

### A Note from Miss Cousin

A huge thank you to all our wonderful parents and carers for your generous contributions and support to our recent Macmillan Coffee Morning! Together we raised £243.52 - an amazing effort that will go a long way in making a difference to those who need it. If you couldn't make it this time, please don't worry — you can still see what we got up to [here](#). Your continued support makes such a difference and we're so grateful to share these moments with you.

Following recent parent feedback, please note that any new dates from now on, added on the diary dates below, will be clearly highlighted so you can spot them easily at a glance.

### 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 'Kindness'.*

### Feeling Proud



Well done to our children celebrating for leading the way in activities and behaviour outside of school.



Emmy and Isla managed the Robin Hood marathon and did it in 18 minutes, both ran most of the way and had massive smiles on their faces as they did! Amazing achievement girls!

Esme achieved distinction in her Modern Dance exam. We are extremely proud of her. She is working extremely hard and now working towards her end of year show. Great work Esme!



Georgie started playing football at the beginning of September and got awarded player of the week.

Inspired by Richard Whiteheads visit into school Edward, Elsie and Wilfrid asked if they could take part in the Run with Rich 2025 event ... and so they did! We are so proud of them for their achievements today:

Edward and Elsie both ran the 5km event both achieving PB's (26.54 for Edward and 35.01 for Elsie). They then enjoyed the cricket, climbing wall and face painting for a while before joining Wilfrid in the sensory mile. We all had a blast and loved the positive, inclusive nature of the event. Well done to the Clifton children!



We are delighted to celebrate Flo's amazing achievement - she has been awarded her 25m Backstroke Swimming Certificate! Her dedication and perseverance are inspiring.



Katie completed her Stage 1 in swimming this week after completing her 5m Front Crawl. Excellent

work Katie – an invaluable life skill.

Finley won 4th place in the young dog handlers competition at the Southwell ploughing match. He was massively out of his comfort zone but he did an amazing job!



Lawton and Autumn climbed the Stickle Tarn in the Lake District last weekend which stands at 473m. They showed great resilience and was super proud of themselves once they reached the summit and so were Mummy and Daddy! Amazing work Leivers!



Aurora completed stage one and got her 5m front crawl too! Super work Aurora!

### Flu Vaccinations – Online Consent Now Open

The school flu vaccination programme will take place on 5th November 2025. If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school, please complete the online consent form using the link below. If you do not wish your child to receive the vaccine, you must still complete the form to indicate 'No Consent'.

[Click here to give consent or decline](#)

Important Dates:

- Consent form closes: 27th October 2025
- Vaccination date in school: 5th November 2025

If your child has already received the flu vaccine elsewhere since September 2025, you can disregard this message.

For help accessing the form, please call 0333 358 3397 (Option 4, then Option 2).

For more information:

Email: [immunisations.nottinghamshire@intrahealth.co.uk](mailto:immunisations.nottinghamshire@intrahealth.co.uk)

Website: [www.intrahealth.co.uk/Notts](http://www.intrahealth.co.uk/Notts)

Facebook: [facebook.com/Notts](https://facebook.com/Notts)



### The 2025 Kindness Challenge



Over half term, we're inviting all our children to take part in The Kindness Challenge 2025!

As you know, Kindness is our school value for the start of this year, and after the wonderful success of last year's challenge, we're excited to do it again.

If your child shows any acts of kindness over the half term break, please let Mrs Wright know by email – include what they did, when it happened, and any photos if possible! We'll celebrate their kindness when we return to school, and each child who takes part will receive a Kindness Certificate.

**Email:** [denise.wright@st-wilfrids.notts.sch.uk](mailto:denise.wright@st-wilfrids.notts.sch.uk)

Let's spread a little more kindness this half term!

### Off By Heart Poetry Competition

We are thrilled to launch our 'Off by Heart Poetry Competition', where pupils will have the chance to showcase their memorisation and performance skills by reciting a poem from memory in front of the school! All participants will get the opportunity to perform, and our finalists will be selected to compete for some exciting prizes. A panel of judges will evaluate the finalists on their expression, delivery, and confidence. Look out for a letter coming home soon with more details. It's time to get practicing – we can't wait to see the amazing.

## A reminder about toys and personal items from home



Please do not send any toys, teddies, or other personal items from home with your child. This includes small resin figures and similar items that have recently been brought in, swapped, and traded. These items are causing distractions in lessons and some behaviour concerns.

In addition, many of these small toys pose a choking hazard and create a safeguarding concern when being exchanged between children.

We appreciate your support in helping to keep our school environment safe, focused, and ready for learning.

## Fuel Their Day with Breakfast!

A healthy breakfast is one of the most important ways to help your child succeed at school. Children who start the day with a good meal are more alert, focused, and ready to learn. Please make sure your child comes to school having eaten something nutritious - it really makes a difference!

We understand that mornings can be challenging, especially if finances are tight. If you are struggling, please come and speak with us. We can offer support and may be able to help your child access additional funding through the Pupil Premium. Your child's wellbeing and success are our top priority!

## Christmas Jumper Swap is here!



It's time to dust off those festive knits and give them a new home! Join us for our Christmas Jumper Swap 2025 - the perfect way to refresh your festive wardrobe without spending a penny (or adding to landfill!)

- Send in your pre-loved jumpers by 9th December and receive a jumper token.
- On 11th December, trade in your token and pick out something new-to-you!

Let's keep the season stylish, sustainable, and full of holiday cheer.

## Harvest Festival



At this time of year, communities across the country celebrate Harvest and use it as an opportunity to support those less fortunate.

### Harvest Collection

From **Friday 3 October to Wednesday 15 October**, we will be collecting long-life food items to donate to our local food bank. Following a vote by our School Council, this

year's donations will go to the **Trussell Trust Food Bank**, which provides vital support to families and individuals in difficult circumstances.

We kindly ask that donations include **long-life items** such as:

- Tinned meats/fish
- Tinned vegetables/fruit
- Cereals
- Pasta, rice, lentils
- Tinned soups and stews
- Teabags, instant coffee, hot chocolate powder
- Biscuits
- Crisps
- Fruit squash
- UHT milk

Please note that **fresh food cannot be accepted**, as it may spoil and many food banks lack chiller facilities.

All donations are greatly appreciated and will make a real difference to those in need.

## Welcome to Our New Kitchen Member!

We're excited to introduce the newest addition to our kitchen team: Sari Kincaid! Please join us in giving Sari a warm welcome to the team!

## New Menus

Our new dinner menus for October through March have been created with input from our students through Pupil Voice. Once finalised by Vertas, these menus will be available to view on our website.

We're also inviting parents to food tasting sessions on our Spring Parent/ Carer Consultation Evenings, March 23rd and 26th, from 4–6pm, to try some of the dishes and share your feedback as we prepare for our summer menu.

## Meet and Eat is Back!

We're thrilled to announce the return of *Meet and Eat*! We're looking forward to gathering again over delicious food and good conversation.

### Upcoming Meet and Eat Dates:

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November Y5
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January Y4
- Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March Y3
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April Y2
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June F2
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June Y1

## Open Mornings/Afternoons– We can't wait to show you around!

If you have a child, or know someone with a child, who will be starting school in September 2026, put a date in your diary to attend one of our Open Mornings/Afternoons.

- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2025 9:30am 10:30am
- Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025 2pm-3pm
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025 9:30-10:30am

If you would like to book on one of these mornings, please click here or use the QR code. Please contact the school if you would like to have a tour at any other time – we will be delighted to show you around our school

Opening Mornings/Afternoons



## Exciting News – HAF Holiday Programme Bookings Now Open!



ACE is delighted to announce that bookings are now live for the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme at Calverton this October half term. Children who receive free school meals are eligible for 4 fully funded days.

This exciting programme offers free holiday clubs for eligible children, featuring:

- Fun activities, sports, and creative sessions
- A healthy meal each day

What's On:

Daily arts, crafts, and sports to keep children active and entertained

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Oct – Science Tots with Nina: Spooky Halloween potions and bubbling experiments

Thu 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Halloween Disco!

Book a child's free place here: [Book Now](#)

Spaces are limited and in high demand, so places should be secured as soon as possible.

ACE looks forward to welcoming children for an action-packed holiday club at Calverton!

## 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 (22 Sep 2025 - 26 Sep 2025)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	95.33%	97.33%	96.55%	99.35%	98.33%	97.67%	99.33%	97.71%

Session Attendance Summary (29 Sep 2025 - 03 Oct 2025)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	99.33%	100%	100%	95.48%	99.33%	94.00%	93.55%	97.35%

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. You can out the weekly attendance figures by clicking the 'Attendance' tab on the [homepage](#) of the school's website.



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Please do catch up on all the fun on our [Instagram highlights](#).

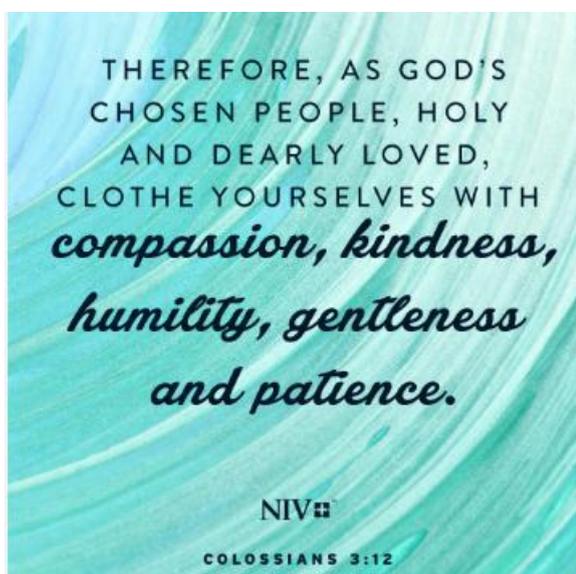
**Pupil Free School Meals and Milk**: If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, apply online [here](#).



Diary Dates 2025-26	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	9:45am Year 5 Church Worship at St Wilfrid's Church DISCO
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Y6 trip to The National Holocaust Museum Break-up for half term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	HALF TERM
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PLAYSCHEME
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Children return to school Return Christmas card designs
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole School Flu Immunisation 1-3pm
Week Comm 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Socks Day
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	F2 2026 Intake Tour 9:30-10:30am Y5 Meet and Eat
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	9:45am Year 4 Remembrance Church Worship at St Wilfrid's Church 3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	F2 2026 Intake Tour 2-3pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Paceball – PE Kit Y4 Visit to Newstead Abbey
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Y2 Reading Cafe
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	F2 2026 Intake Tour 9:30-10:30am
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Calverton Christmas light switch-on
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	9:00-11:30am Life Education - Parent Workshop at St Wilfrid's School.
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	9:45am Whole School Christingle Church Service at St Wilfrid's Church 5:30-7pm Family of Schools Christmas Concert at CFS
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	F2 2pm Nativity at school
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 2pm Nativity at school Last day to bring in your pre-loved Christmas jumper
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 2pm Nativity at school
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall 3:30pm Christmas Jumper Swap in Y1
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 2pm and 6pm Carol Concert at St Wilfrid's Church
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party Day
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Break-up for Christmas
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	CHRISTMAS BREAK
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall

Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> January	Foundation, Year 1 and 2 Little Mermaid by Nottingham Playhouse
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> January	Y4 Meet and Eat
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Fencing – PE Kit
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Y3 Reading Cafe
Week Comm 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Careers Week
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	DISCO
Week Comm 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Children’s Mental Health Week
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	NSPCC Number Day Y4 Reading Cafe
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	9:45am Year 3 Church Service at St Wilfrid’s Church 3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid’s Church in the school hall
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Break-up for half term
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	HALF TERM
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Children return to school
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Y1 Visit to Newstead Abbey
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Y5 Visit to Gainsborough Hall
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – Breakfast with Books
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Reading Cafe
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 Meet and Eat
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid’s Church in the school hall
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> - Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Book Fair
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Archery – PE Kit
Week Comm 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Class photographs
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	9:45am Year 2 Church Service at St Wilfrid’s Church
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Break-up for Easter
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March-Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	EASTER BREAK
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	PLAYSCHEME
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to school
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid’s Church in the school hall
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Quidditch – PE Kit
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Y2 Meet and Eat
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Y5 Reading Cafe
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 Hagg Farm Residential
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	F2 Field Farm
Week Comm 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 SATs Week
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 Partake Ancient Egyptians Day 3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid’s Church in the school hall
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	9:45am Year 1 Church Service at St Wilfrid’s Church DISCO
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Break-up for half term
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	HALF TERM
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Children return to school
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Colour Run
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	F2 Meet and Eat
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid’s Church in the school hall
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Reading Cafe

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Bikeability
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y6 Bikeability
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	
	Y1 Meet and Eat
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Golf – PE Kit
Week Comm Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 and KS2 Summer Production TBC
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	9:45am Year F2 Church Service at St Wilfrid's Church
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Sports Day
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	KS1 Sports Day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Residential
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Children break-up for summer
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> July – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	PLAYSCHEME



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