



St Wilfrid's CE Primary School Newsletter

Learning and growing together; living life in all its fullness

A Note from Miss Cousin

Before half term, we had a wonderfully busy and positive time in school. Together, we raised an impressive £305 for Comic Relief and £194.18 at our Book Fair - thank you so much for your continued support, it really does make a difference.

This week has been especially lovely, with the sunshine and lighter mornings and evenings very much welcomed by us all. I would also like to say how incredibly proud we are of your children. They were remarkable in both their behaviour and their efforts during Rev Sam's leavers' service and they proudly demonstrated our school values in action. Not wanting to jinx it, but I have a feeling this is going to be a really lovely term ahead.

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

Feeling Proud



We're really proud to celebrate what our children have been achieving beyond the classroom. From personal successes to representing the school at sporting events, it's been fantastic to see their effort, teamwork and enthusiasm. They've done a brilliant job of representing the school. Amazing work – we're so proud of you all!



Congratulations to our Golden Box pupils. Their outstanding academic achievements, combined with their exemplary character, make them wonderful role models for others. We are incredibly proud of their hard work, positive attitudes and the values they live out every day. Well done to all!



Well done, Mia, on achieving her 10m! What a fantastic accomplishment - such a great skill to be able to swim with confidence.

Violet achieved her 50m swimming badge and passed Stage 4. We are so proud of her.





Edie has been nominated as Star of the Week at her performing arts school - an amazing achievement! She was recognised for her dedication, hard work, and for giving 100% effort. Edie has settled brilliantly into her new classes and is already looking forward to her first performance. Well done, Edie - keep up the fantastic work!

Bobby achieved his 100m distance badge. Excellent work Bobby!



Huge congratulations to Harvey and Elsie for achieving their chief scouts bronze award. It's the highest award a beaver can get and to get the badge they need to complete six challenge badges including a personal challenge and teamwork and then a further 2 staged award badges and 4 activity badges. It's been a lot of work but they are super proud and two of only 3 beavers ever at Calverton Beavers to be awarded the bronze award. A huge achievement and massive well done to them.



Edie took part in the performance of Aladdin that the stage school put on at the start of the Easter holidays and did brilliantly. She loved the experience as well as the costume! We're super proud of her.

150 - 200 Reads



Wow – what an amazing milestone! Reaching 150-200 reads since September is something to be really proud of. Well done to everyone who has achieved this milestone. That's around seven reads every week! Amazing work!



Rev Sam

We send our love and best wishes to Rev Sam as she recovers from her fall and broken knee. We are thinking of her and praying for a smooth recovery, renewed strength, and brighter days ahead. Wishing her comfort, healing, and peace during this time.

As she begins her new role as Archdeacon, we also want to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt goodbye. Rev Sam has been a much-valued part of our community, and she will be greatly missed by us all. We are so grateful for her guidance, kindness and dedication, which have made a lasting difference.

We wish her every blessing and success in this exciting new chapter.

Governors

We would like to extend our thanks to Gemma Berry and Mike Hulme for their dedication, support and guidance during their time as governors. Their contribution has been greatly valued and has made a lasting impact on our school community.

We are also delighted to welcome Mark Denyer and Andrew Pattison as our new Foundation Governors. We

look forward to working with them and benefiting from their experience and insight as they join us in supporting the continued development of the school.

New Summer Term Dinner Menu

With summer on its way, we are excited to introduce our [summer term school dinner menu](#) for the upcoming term. We hope you enjoyed the tasting sessions during parents' evening and had the chance to sample some of the new choices. As part of the new menu, we will be offering a three-week rotation for the second meal option. This will include one week of cobs, one week of paninis, and one week of jacket potatoes. Cob options will include cheese, ham and tuna mayo, while paninis will be available as either cheese or ham and cheese. Jacket potatoes will continue to be served with a variety of fillings. Children who usually choose the main dinner (red) option will still be able to do so. On weeks when cobs or paninis are served, they will have the opportunity to select from these options as part of their meal.

After-School Club



ACE Sports After-School Club is continuing for the summer term, with a different activity each half term - just like last year!

Club Days:

- Monday: EYFS and KS1

Upcoming Sessions:

- Summer 1: Rounders (EYFS & KS1)
- Summer 2: Athletics (EYFS & KS1), including Sports Day practice.

Booking Information:

Please use the link to book.

[Rounders KS1](#)

Enrichment Offer – Summer Term

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

Birthday Treats

We love to celebrate our pupils' birthdays and understand that some families like to send in treats to mark the occasion. However, due to a range of allergies within the school, we kindly ask that any birthday treats are not shared or eaten during the school day.

Instead, treats will be distributed at the end of the day on the playground for pupils to take home. This allows parents and carers to oversee what their child has and helps us keep all children safe.

Coming Soon: Our School Dog



We are excited to share that St Wilfrid's CE Primary School will soon be welcoming a school therapy dog as part of our ongoing commitment to supporting pupil wellbeing, emotional regulation and positive behaviour.

The dog, a friendly and gentle Cavapoo owned by Mrs Streets, has been carefully chosen for its calm temperament and suitability for working with children. Based in the Den or Miss Cousin's office, the dog will always be supervised by Mrs Streets, its trained handler, or Miss Cousin and will be kept on a lead in a controlled environment.



Children will only interact with the dog as part of planned, adult-supervised activities such as wellbeing support, SEND interventions, or positive behaviour rewards. All interactions are optional, short, and carefully managed- parents are able to opt out by letting us know – no problem. We understand that some children may feel unsure around dogs. Please be reassured that no child will ever be required to interact and alternative arrangements will always be in place to ensure everyone feels safe

and comfortable.

Therapy dogs can bring many benefits, including helping to reduce anxiety, encourage calm behaviour, build confidence, and provide comfort.

If you have any questions, concerns, or wish to discuss allergies or your child's needs, please contact Miss Cousin.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

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 (16 Mar 2026 - 20 Mar 2026)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	99.00%	98.67%	94.67%	99.00%	98.00%	96.67%	99.00%	97.86%

Session Attendance Summary (23 Mar 2026 - 10 Apr 2026)

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	All Years
Attendance	99.33%	98.67%	94.33%	93.33%	95.00%	91.00%	98.67%	95.76%

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](#).



Diary Dates 2025-26	
Monday 20 th April	Parent Forum PSHE and Relationships 5:30-6pm including Behaviour and School Dog policy sharing
Tuesday 21 st April	3:30pm and 5:30pm Y4 Hagg Farm Parent Meeting 6pm PSA Meeting at The Rodney – re Colour Run
Friday 24 th April	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Golf – PE Kit
Monday 27 th April	Y2 Partake Knights and Castle Life
Wednesday 29 th April	Y2 Meet and Eat
Friday 1 st May	Y5 Reading Cafe
Wednesday 6 th May – Friday 8 th May	Y4 Hagg Farm Residential
Thursday 7 th May	F2 Field Farm
Friday 8 th May	David Attenborough's Birthday – picnic at lunchtime for parents and carers. Letter to follow
Week Comm 11 th May	Y6 SATs Week

Thursday 14 th May	Y3 Partake Ancient Egyptians Day 3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall
Sunday 17 th May	Calverton Village Get Together
Monday 18 th May	Y6 Trip to Nottingham Trent University
Thursday 21 st May	9:45am Year 1 Church Service at St Wilfrid's Church DISCO
Friday 22 nd May	House World Cup Day – PE Kits 9am Music Concert – parents of musicians invited Break-up for half term
Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th May	HALF TERM
Monday 1 st June	Children return to school
Tuesday 2nd June	The Great St Wilfrid's Bake Off
Friday 5 th June	Colour Run
Wednesday 10 th June	F2 Meet and Eat
Thursday 11 th June	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall
Friday 12 th June	Y6 Reading Cafe
Wednesday 17 th June	Y2 Time Travelling at Southwell Minster
Thursday 18 th June	Y6 Bikeability
Friday 19 th June	
Tuesday 23 rd June	Y6 Bikeability
Wednesday 24 th June	Y1 Meet and Eat
Friday 26 th June	Whole School Enrichment Taster Workshop – Quidditch – PE Kit
Week Comm Monday 29 th June	Y6 and KS2 Summer Production TBC
Thursday 2 nd July	9:45am Year F2 Church Service at St Wilfrid's Church
Week Comm 6 th July	Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing Week – info TBC
Monday 6 th July	KS2 Sports Day
Wednesday 8 th July	KS1 Sports Day
Thursday 9 th July	3:30-4:30pm ROOTS run by St Wilfrid's Church in the school hall
Wednesday 10 th July	Y2 Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Tuesday 14 th – Friday 17 th July	Y6 Residential
Wednesday 15th July	Y1 White Post Farm
Thursday 23 rd July	Children break-up for summer
Friday 24 th July	INSET
Monday 27 th July	INSET
Monday 27th July – Friday 7 th August	PLAYSCHEME

