

A Note from Miss Cousin

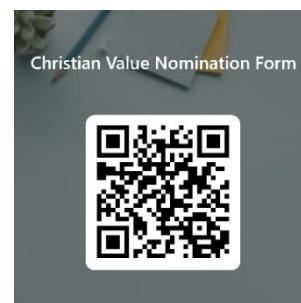
The past couple of weeks have been filled with fantastic experiences for our pupils. One of the highlights was our visit to Springwater Lodge for National Lego Day, our Off by Heart winners shared their poetry and some of our younger readers had the chance to share their favourite books with the residents. It was a lovely opportunity for connection across generations, and we were so proud of how our pupils engaged with kindness and enthusiasm. You can see how we are working together and engaging with the community [here](#).

We're always looking for ways to enrich learning beyond the classroom, and there are plenty of exciting opportunities available - details can be found on our website [here](#).

We're also in the process of gathering feedback from our pupils through our pupil voice questionnaires, and we look forward to sharing the results soon. Hearing their voices helps us continue to shape a school experience that is engaging, inclusive, and inspiring.

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



In this week's Celebration Worship, we shone a spotlight on the amazing achievements our pupils have accomplished outside of school! 🎸 🎵 ⚽

We also celebrated those going above and beyond with their unprompted homework efforts—showcasing creativity, curiosity, and dedication to their learning.



A huge congratulations to our Golden Box winners! Your great attitude, hard work, and the way you live out our values every day are truly inspiring.

A huge well done to everyone involved—you make us so proud! Keep striving for excellence, both in and out of school.



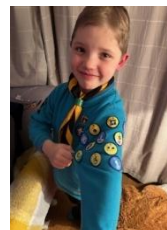
125 rubber ducks! Charlie's been collecting them since he was 8 years old. His very first duck was Nessie, and the newest one is a Minecraft pig duck from his friend Jaxon. Every duck is different, and his favorite? The awesome Lego duck!

Felicity has been selected by her climbing club to join the Nottingham Depot Climbing Academy, meaning she will be able to start competing at a regional and national level. Well done Felicity. We are so proud of you!



Nathan has recently joined a football team. It is a brand new football team and they played their 1st match on Sunday. Nathan played really well, he was focused and listened very well to the coach. What a great kit too! ✨

Arthur has been working incredibly hard to achieve his badges, and we couldn't be prouder! At home, he's created amazing space projects, including building the solar system, and cared for his pet dragons to earn his pet care badge. He's also made waves (literally!) by earning swimming badges and collaborated with his colony to achieve his disability awareness, safety, and international badges. Congratulations, Arthur, on all your fantastic achievements! Keep up the amazing work! 🌟



Henry achieved his 5-metre front crawl certificate and badge! Congratulations, Henry—keep swimming towards your next goal! 🏊‍♂️

Ava has earned her first swim badge! All her hard work and practice paid off. Well done, Ava - such a great skill to have and we're all so proud of you!



100 Reads!

Wow! That's an impressive pace of around 7 reads a week—almost one every day! What an amazing achievement, especially considering you're all Foundation students. We're still reviewing all the diaries, so if we've missed you, be sure to check the next newsletter. Great job, everyone—let's keep up the fantastic effort!



Our Worships: Songs from the Heart

As we begin a new term and a fresh year, we will take time to reflect on the life and writings of King David, whose words form much of the Book of Psalms in the Bible. These heartfelt expressions of joy, sorrow, and a range of emotions resonate with people of all faiths - and none. At St Wilfrid's, we have a deep appreciation for poetry and song, and we will explore how they help us to express our emotions in meaningful ways.

World Book Day - 6th March

A quick reminder to book your child's breakfast via ParentPay by 14th February. This event is for children only, but we've had lots of interest from parents and we're looking into inviting adults to the next one! We'd love to make it happen!

DISCO



Get ready for a fantastic time at the disco!

F2/KS1 and S-club goes, don't forget to pack your little ones' party clothes for a quick wardrobe change before the dancing begins! Look out for the small brown envelopes coming home today. Return them with the correct money (£1.50 per child) and your child's name and class on the front. On the day of the disco please ensure any spending money is well labeled in a purse, wallet, bag, or any other preferred container.

Treats and crisps from 50p - £1

Face painting – 50p

Temporary tattoos – 50p

Unlimited FREE drinks - Let's make this disco a memorable and joyful experience for our little ones!

🚫 **Online Safety Parent Forum – 17th March 5:15pm** 🚫 Join us for this essential session where we'll explore the hidden dangers of the online world, how perpetrators use grooming models, and the key interventions for keeping children safe. Gain a deeper understanding of the vital role parents play in protecting their children online and equipping them with the knowledge to navigate the digital world safely. Don't miss this opportunity to stay informed and proactive.

Highstreet Heroes - Free February Half-Term Activities!

Get ready for an action-packed half-term with *Highstreet Heroes*! Hosted at Arnold Methodist Church (NG5 7EL), this series of superhero-themed activities will inspire kids to build confidence, have fun, and unleash their inner hero.

From **crafting confidence** to **heroic adventures**, each day offers a different mission to boost self-esteem and teamwork. The week wraps up with an exciting **Superhero Party**! How many missions can you complete? Let us know so we can celebrate with you in worship!

Also, see attached information about a Vocal Workshop – a fantastic opportunity to develop confidence through singing and performance! 🎤🎵

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!

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	99.33%	98.67%	98.67%	98.67%	98.33%	97.33%	98.57%	98.51%

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Attendance	92.33%	98.62%	98.67%	97.00%	97.67%	94.33%	99.64%	96.86%

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](#)



We're thrilled to announce that our school is becoming more active on Instagram! To maintain our presence on Facebook, we've also created a **new page** to keep you updated with all the latest events, activities, and highlights. 🎉 As we explore fresh ways to connect with you on these platforms, we appreciate your patience as we fine-tune our posts and stories.



🌟 Missed something?

Don't worry! You can catch up by checking out the Instagram **Highlights** section to see what we've been up to.

Stay tuned for more updates, and thank you for your continued support as we grow our online presence. 🙌

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

Diary Dates	
Fri 31 st Jan	Springwater 7x Y2 readers.
Mon 3 rd -Sun 9 th Feb	Children's Mental Health Week
Mon 3 rd Feb	MHST assembly and workshop with Y3.
Tues 4 th Feb	Nott Alone event
Thurs 6 th Feb	Disco
Friday 7 th Feb	Know Myself Day – wear what you're comfortable in.
Thurs 13 th Feb	Y2 Class Worship at St Wilfrid's Church 9:45am Basic First Aid training for parents 2:30pm-school pick/up
Fri 14 th Feb	Break up for half term
Mon 24 th Feb	Children return to school
Wed 26 th Feb	Team Rubicon – scooter and skateboard enrichment day
Thurs 6 th March	World Book Day – Breakfast with Books (letter separate)
Friday 7 th March	Y6 trip to the Holocaust Centre
Thurs 13 th March	Cross Country Y2-Y6 (children TBC)
Friday 14 th March	Self-esteem Workshop Y4 Time Travelling at Southwell Minster Y5
Mon 17 th March	Online Safety Parent Forum 5:15pm school hall
Mon 17 th -Fri 21 st March	Careers Week
Wed 19 th March	YF and Y5 Experience Easter at St Wilfrid's Church 1:15pm-2:45pm
Fri 21 st March	Comic Relief
Sat 22 nd March	David and Goliath Choir Dress Rehearsal time TBC

Thurs 27 th March	David and Goliath Choir Performance time TBC
Fri 28 th March	
Thurs 27 th March-2 nd April	Scholastic Book Fair
Thurs 3 rd April	Y5 Easter Service at St Wilfrid's Church 9:45am
Fri 4 th April	Break up for Easter
Tues 22 nd April	Children return to school Y4 Egyptians Partake Day
Fri 2 nd May	School Photos
Mon 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Thurs 8 th May	Reception trip to Field Farm
Mon 12 th - Thurs 15 th May	SATs Week
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
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
Thurs 3 rd July	CFS Induction Day
Tues 8 th July	KS2 Summer Production (time TBC)
Wed 9 th July	
Fri 11 th July	Y2 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Mon 21 st -Thurs 24 th July	Y6 Hathersage Residential
Fri 25 th July	Y6 Leavers' Service Last Day for pupils
Mon 28 th July/Tues 29 th July	Inset Day

Calverton Leisure Centre

Half Term Holiday Activities 17th - 21st February

Float Fun		Family Swim		Pool Inflatafun	
Monday 17 th	12:15 - 13:15	Monday 17 th	11:00 - 12:00	Tuesday 18 th	12:45 - 13:45
Wednesday 19 th	10:45 - 11:45	Tuesday 18 th	11:00 - 12:00	Thursday 20 th	12:45 - 13:45
Friday 21 st	12:15 - 13:15	Wednesday 19 th	09:30 - 10:30	Non-Members £6.20 Adult Leisure Card £5.40 Concessions £3.70 Juniors £3.50 Under 8s require 1:1 Supervision	
Crash Course Swimming Lessons Monday - Friday 14:00 - 16:00 Stages 1, 2, 3 & 4+: £33.50 *Swim Lesson Members get 5 lessons for the price of 4*		Thursday 20 th	09:00 - 10:00	Bouncy Castle Fun Monday - Friday 10:00 - 11:30 Ages 0-13 Adult Supervision Required £4.80 per Child	
		Friday 21 st	11:00 - 12:00		
		Non-Members £6.20 Adult Leisure Card £5.40 Concessions £3.70 Juniors £3.50			
Booking available up to seven days in advance online. Book Now at Reception or by phone on 0115 9013800					



Players Wanted

FOOTBALL
U10'S TRYOUTS



Midfield or Forwards



LOWDHAM COLTS U10 REDS,
playing in YEL Div 2 Saturdays



Train on 3G pitches Thursday
evenings 7pm Canoville Soccer @
Arnold Hill Academy, NG5 6NZ



Interested? Call Coach Anthony
Richards on: 07971568386



I Peter 2:17

¹⁷ Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.



Happy Weekend!

"Let the weekend begin with the sweetness of coffee and the promise of joyous adventures.
Happy weekend!"