

### A Note from Miss Cousin



Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a wonderful half term – it already feels like a while ago now! It's been a very busy and exciting few weeks here at school.

First of all, a huge congratulations to Miss Chambers, who got married over the break! We wish her every happiness as she begins this new chapter as Mrs Allen – congratulations!

Our Year 6 pupils had a meaningful visit to the Holocaust Museum and three of our courageous advocates presented at a Church Leaders Living Hope Conference – you can see highlights from this on our Instagram if you missed it.

We've also loved getting back into sporting events, starting with Boccia, and there are plenty more lined up for the coming weeks. Letters will be sent out to those invited to take part.

As always, it's great to be back and gearing up for (dare I say it!) Christmas. But before then, we have lots of exciting things happening so do check out the calendar below to stay up to date.

### 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



A big well done to all of this week's Golden Box and Celebration Worship award winners - your hard work, kindness, and dedication set the perfect example for everyone.



Oscar achieved his 5 meters – huge well done Oscar

Well done to Flo who received a swimming trophy at her presentation for taking part in a swimming gala in the summer and racing in a 25m freestyle race.





We are incredible proud of Violet for achieving her final skills award level 1 for gymnastics. She has now completed all 8 levels. Well done Violet!

Noah entered the Cyclocross Cubs event with other Cubs groups. They were put into ages and despite being one of the youngest 9 year olds he made it to the final, which he won along with every race he did! His fellow Calverton Cubs also did fantastic and they won the overall award! We are so proud of you Noah!



Arthur took part in his first cubs bike race across the county: On his first race he came first, second he was second and in the final he came third! The whole team worked so well and pushed themselves so hard they won by a long shot and took home the trophy! We are so proud of how well he is settling into cubs so easily and putting himself forward for these challenges. Excellent work Arthur!



Arthur also took on his Cubs challenge of litter picking for thirty minutes to help with our local environment. We went to Lambely Dumbles and litter picked for more than two hours in all, they cleared the school field the park and the courts before heading down to the dumbles and getting stuck- in in the water.



After a lot of laughs, splashes and falls and with wet everything and heavy bags of rubbish the challenge was completed. We are so proud of how he turned a challenge like this into such an enjoyable time with friends- best day ever we were told several times!

Maggie helped her brother and Edward with their litter picking challenge from Cubs by grabbing a litter picker herself and off roading into the Lambely Dumbles! We had an absolute blast- collected litter for two bags and ended up with a wellington boot stuck so far in the mud we had to dig it out with our hands- her white school socks now brown- but she continued to look for litter until the bitter end despite wet socks, sludgy wellies and wet leggings to her knees...! Well done Maggie!



Oliver has worked so hard and achieved his 25 metres front crawl certificate. He has kept going and persevered with his lessons even when he's hasn't always wanted to! We are so proud of you Oliver.



Isla has achieved her 5m backstroke badge and level 8 gymnastics – she has been practicing hard. It's paid off Isla, well done!

Elsie received her very first swimming certificate! She's grown so confident in the water and looks forward to her lesson every week. We're so proud of how far she's come and love seeing her happy little smile in the pool! Great work Elsie, we're proud of you!



family



A big well done to Charlie, who ran his very first 5k ParkRun this weekend! On Sunday, the whole family joined in for the Junior (2k) ParkRun, where Millie smashed her previous personal best—taking an incredible 38 seconds off her time! We're so proud of them both for their effort, determination, and smiles all the way to the finish line!

Charlotte has successfully completed stage 8 in swimming perfecting her butterfly stroke, mastering both breaststroke and butterfly turns all whilst getting to know a new teacher. She's done so well and we're incredibly proud of her determination.



## Kindness Challenge



During the day at the butterfly park, Esme found three scrolls which allowed a child to get a free gift. Esme shared the scrolls with two other children to share the love.

Georgie met a girl on holiday, Amelia, she was 5 years old. Amelia saw Georgie diving to fetch her toys in the pool and wanted to join in but she wasn't a strong swimmer.

Georgie spent the afternoon teaching Amelia to dive. Amelia's parents came over to

thank us and said how kind and patient Georgie had been to Amelia

## We're Hiring – Kitchen Chef Wanted!

Do you love cooking tasty, healthy meals and making a difference in children's days? Our school kitchen is looking for a talented and enthusiastic Chef to join the team!

If you're passionate about great food and bringing smiles to young faces, we'd love to hear from you.

**Apply now:** Emil.Kelley.Hardwick@vertas.co.uk

## Enrichment Update – Autumn Term

Here is our enrichment programme for the Autumn Term. You can find more details about our enrichment participation on our [website](#). Keep checking as we do continue to add to this offer.

## Awards and Recognition



We're delighted to share that our school has recently received the RHS School Gardening Award, recognising our pupils' enthusiasm and commitment to cultivating green spaces. A big thank you to Mrs Wood and Miss Morton for their dedication to this project. In addition, we were honoured with a Certificate of Appreciation for our important contribution as an EEF Project Partner. These achievements

reflect the hard work and dedication of our staff, students and community - well done everyone!



## Careers and Aspirations Week – We Need You!

Do you have an interesting job or career path you'd like to share? Could you inspire our students by running a 45 minute (give or take) workshop? We're inviting parents, carers, and friends of the school to come in during **Careers Week (w/c 26th Jan)** and talk to our children about your job or career journey! We can tailor the session to a year group that best suits your workshop, and we'll work with you to find a day and time that fits your schedule. Whether it's hands-on activities, sharing your experiences, or answering questions, your insight could make a huge impact on our students' future aspirations. If you're interested or know someone who might be, please get in touch – we'd love to hear from you! Thank you for supporting our Careers Week!

## Pupil Premium – Help Us Help Your Children!

School budgets are tighter than ever, and Pupil Premium funding helps us provide extra support, clubs, trips, and resources for eligible pupils.

Check if you qualify here: [Free School Meals and Milk – Nottinghamshire County Council](#)

Need help? Pop into the office. Families who sign up will receive a free school tie and be entered into a £100 food voucher prize draw!

## Uniform Reminder

As we move into the winter months, we'd like to remind families that we are now in our winter uniform.

While pupils may continue to wear school shorts if they wish, a school tie must now be worn until the start of the second half of the Summer Term. We've noticed standards slipping a little recently, nail varnish, hoop earrings and trainers have crept in, so we appreciate everyone's help in maintaining our smart school appearance. Ties are available from the school office and are priced at £3.40.

## Pre-Loved Uniform – message from the PSA

Thank you to everyone who has donated school uniform for our future pre-loved sales. We now have enough to keep us going. We will let you know when we can start accepting donations again in the future. Dates for the pre-loved sale will be shared shortly.

## 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

Opening Mornings/Afternoons



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

## 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 (06 Oct 2025 - 10 Oct 2025)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	99.00%	99.33%	99.31%	96.45%	96.00%	99.00%	99.33%	98.33%

Session Attendance Summary (13 Oct 2025 - 31 Oct 2025)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	97.67%	98.67%	98.28%	95.48%	95.33%	95.33%	97.67%	96.90%

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.



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

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	
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 – <b>KS2 Ramble</b>

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
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Y3 The Romans in Southwell
Week Comm 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Careers Week
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Eco Club visit to Material Recovery Facility at Mansfield- 12:30 - 15:30
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



**“LOVE IS PATIENT, LOVE IS KIND.  
IT DOES NOT ENVY, IT DOES NOT  
BOAST, IT IS NOT PROUD. IT DOES  
NOT DISHONOR OTHERS, IT IS NOT  
SELF-SEEKING, IT IS NOT EASILY  
ANGERED, IT KEEPS NO RECORD  
OF WRONGS. LOVE DOES NOT  
DELIGHT IN EVIL BUT REJOICES  
WITH THE TRUTH. IT ALWAYS  
PROTECTS, ALWAYS TRUSTS,  
ALWAYS HOPES, ALWAYS  
PERSEVERES.”**

**1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-7**

