children.



Have a super half term, get lots of rest ready to start again when we return to school!

Creative Caterpillars It has been fantastic to see the progress made the two-year-olds this half term. The language that they are starting to develop has been a joy to watch! This week they have been working with the enclosing schema- this has involved den making, wrapping babies in blankets and many more fun activities. Our focus words for after half term will remain the same: "hello" "please" and thank you." We will continue to base our learning on our schemas after half term. We will be focusing on the connecting schema when we return to school, we will also think about bonfire night and explore more of the season of autumn. Have a super break and we can't wait to continue building our language and play skills after half term.



Key Stage One (Year 1 and 2)



What a fantastic first half term we have had! It seems to have absolutely flown by and the children have settled in to Year 1 and 2 life incredibly well.

Thank you for all of your support this half term. It was wonderful to catch up with so many of you share how your children have been getting on at parents evening this week.

PE kits have been sent home for washing over half term. Please return kits during the first week back. PE days will remain the same for each class after the holidays:

Kingfishers – Monday and Thursday
Puffins = Tuesday and Thursday
Flamingos – Wednesday and Thursday

We will also be starting our new topic "Surprise! Surprise!" so keep an eye out for the new knowledge organiser coming home after the holidays. This topic is based all around the history of toys. The text that we will be using in English to support this topic, is Toy Story.



Have a lovely half term break we will see you back on **Monday 3rd November.**

NEW event for parents and carers of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

Event

Where: Chilwell Family Hub

When: Thursday 13 November 2025

Time: From 1pm to 3pm

Come and join a community support event designed to make our SEND information and resources more accessible.

Drop in at any time! Stay as long as you like, enjoy refreshing cold soft drinks and delicious cake.

This is an opportunity for families to come together, connect and chat with SEND professionals to find out about the support available in Nottinghamshire.

Chilwell Family Hub
Great Hoggett Drive
Chilwell
Nottinghamshire
NG9 4HQ

On-street parking is available close to the venue.



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October 2025



October Holiday Clubs

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years, with funded places available for children in Reception to Year 6

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.



LOCATION:

William Lilley Infant & Nursery School

COST:

£25 per day

All childcare vouchers accepted

FREE places available for children in receipt of benefit-related free school meals

DATES:

Monday 27 to Friday 31 October

We are running clubs at nearby school Banks Road (Toton) 20 to 24 October too!

TIMES:

8.00am to 5.00pm

To book a funded place via EEQU please scan the QR code

To book a paid place, please visit:
rattleandrollperformance.com
enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com

07722 014301

Get ready for a new adventure



To sign up for holiday activities during the Spring (Easter), Summer, Autumn (October) and Winter (Christmas) breaks, visit:

Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAFactivities

You can search by postcode to find activities in your area or view the list of providers and the type of activity they offer.

Find out more or contact us:



Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/Hafprogramme



0115 9774 999 (line open 10am-2pm, Monday to Friday).



haf@nottsec.gov.uk

Sign up NOW!



Laser tag is epic and I think I'm Addicted!



Karting is waaaaaay the best thing ever. Can't wait to come back!

