



A note from Mrs Beardsley

We are thrilled that we have been chosen as an 'early adopter' for the free universal breakfast club which will run from 8.15am each day for pupils from reception to year two. We are busy planning this new offer and will share information within the next couple of weeks giving further details about how this will compliment our current provision and how your child can get involved. We have also shared information with our local MP, Juliet Campbell who is coming along early in the summer term to see how this benefits our families herself. <https://www.nottinghampost.com/news/local-news/free-breakfast-childcare-nottinghamshire-primaries-10021489>



Rattle and roll holiday club

Our Outstanding holiday club is back for the Easter holidays! This will run from 9am to 3pm Monday 7th April - Thursday 10th April.

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

Children can attend for £20 each day or **free for all children in receipt of Pupil premium.** . All childcare vouchers are accepted.



Red Nose Day

Friday 21st
March

Wear something
funny for
money.

Children could wear odd socks, pyjamas,
clothes back to front or even wear a t-shirt
inside out.

For a suggested £1 donation



Autism Awareness Day

Autism Awareness Day is on Wednesday 2nd April. The International theme this year is 'Light It Up Blue'. Join the global campaign to "Light It Up Blue" by wearing blue clothing or accessories to school for the day.

Children will be listening to stories throughout the day and taking part in discussions to help them to understand more about Autism.

So...whether you have Autism, love someone who does or are looking to support a diverse, accepting and kind community – let's stand together and pledge our support!



World Book Day Podcast

As part of World Book Day 2025, some of our children worked with Mrs Belcher to create a podcast all about reading at William Lilley. They then used 2Cast on Purple Mash to interview, record and edit the podcast. Enjoy The Brilliant Books Podcast! If you haven't already heard it please visit [William Lilley Infant and Nursery School - World Book Day Podcast](#)

If your child is inspired, they could use 2Cast on Purple Mash to create their own podcast!

<https://www.purplemash.com/?~c3c9NjU0NTgzMCZzZz00Zjc2YzNIY2M0N2ExYTc0ZjQyZWY4N2ZiYTRiZGEyZCZjdXJyZW50U3RhZ2VjbmRleD0=>



We hope that you are enjoying your free World Book Day book. If you haven't spent your voucher yet, you can redeem your voucher until Sunday 23 March 2025 at: Asda, Lidl, Sainsburys, Tesco, The Works, Waterstones, WHSmith
Happy Reading!

Attendance Matters



Our next fact from the National Campaign promoting the importance of children's attendance at school for their attainment, wellbeing, friendships and development:

FACT #2 Did you know if your child turns up just 5 minutes late every day, it adds up to over 3 days of lost learning in one school year AND if they are 15 minutes late every day that increases to two weeks?



Next week we will be exploring our different senses. We will be tasting lots of different things including salty, sweet, sour and bitter. We will also be testing our sense of smell with scented ice play. Hopefully this lovely weather will continue and we will be able to get outside to smell the fresh air!
Bookings are now open for after Easter. Please book via the schoolmoney app.

For more information about the school please visit: www.williamlilley.notts.sch.uk



**Calendar
2024-2025**

Date	Event	Time	Who?
Every Thursday	Reading morning	8.35-8.55am	Whole school
Anyday	Come Dine with me	Lunch time	Whole school
Friday 21st March	Red Nose Day	All Day	Whole school
Friday 28th March	Rock Steady concert	14.30	
Tuesday 1st April	Easter Celebration	10.30	Nursery (Easter Bonnet)
Wednesday 2nd April	Easter Celebration	14.30	Nursery (Easter Bonnet)
Wednesday 2 nd April	World Autism Day	All day	Whole school (Wear Blue)
Thursday 3rd April	Easter Celebration	14.30	Butterflies & Ladybirds
Thursday 10th July-Friday 11th July	Woodlands Residential	All day	Year 2

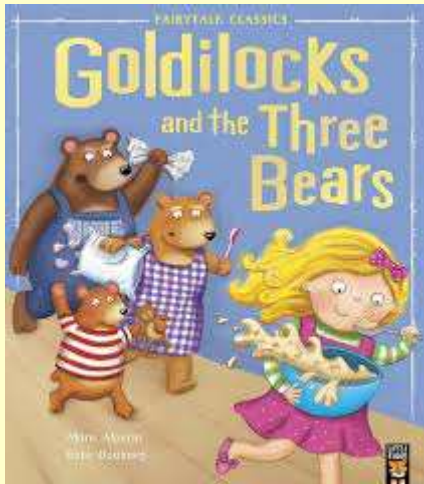
**Easter Holiday : Monday 7th April- Friday 18th April
Bank Holiday Monday 21st April
School reopens Tuesday 22nd April**

Year Group News

Nursery



This week, the children have enjoyed learning the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood'. We have created our own disguises for the wolf. The children have made flowers and get well soon cards for Grandma.



Next week, we will be moving on to the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We will be thinking about rules and how they help us to stay happy and safe. We will be thinking about size in our maths sessions.

We will be holding an Easter bonnet parade in the last week of term. We would like you to make a hat or egg at home and bring it to school to wear or hold in our parade. Look out for further details, as you will be invited to join us. This will also be a time for us to celebrate any homework that has been returned to us.



Reception



This week the Butterfly and Ladybird children have been exploring the story of Cinderella through a range of activities including, creating magic wands, writing in magic glitter and decorating the lost slipper by printing with different textiles. They have also done really well at 'innovating' (changing one element of the story) the story of 'The Magic Porridge Pot'.



Next week we will focus on another traditional tale 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin' and complete fun activities related to the story. In Maths we will be focusing on odd and even numbers and in 'talk for writing' we will be writing some of our innovated story of 'the magic porridge pot'.

Easter Parade

On Thursday 3rd April at 2.30pm (the same date & time as our homework celebration) we will be having an Easter bonnet parade. We would love the children to create at home an Easter/spring themed hat/bonnet which they can wear to take part in the parade. They will also sing



some Easter/spring songs they have learnt. Please bring Easter hats/bonnets in on the morning of the parade.



Homework Reminder

If you manage to do any of the activities with your child from the 'WOW' sheet please note it down on the back and bring it in so that we can celebrate their work and give them a certificate.

Library Visits

Lovely Ladybirds will be visiting the library on Monday 17th March and the Brilliant Butterflies will be visiting on Monday 24th March 2025 – please let us now if you are able to help out with these visits.

Key Stage One



It has been a lovely week in Key Stage One. We have enjoyed learning more about plants and trees and how they grow.

We have also been carefully searching around school for different types of trees to bring our learning to life!

Next week we will be in our final week of our Talk for Writing unit based on Where the Wild Things Are.

We have been thinking of all of the 'portals' we could have in a story and where they could lead to. The children will be planning and writing their own portal story with lots of adjectives and conjunctions.



In Maths next week, Year 1 children will be recognising coins and bank notes and learning about their values. They will also be adding money together and finding totals.

The Year 2 children will be revisiting subtraction using the 'sticks and dots' method as well as using patterns they can spot to help with the calculations.

During topic lessons we will be introducing a new artist called Henri Rousseau. We will looking at a range of his work and deciding which paintings are our favourites and why.



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@notfacc.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!



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Nottinghamshire

Holiday activities and food

Find out about FUNDED school holiday activities and food for eligible children and young people in Notts!

If your child is:

- ✓ 5-16 years old (4 if in school Reception)
- ✓ lives in Nottinghamshire, and
- ✓ receives benefits-related free school meals

Then they are eligible for FUNDED school activities and food this school holiday!

Your adventure starts here...



Nottinghamshire County Council

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The Nottinghamshire holiday activities and food (HAF) programme is here to help children to stay active and happy during the school holidays. HAF can also help families with parents who need to work, or have other people to look after.

What is the holiday activities and food (HAF) programme?

We make sure children and young people have access to fun activities and meals during school holidays. They can get involved in a variety of face-to-face activities ranging from sports, to drama, and crafts. Each day they attend, they will be provided with a meal and healthy snacks.

HAF does not offer food vouchers, all activities are face-to-face with food included.

Who can take part?

Children and young people **5-16 years** (4 if in school Reception), **must be receiving benefits-related free school meals** to qualify for a place.

If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals but not currently receiving them, you can apply here:

gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

What kinds of things can children do?

There are lots of fun activities to choose from, such as sport, dance, drama, crafts, cooking, forest school and day trips out to local attractions.

All activities run for a minimum of 4 hours each day (2.5 hours for 11-16 years).

The HAF team can also help to signpost families to other support services, some of these services can be found here:

Nottinghamshire.gov.uk/FinancialSupport

Some amazing HAF feedback

From the parents:

Thank you for our visit to Nottingham castle. We had a fantastic time. When we got home we looked at the prices of admission and food. We couldn't believe it and it really gave us an opportunity that we would never be able to have as we wouldn't have that money spare. The crafts really made their day as well, they are very proud of everything they have made. My husband was worried that we would be treated differently to other visitors and the children singled out, but this was not the case at all. Inclusion seemed very important, and everyone was so friendly and laid back.

My kids haven't stopped raving about this! It's been brilliant! Thank you so much for hosting!

From the kids:

Just been karting. A dream come true

I'm covered in glitter and I loved it!





Free places
for children in
receipt of benefit
related free
school meals

Easter Holiday Clubs

William Lilley Infant & Nursery School, Stapleford

Monday 7th to Thursday 10th April

Open to all children aged 3 – 11 from all schools

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



Cost: £20 per day
All childcare vouchers accepted

Timings: 9am-3pm

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





Come Dine With Us!

WHETHER IT'S YOUR DAY OFF OR YOU HAVE TIME TO SPARE YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR ONE OF OUR AMAZING SCHOOL LUNCHES.

WE HAVE LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE EACH DAY – PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE!

£3.54

PER PERSON

Free Bookstart Star pack

For children aged 3-5 Years who have a condition or disability that impacts on, or delays, their fine motor skills

Bookstart provides packs for children who need extra support to develop a love of books and reading. The packs contain advice and guidance for parents and carers to support their child's additional needs.



For more information ask at your local library or contact Bookstart Nottinghamshire on **0115 8044431**

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