

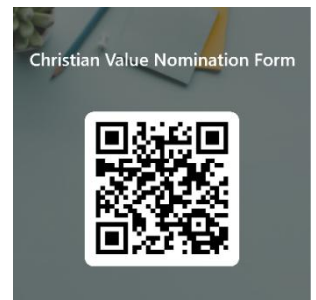
A Note from Miss Cousin

What an incredible two weeks it has been! From the excitement of our Egyptian Day to the creativity of the DaART graduation, there's been something for everyone. We've had competitive fun with our table tennis events, enjoyed stories together at the Reading Café, connected during Parents Evening, and topped it all off with everyone's favourite—Frozen Fridays! To make it even better, the sun has been shining down on us, making these moments even more special.

Wishing all our families a relaxing and joyful Bank Holiday weekend. We hope you enjoy the extra time together, make some lovely memories, and come back refreshed and ready for more fun and learning!

Value Awards

We welcome your nominations for the children to receive any of our Christian Value Awards for living out the value in action: **translating the value into a virtue (kindness, love, respect, resilience, faith and joy)** through every day actions. Please use our Values Nomination Form, accessible through the QR code or [here](#), to submit your nominations. We will celebrate this once every two weeks on a Friday morning in our Golden Box Worship which you will be invited to attend. *This half term our focus value is 'Respect'.*



Feeling Proud



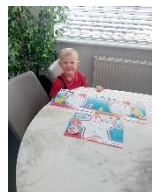
Isla has achieved her Rainbow Gold award. She is the first Rainbow from 1st Calverton Rainbows to ever achieve the award!! Well done Isla. Parents and school are very proud.



Cohen has done some amazing swimming in the school holiday's and he's received three certificates for all his hard work – super!



A big well done to Wilfrid and Edward who have both completed their current stages at swimming and moved up into the next stage. Your constant hard work is paying off, keep it up boys!



Finley has had two medals this month. One for third place in go karting. He worked so incredibly hard and did some very amazing overtaking.



The second was for Kixx football. He has just completed his first 8 sessions and has improved so much and is absolutely loving it. Excellent work Finley.



Esme recently acquired rookie lifeguards bronze stage 2 certificate. She has worked really hard to achieve this and shown perseverance in the areas that were hard to achieve on the course. She is now working even harder on her stage 3. Such a valuable life skill.



Charlotte has received her gymnastics Bronze award. She had to complete lots of challenges including standing on one leg on the high beam and a tuck jump and land on the beam. She was super balanced throughout it all! Excellent work Charlotte.



This Month Maggie has learnt to ride her bike without stabilisers! She was absolutely amazing at it, first attempt and she was off- we are so proud of how hard she tried and how well she did, you could see her smile all the way from the other side of the field! Well done Maggie!!



Henry has achieved his 5 meters backstroke swimming certificate. This means he has both his 5m front crawl and 5m back stroke. Great work Henry!

Henry took part in his first beavers parade for St George's day and completed his first junior park run! Great work Henry!



Georgia received outstanding praise from her coaches, who commended her positive attitude and strong work ethic in football. She consistently listens attentively and follows instructions with focus. The coaches were so impressed, they're eager to welcome her back to the Derby team next season.



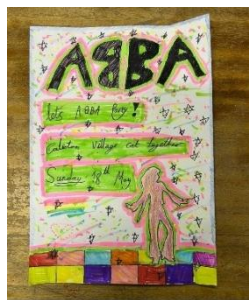
A big well done to Harriet and Bethany who both did readings in the St George's Day church service at Southwell Minster with Brownies. They both read clearly and confidently: super news, well done!



100 and 200 reads!



A huge congratulations to our incredible students, Joseph, Thea, Seth, Reuben, who have reached 200 reads since September and Autumn who has reached 100!! Keep up the fantastic work! #100reads #200reads #youngreaders #proudmoment



Exciting News from the 2025 VGT Poster Competition!

We're absolutely delighted to share that **Florence (Year 4)** has won **1st Prize** in the **2025 Village Get Together Poster Competition!** A huge congratulations also to **Charlie Briggs (Year 6)**, who was named **Runner-Up** for his brilliant design.

A big thank you to all the staff, parents and children who took part - your creativity and effort shone through in every poster. Well done everyone!



Easter Egg Raffle – Thank You!

A huge thank you to everyone who donated Easter eggs and bought raffle tickets – your generosity helped us raise an amazing £363.90! Every contribution made a difference, and we're so grateful for your support. We hope all our winners enjoyed their chocolatey prizes!

Red Nose Day – Comic Relief – Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone who supported our Comic Relief Cake Sale – we raised £108.40 from all the delicious treats!

In addition, £117.50 was donated via ParentPay, bringing our total to a fantastic £225.90 for Comic Relief.

I'm so proud of the courageous advocacy our community continues to show for the wider world – your kindness and compassion really does make a difference and shapes the minds of our little ones!

Working Together for an Inclusive School Community

Over the past two terms, we've continued to build on our commitment to creating an inclusive and respectful school environment for all. While we have seen a small number of incidents that do not reflect our values, we are using these moments as important learning opportunities for our whole school community.

Through our Anti-Racist Education Programme (AREP), we're helping children develop a deeper understanding of identity, fairness, and respect. From classroom discussions to assemblies and inclusive curriculum choices, we're encouraging our pupils to think critically and compassionately about the world around them.

We want to be clear: racism has no place in our school. We will always respond to incidents with care and fairness, considering the needs and context of every child involved.

Thank you for supporting us in this important work. By working together - staff, families, and pupils - we can continue to grow a school culture where everyone feels safe, seen, and valued.

A Polite Reminder – Please Do Not Park in Sellors Car Park

We've once again been contacted by our neighbours at Sellors Ltd regarding parking during school drop-off and pick-up times. Unfortunately, their staff and customers are being affected, and the situation has become increasingly difficult for them.

Please remember that Sellors' car park is private and must not be used for school run parking at any time. We kindly ask for your cooperation and consideration to help maintain good relations with ALL our neighbours, including those on Renal's Way.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

New This Summer Term!

From now on, **our letters** will be available on our website. So if you've missed anything, don't worry — you can catch up anytime right [here](#).

Early Childhood Services.

Early Childhood Services are sharing a link regarding the 'Walk in my Shoes' survey created by Nottinghamshire Police to help increase their knowledge of the spaces where women and girls feel unsafe.

The survey went live on 31st March and Nottinghamshire Police would welcome your support in promoting the survey, which will run for 8 weeks. A link to the survey can be found on the campaign page: [Walk in My Shoes | Nottinghamshire Police](#). Please complete if you feel it is appropriate.

Water Safety Information

As we approach the warmer weather in summer term, it is important to us to make sure that all of our pupils have an enjoyable, but most of all safe summer holiday. Every year around 312 people drown, on average that's one person every 22hrs, and drowning significantly increases during the summer holiday period, with teenaged and young adult males being most at risk. To help our pupils to make good decisions about their own safety in the holidays many of our pupils have been learning about drowning prevention, and the RLSS UK, the drowning prevention charity, have asked us to share these important water safety tips with you to help you and your family to stay safe this summer:

1. Make sure your children know how to swim and basic water safety skills. The holidays are a great time to have some catch up lessons or join a Rookie Lifeguard or lifeguards, or lifeguards trained to UK standards. If possible, only swim where there are lifeguards. Keep children under constant supervision, it only takes a few seconds to drown, and the lifeguards have a lot more people to supervise than you do.
2. Lakes, quarries, rivers and reservoirs These water sites claim many lives during the summer months, largely due to the water temperatures remaining very cold once you are slightly away from the edge. Never swim at these locations unless it is part of a regulated outdoor activity.
3. Follow the Water Safety Code whenever you are around water:
 - Stop and think - look for the dangers, always read the signs
 - Stay Together - Never swim alone. Always go with friends and family

In an Emergency:

- Call 999 or 112 and shout for help
- Float - if you fall in, float or swim on your back Throw something in that floats to anyone who falls in.

Attendance Matters: Striving for 97%!

Our school aims for a 97% attendance rate - a target set to ensure students are getting the most from their education. While 96% attendance is roughly in line with the national average, anything below that means important learning time is being missed. Over the last two weeks, we will share how we've been doing, but remember, attendance makes a big difference. Let's work together to meet our goal and give every student the best chance to succeed!

Our goal is to promote a positive atmosphere for all students. The class certificate rewards are exciting for the children and encourage teamwork. When a class earns five certificates, they enjoy an extra break. Thank you for your support as we create a positive school environment.

Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)

Catch up on all the fun on our [Instagram highlights](#).



Pupil Free School Meals and Milk: If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, apply online [here](#).



Diary Dates	
Mon 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Thurs 8 th May	Reception trip to Field Farm
Mon 12 th - Thurs 15 th May	SATs Week
Fri 16 th May	Reading Café Year 4 3pm Year 6 Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Sun 18 th May	Village Get Together
Thurs 22 nd May	Y3 Class Worship at St Wilfrid's Church 9:45am Disco
Fri 23 rd May	Break up for half term
Mon 2 nd – Wed 4 th June	Y4 Hagg Farm Residential
Mon 2 nd June	Children return to school
Wed 4 th June	Y3 Egyptians Partake Day
Friday 6 th June	PSA Summer Fair 1:15pm
Friday 13 th June	Reading Café Year 5 3pm
Mon 16 th June	Y6 trip to Nottingham University
Thurs 19 th and Fri 20 th June	Y6 Bikeability
Mon 23 rd and Tues 24 th June	Y6 Bikeability
Friday 27 th June	Reading Café Year 6 3pm
Mon 30 th June	Y6 Transition to Southwell Minster School
Tues 1 st July	KS2 Sports Day 1:15pm
Thurs 3 rd July	CFS Induction Day KS1 Sports Day 1:15pm
Tues 8 th July	KS2 Summer Production (time TBC)
Wed 9 th July	
Fri 11 th July	Y2 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Fri 18 th July	Y6 Stepping Up Day at Southwell Minster
Mon 21 st -Thurs 24 th July	Y6 Hathersage Residential
Thurs 22 nd May	Y2 Kings and Castle Life Partake Day
Fri 25 th July	Y6 Leavers' Service Last Day for pupils
Mon 28 th July/Tues 29 th July	Inset Day
Mon 28 th - Fri 8 th August	Playscheme open

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE WATER SAFETY CODE



Whenever you are around water:

STOP AND THINK

Take time to assess your surroundings. Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family. Swim at a lifeguarded venue.



In an emergency:

CALL 999

If you are at the coast, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard. Don't enter the water to rescue.



FLOAT

Fall in or become tired - stay calm, float on your back and call for help. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



Enjoy Water **Safely**

Learn basic lifesaving and CPR skills. Visit www.rlss.org.uk



RESILIENCE

- Romans 5:3,4 - Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that sufferings produces resilience; resilience, character; and character, hope.

