

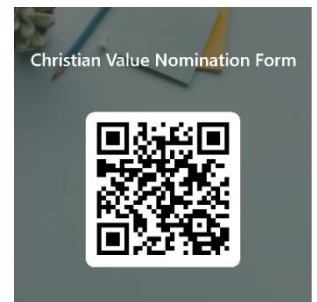
### A Note from Miss Cousin

What an incredible two weeks we've had! We've been to cricket with Dynamos, Year 4s have successfully completed their multiplication check, and we've had some fascinating workshops all about CO<sub>2</sub>. We've taken part in sports festivals, played ultimate frisbee, and enjoyed a brilliant Egyptian Partake Theatre day. Our reading café was a lovely chance to share stories, and some of our pupils even performed Shakespeare at the Playhouse Theatre! We visited Springwater Lodge for a heartwarming balloons and biscuits party, played rounders, welcomed Woodthorpe Tennis for some great sessions, and also managed trips to the library and swimming pool. Year 6 have been busy with Bikeability too.

It's been a packed and exciting fortnight - full of learning, fun, and fantastic experiences... and that's all in just two weeks!

### 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 'Joy'.*



### Feeling Proud



Big congratulations to all the amazing students nominated for Golden Box and Celebration Worship! You've shown what it means to lead by example—both in and out of school. We're proud of everything you've achieved. Keep it up - you're making a real difference!



Giorgio was awarded Coach's player of the season for Lowdham Colts last weekend. Throughout the season the coach's are looking for the player who has gone above and beyond in demonstrating the following: Respect, attitude, behaviour, resilience, teamwork, friendship and performance.

Arthur has completed his next stage at swimming so is now in level five- he is so proud of himself, as are we!



Logan had two football presentations on Saturday. One for the Calverton football club for their end of season presentation. He also got to go to the Concert Hall for the Yell (Young Elizabethan League) to collect his champions of the league trophy. This was awarded to him by Dez Walker, the ex England and Forest football player. This is a very big achievement as his team won the league unbeaten without losing a single game! Excellent work Logan!



## 100 reads!



Our students have shown amazing commitment by reading regularly throughout the year—just 3 times a week adds up to **117 reads** across the school year! That's why we celebrate **anything over 100 reads**—it shows consistent effort, dedication, and a real love of reading. Well done to everyone who's reached this milestone. Keep up the fantastic work—every read counts! #youngreaders #proudmoment.



## Meet and Eat is Back!

With the kitchen back in action, we're thrilled to announce the return of *Meet and Eat*! After a brief pause, we're looking forward to gathering again over delicious food and good conversation.

### Upcoming Meet and Eat Dates:

**Year 3: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**

**Year 1: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

**Year 2: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**Year F: Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

Can't make it this time? No worries - Meet and Eat will be back again next year!

## Lunchbox Reminder

We've noticed that many packed lunches lately contain mostly sweet items. While treats are fine in moderation, it's important that children have a balanced and filling lunch to keep them energised and focused throughout the day.

Please make sure your child's lunchbox includes something substantial such as a **sandwich, wrap or pasta dish** along with a **piece of fruit**, and if you'd like, a **packet of crisps and a biscuit or small chocolate bar**.

Thank you for helping us support healthy habits and happy learning!

**A quick reminder:** To help keep everyone hydrated and focused, we only allow water in bottles during the school day.

## Ensuring Fair Access to Opportunities

We've had a few questions recently about how children are selected for extra-curricular activities and events, and whether we take fairness into account. We'd like to reassure all families that we carefully track participation in both extra-curricular clubs and sporting events to ensure every child has equal access to these enriching opportunities.

While some children may choose not to take up a particular offer, we continue to track participation to help us ensure a wide and fair spread - this is one of the reasons we achieved the **Gold Mark Award for sport**, bypassing Bronze and Silver and **Outstanding in Personal Development in our recent Ofsted**. Our aim is for over 90% participation across the school, including children with SEND and those from disadvantaged backgrounds. We're proud to say we are currently meeting that goal.

You can view the latest participation data up to the Spring Term on our website [here](#) and [here](#).

We also consider interest when offering places - for example, if a child expressed interest in the Giant Slayer performance but didn't take part, they would have been prioritised for another opportunity such as Shakespeare. Of course, there are occasional exceptions, but fairness remains a key principle in our approach. If you'd like any more information about how we track participation the ever-growing range of opportunities available, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

## Voluntary Contributions for Trips and Visits

At St Wilfrid's, we are proud to offer a rich programme of trips and visits that form a vital part of our culture of opportunity. These experiences significantly enhance our pupils' personal development – something that was recognised and praised by Ofsted in our recent **Outstanding** judgement for this area.

While contributions for these activities are voluntary, we want to be open with families: many of these trips are

currently running at a loss. Sadly, this is not sustainable, and without sufficient contributions, we may be forced to reduce the number of future visits – which would be a great loss to our pupils.

We want to reassure you that no child will ever be excluded from a trip due to financial reasons. If you're unable to contribute, please do speak to us in confidence. You may also be eligible for Pupil Premium funding, which not only supports your child directly but also helps the school cover the cost of trips and visits.

We are incredibly proud of the opportunities we offer our children and deeply value your continued support in helping us maintain them.

### Thank You and Best Wishes to Mrs Whiting!

Today is Mrs Whiting's last official day in the kitchen at St Wilfrid's. We want to say a big thank you for all the years she has spent working here and for everything she's done for our school community. We wish her all the very best for her retirement - enjoy every moment!

### Congratulations to Mrs Stevenson!

We're excited to share that Mrs Stevenson has been offered a new role within our school, supporting students in a more focused capacity starting this September. After a successful interview and a unanimous decision, we're thrilled to see her step into this position. Please join us in congratulating Mrs Stevenson on this exciting new chapter.

### Job Opportunities - Chef and Cleaner Positions Available!

St Wilfrid's School is currently recruiting for two positions:

- Cleaner: If you or someone you know is interested in the cleaner position, please contact the school office at [office@st-wilfrids.notts.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-wilfrids.notts.sch.uk).
- Chef: The chef role is being recruited through Nottinghamshire County Council. If you're interested, please click [here](#) to apply via the Council's recruitment portal.

We'd be grateful if you could share this opportunity with anyone who might be interested!

### 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!

#### Session Attendance Summary (02 Jun 2025 - 08 Jun 2025)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	89.00%	95.52%	93.67%	96.33%	97.33%	95.33%	98.21%	95.02%

#### Session Attendance Summary (09 Jun 2025 - 15 Jun 2025)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	97.00%	98.28%	91.00%	96.33%	99.33%	98.00%	96.43%	96.62%

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.



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



Diary Dates	
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Bikeability
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Reading Café Year 6 3pm
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Transition to Southwell Minster School
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> July	KS2 Sports Day 1:15pm
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	CFS Induction Day KS1 Sports Day 1:15pm
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Summer Production 6pm
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Summer Production 2pm and 6pm
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Stepping Up Day at Southwell Minster
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> -Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Hathersage Residential
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Service Last Day for pupils
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> July and Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Inset Day
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Playscheme open

