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Newsletter Autumn 1 2026 - No. 2

16/10/26

Dear families,

What a wonderful and busy start to the new school year we have had. It has been a pleasure to welcome everyone back and to see the children settling into their new routines, building friendships and embracing all the learning opportunities that the first half term has brought. We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, resilience and kindness they have shown throughout the term. As we reach the end of Autumn 1, we hope this newsletter gives you a little insight into the highlights, achievements and memorable moments from the past few weeks. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership — it makes such a positive difference to our school community. We wish all our families a happy and restful half-term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another exciting half term.

In School Pantomime



We were delighted to welcome MM Theatre Company into school to perform their wonderful production of *Cinderella* for the whole school. The children thoroughly enjoyed the spectacular performance, joining in with plenty of singing, dancing and laughter along the way. Even the teachers got involved – but no photographic evidence exists!



Robin Hood Half Marathon

Thank you to everyone who donated towards Mr Worrall's and Maria's half marathon. Both Mr Worrall and Maria ran brilliantly and managed to achieve times of 2 hours 50 minutes and 3 hours 7 minutes respectively. They raised a massive £300 for the school! Well done to Mr Worrall and Maria for all your dedication to training and for running the half marathon. We are so proud of you!



Building work

The building work is nearly completed. In the next month or so, the school should get the main car park back, the canopy at the front should be completed and the climbing frame and field should get new protected matting and re-seeding. There are also a few smaller jobs still to complete inside but this should all be completed shortly.

Harvest Festival

We had a wonderful time celebrating Harvest Festival at Saint John's Methodist Church. The children retold the story of the Little Red Hen with a slight change to the end of the story, where the Little Red Hen decides to share the bread rather than eating it 'all by herself'. The children sang 'Cauliflowers Fluffy' beautifully and their behaviour was excellent. Thank you to everyone who donated food to the church.



Golden Table

Every Friday, two children from each class are chosen to be on the Golden table at dinner time. The children are chosen for showing good manners or for one of the school's values. A certificate is given to the children to take home. Every child in the school is given an opportunity to be on the table at some point in the school year. The children really enjoy being put on the Golden Table and celebrated. Merryn and Owen were chosen recently for their excellent dinner time behaviour.



Merryn & Owen enjoying the golden table

Mr Pepper



We absolutely loved welcoming Mr Pepper into school to film with the children! Mr Pepper has worked with all of our classes and has created some fantastic films with the children, including *The Great Fire of London* and *Space* with KS1, and *Superheroes* with F2.

We are very excited to share the finished films with all of our parents in November. Please see the 'Important Dates' section below, as well as the letter sent out on 15th October, for further information. We can't wait for you to see the children's amazing work!

Homework

Thank you to all the parents who have been participating with the spelling homework that is sent home every week. Please continue to work with your child on their spelling homework and send it into school when it is completed.

School Facebook Page

Thank you to the parents who have followed our Facebook page and have liked our posts. Please continue to share our posts with your friends and family as we celebrate our school, share news and events, and promote the wonderful things that we do at Standhill.

Flu Immunisations

Flu immunisations will take place on the 3rd November. Text messages from the NHS asking you to opt in or opt out should have been sent out this week. Please keep a look out for these messages and reply accordingly.

The National Child Measurement Programme for Foundation 2 children

Every year in England, school children in Reception have their height and weight checked at school as part of this national programme. An email with more information will be sent out to all our new parents and carers in F2, in due course together with a separate email from NHS Notts Healthcare with other information you may find useful.

Benefits-related free school meals (pupil premium)

If you are in receipt of certain benefits, you will be entitled to apply for pupil premium funding. Not only does this benefit the school with additional funding, but it also entitles your child to free school milk (after they turn five) and funded school trips. If you think you may be eligible, please may we urge you to apply for this valuable funding. The link to find out more about this is:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk>.

Thank you to all our families for their continued support.

Kind regards,

Mr T Fennell, Headteacher

Important Dates	
Date	Event/Activity
Monday 19th October to Friday 30th October	Half Term
Monday 2nd November	Inset Day – School closed to all children
Tuesday 3 rd November	Open Day for September 2027 F2 parents - 9:30 till 10:30
Tuesday 3 rd November	Flu Immunisation
Tuesday 3 rd November	Mr Pepper and Year 1 and 2 in the ‘Great Fire of London and Space’ film after school (letter already sent).
Thursday 5 th November	Yoga Beamz Enrichment Day
Thursday 5 th November	Mr Pepper and F2 ‘Superheroes’ film after school (letter already sent).
Friday 6 th November	Mr Pepper and Year 1 and 2 in the ‘Great Fire of London and Space’ film after school (letter already sent).
Monday 9 th November	Phonics Presentation – Letter already sent out
Thursday 12 th November	Open Day for September 2027 F2 parents - 3:30 till 4:30
Friday 20 th November	Next Level Sport – Boccia
Thursday 26 th November	Open Day for September 2027 F2 parents – 5pm till 6pm
Thursday 3 rd December	Yoga Beamz Enrichment Day
Thursday 10 th December	KS1 Christmas Play am and pm (letter to follow)
Friday 11 th December	Children’s Christmas Dinner Day
Tuesday 15 th December	F2 Christmas Play am and pm (letter to follow)
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Party
Friday 18 th December	Next Level Sport – Christmas Games
Friday 18th December	Last day of Autumn 2
Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January	School closed for the Christmas holidays
Monday 4th January 2027	School reopens for Spring 1 2027

More dates will follow throughout the Autumn term when new events are organised.

Other announcements

Speech, Language and Communication Early Years Parents and Carers Drop-In

Come along to one of our early years drop-in sessions for children under 4 years old if you would like to talk with us about your child's talking and communication.



Arnbrook Family Hub
Bestwood Lodge Drive
Arnold
Nottingham
NG5 8NE



Wednesday 18th November 2026
9.30am - 11am



No need to book! Just pick a date and come along with your child at any time during the session.
We will be there to chat, play and answer any questions and give ideas!
Please call 0300 123 3387 for further information.
This is for Nottinghamshire families only.

Holiday activities and food

Autumn

Nottinghamshire

Get involved in fun activities this school holiday!

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME 2026

If your child/ren are in receipt of **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** they can join our sports camp for **FREE!** Don't miss out on all the fun and book today via the QR code below!

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Do you have a child with Special Educational Needs and want to find out more about inclusion for Early Years pupils in a mainstream school or setting?

Would you welcome the opportunity to discuss inclusion & transition with a member of Nottinghamshire County Councils SEND Inclusion Team. A series of free online meetings will be running throughout the year. These sessions will be a 30 minute appointment and can be booked using the link below.

Sessions are open to all parents/carers of Early Years children and school starters with special educational needs – no diagnosis or EHCP is required.

Let's talk together about inclusion & transition in Early Years. Come and have a chat. Autumn Term 2026 - 2027

Appointments available on the following dates:

Wednesday 11th November between 1.30-3pm

Thursday 19th November between 9-10.30 am

Wednesday 9th December between 5.30-7pm

Book below:

<https://outlook.office.com/book/NottinghamshireParentCarerTransitionEvents1@nottscc.gov.uk/s/9Ria10zRjEYlKIPREaHMw2?ismalsisauthenabled>



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PLAY SCHEME Learning Works FOR CHILDREN

Do you need childcare in the school holidays?
If so, why not bring your child along to...

Learning Works for Children Playscheme

Open from 7.30 to 5.45, for 5-11 years old.

Our next playscheme will be the October holidays
Monday 19th to Friday 30th October 2025
(2 weeks)

Most sessions are **10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** (but wrap around is available from 7.30-10, breakfast included and 4-5.45, tea included)
*Some trips have longer sessions.

You may be able to get help towards fees from universal credit, child care vouchers or from the tax-free child care scheme.

*Fully qualified experienced staff.

This October, our exciting playscheme will include visits to the cinema, farm, Funky Pots, The Lost City, Clip 'n Climb, laser tag, Red Kangaroo, Break Escape, Green's Windmill and Wheelgate!
Halloween-inspired activities and spooky surprises will also be incorporated throughout the playscheme!

Days out include...

- Skegness on the train
- Gulliver's Kingdom (train)
- Matlock bath (train)
- Conkers (mini bus)
- Holme Pierpont high ropes
- Red Kangaroo
- Cinema and McDonald's
- Roller skating
- Lazer tag / Amusements
- Bowling / Amusements
- Football camp
- White Tiger Kick boxing
- Planet bounce
- Wheel gate splash park
- Rushcliffe country park
- Wollaton park & fair
- University Park
- West Bridgford Park
- Victoria Embankment
- Marketon park pool and fair

Our play schemes run every school holiday.
PLEASE email ehlw4c@outlook.com for more information or for our schedule of activities and prices per day.

Learning Works for Children, 105 Carlton Road, Nottingham. NG3 2FB.
(Next to Lidl) Tel: 0115 9243 003.



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**MULTI DAY
DISCOUNT**

26 - 30 OCT 26

Active, structured days
for 5-11 years
09:00 - 15:30

CAMP VENUE

Mapperley Plains Primary School,
Central Avenue, Mapperley, NG3 5LD

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www.next-level-sports.classforkids.io

Save 10% when booking siblings!

ACTIVITIES

Including All Traditional Sports & Outdoor
Activities **PLUS** Lots of Fun with:
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Disco Dodgeball Day • Party Day
Archery • Scooters

+ LOTS OF FUN!!



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at **Wollaton Park**

**Sunday 6th December
from 9.30am**

Complete 2km or 5km dressed
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and raise vital funds for local
hospice care. Fun for the whole
family - all ages and dogs welcome!

Sign up online:
[nottshospice.org/
santadash](http://nottshospice.org/santadash)



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DANCE HOLIDAY CAMP

OCTOBER 2026

**09:00 - 15:30
AGES 5-11**

CAMP VENUE

WED 21ST
Farnfield St Michael's CofE School
Branston Ave, Farnfield, NG22 8JZ

THURS 28TH
Mapperley Plains Primary School,
Central Avenue, NG3 5LD

Book Your Child's Space Today for:

£24.00 Per Session

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Dance Games
Creating Routines
Performances
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**+ LOTS OF FUN
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