



A home for learning, laughing, caring & trying

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Week commencing Monday 13th January 2025

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Absence reporting

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please inform the school office by 9.30am on 917 9881.

Please remember that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they should not return to school for 48 hours.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Celebrating Opal Play

The children (and staff) are thoroughly enjoying our new Opal Play. We are really proud of the children this week for adapting to our new lunchtime arrangements, they have been really sensible and responsible in the hall, including our nursery children who have eaten hot dinners in the hall for the first time. Outside the children have had an amazing time playing with our new resources, showing resilience and problem solving with their friends. A special Opal assembly today has celebrated the wonderful play that we have spotted this week and what we have learnt to make our play times even better.

Spare socks/tights

Children have the opportunity to play in water and mud if they wish to. We encourage the use of puddle suits and wellies at every playtime, but occasionally we still have some wet socks/tights. We do have spares in school, but it would be helpful if you could provide a spare pair of socks/tights to keep in your child's school bag, so that we can use their own socks in the first instance. Thank you.

Deadline for Reception & Year 3 applications

Wednesday 15th January is the last day to make an 'on time' application for Reception and Year 3 for September 2025.

Year 1 trip – National Space Centre

Don't forget to complete the consent form and make your payment for the Year 1 trip. Letter attached.

Year 2 Residential trip

Please let us know if you will be attending the parent information meeting on 5th February. Letter attached.

Year 1 Star Gazing Evening

Year 1 children and their families are invited to join us for a Star Gazing Evening on Monday 20th January. To help us to plan this event please let us know if you will be coming along. Letter attached.



GOLDEN STARS

Well done to this week's Golden Stars!

Mrs Taylor	Etty (Chestnut)
Birch	Missey
Chestnut	Arran
Cherry	Max
Maple	Kirby
Oak	Isla
Willow	Phoebe

Please return your Golden Star Trophy by Wednesday

RAINBOW STARS



This week the TA's Rainbow Stars are

Birch	Xena
Chestnut	Eleanor
Cherry	Alethea
Maple	Rosie
Oak	Henry
Willow	Oscar

WELL DONE!

WHATS ON THIS WEEK...	
MONDAY	Pop Club (notified children only)
TUESDAY	Mindfulness Club (notified children only)
WEDNESDAY	Deadline for Reception and Junior school applications Friends meeting – everyone welcome! (7.15pm)
THURSDAY	Netball Club (notified children only) Try a School Dinner Day (everyone is encourage to try)
FRIDAY	Stay & Read (8.45am – 9am) Toton Churches 'Going for Gold' assembly Friday Fun Factory (pre-booked children only)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...	
<i>Dates / times are subject to change. *More information to follow.</i>	
20 th January – Year 1 Stargazing Evening (4pm – 5pm)*	
24 th January – Stay & Read (8.45am – 9am)	
29 th January – Lunar New Year – wear something red to school	
31 st January – Stay & Read (8.45am – 9am)	
3 rd February – Children's mental health week - health & wellbeing activities in school	
4 th February – Nottingham Forest Football Club ladies team in school	
5 th February – Year 2 Residential Trip meeting for parents (6.15pm)*	
7 th February – Year 1 trip – Space Centre*	
7 th February – Valentine's Disco*	

CLASS ATTENDANCE
 week ending 10th January 2025
 ★ **Congratulations Birch & Chestnut - 100%★**
 Cherry – 95.9% Maple – 97.4%
 Oak – 95% Willow – 97.3%

WOW Moments!
 Complete the [WOW form](#) to tell us about your child's out of school achievements within the last week; we would love to help them celebrate!

This week our Value is

 Be Kind

"The mud kitchen looks like fun to play with!"
 Oliver - Willow

"I liked playing on the obstacle course at lunch time."
 Jacob - Birch

"I like the new toys at lunchtime play."
 Billy - Oak

KIDS QUOTES

"We found a spaceship under the shelter & we learned about where the alien might have come from."
 Robin - Cherry

"I loved being outside & helping Mrs Jones."
 Lois - Chestnut

"I like going straight outside after I've eaten!"
 Alister - Maple

SCHOOL DINNERS
 WINTER MENU CYCLE
TWO
[Click here for menu](#)



Breakfast Club
 £6.00 per day
 Pay via School Gateway App or childcare vouchers 'NCC Banks Road Infants School'.

TERM DATES: Autumn 1: 03.03.24 – 18.10.24 Autumn 2: 04.11.24 – 20.12.24 Spring 1: 06.01.25 – 14.02.25 Spring 2: 24.02.25 – 04.04.25
 Summer 1: 22.04.25 – 23.05.25 Summer 2: 02.06.25 – 25.07.25 **INSET DAYS:** 3rd September, 20th June, 28th July, 29th July