



**Attendance Traffic Lights**

95% and above	91% - 94%	90% and below
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<b>Attendance for the whole school this week was 91.3%</b>					
<b>Seahorses</b> 89.9%	<b>Whales</b> 97.7%	<b>Dolphins</b> 92.7%	<b>Foxes</b> 89.3%	<b>Badgers</b> 84.2%	<b>Hares</b> 91.6%
<b>Flamingos</b> 89.8%	<b>Toucans</b> 96.2%	<b>Parrots</b> 90%	<b>Lions</b> 93.1%	<b>Tigers</b> 93.6%	<b>Jaguars</b> 88.2%
<p>Congratulations to the Whales who achieved 97.7% attendance and have won Gold, the Toucans who won Silver and the Tigers won Bronze Congratulations to the <b>Whales</b> who are our Full House Friday Winners this week.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Let's get all our classes in the <b>green!</b> #ThrivingTogether</p>					

**Key Dates:**

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 - Dress to Express, further details below
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023 - The last day of this half term
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – The first day of the new term
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Dolphins, Whales & Yr. 6 height & weight checks
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 - Parents evening

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb 23
Yr. 4 Castleton Residential workshop 3.15pm.		Jaguars swimming lesson		Dress to Express (please see letter below) The last day of this half term.

**What's Been Happening in School:**

<b>Year 1 &amp; 2</b>	This week KS1 have written their recounts of The Great Fire of London, trying hard to use time openers, key vocabulary and make use of the writing toolkits to check they have used full stops and capital letters correctly. At the beginning of the week, the children were very excited to have a virtual meeting online, and go back in time with Thomas Farriner, the baker from the Great Fire of London. The children posed some fantastic questions to him and used some of the information in their writing. Year 1 children have worked hard in maths, comparing numbers to 20 using more than and greater than symbols. Year 2 children have begun multiplication and learning new vocabulary e.g. equal, groups of, lots of and have used manipulatives to share amounts equally.
<b>Year 3 &amp; 4</b>	This week Year 3 and 4 have been writing a setting description inspired by the events of Pompeii in 79AD. They have focused on creative vocabulary and fronted adverbials. In Maths, Year 3 have been focusing on multiples of 10 and using this knowledge to answer bigger questions such as 20 x 3. They learnt they could use 2 x 3 and times that answer by 10. In Year 4, the pupils have been learning to order and round decimals. In topic, Parrots Class began to build their volcanoes this week. They are looking forward to painting these and eventually creating an eruption! Flamingos have also been finishing off their volcanoes this week. Toucans have been painting their own Hokusai Wave using water colours and fine line black marker pens. These paintings have come out great and we are excited for the children to be able to share them with you later!
<b>Year 5 &amp; 6</b>	This week UKS2 have been writing their narratives focusing on using speech, action and description to create an effective story. They've worked really hard on them and I'm sure they'd love to share their work with you so that you can read too. In Art, we have been looking at how to realistically draw human figures using videos to support our learning. In science, we have been looking at the different sections of the human heart ready to do a practical dissection of a heart next week! In PE, each class has continued to develop their rugby skills; soon they will be ready to compete!



**Year 4 Castleton Residential:** If you have booked and paid for the Y4 Castleton Residential in March, there is a parent/carer workshop explaining more about itineraries, kit lists and FAQ's. Please come along on **Monday 6th February** at **3.15pm** in the School Hall. Thank you

**Year 5 and 6:** As part of our bodies topic we have been learning about the circulatory system. On the **Tuesday 9th February** we will be dissecting an animal's heart in our classes to see the different parts of the heart. Children can either watch or partake in the dissection. If there are any issues please let your class teacher know. Thank you.



**World Thinking Day:** If your child is in Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs or Scouts they are welcome to wear their group uniform to school for the day on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** to mark World Thinking Day and to reflect on the theme 'Our World: Our Peaceful Future'. It is normal school uniform for all other children.

**Height and weight checks for children in Reception and Year 6:** On Tuesday 28th February the height and weight of Reception and Year 6 children will be measured. This is called the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP). Trained health staff from Nottingham CityCare Partnership carry out the measurements. Children are measured in a private space away from other children and will be fully clothed only taking off their shoes and coats. Your child should have brought home a letter this week explaining the process in much more detail. Please speak to the office if you did not receive one or would like a replacement.

If you are happy for your child to be measured, you do not need to do anything. If you do not want your child to be measured, or your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight, please tell your school as soon as possible.

**Conduct on Campus:** All staff are approachable and expect to be treated with respect as we are all working hard in school for your children. We are all role models to your children and so ask for consideration of how you address school staff so that any issues can be dealt with swiftly. Governors have agreed a new Anti-Social Behaviour Policy, which can be found on our school website <https://bit.ly/3WMkFb8>

**Head Lice:** We have recently had outbreaks of head lice in school. Please be vigilant and check your child's hair regularly. If you do find evidence of head lice or their eggs in your child's hair please ensure they are fully treated before they return to school. Thank you for your continued support.

**Free School Meals:** Parents and carers could **save up to £437** per year by checking if their child is eligible for free school meals. All primary school children in reception, year one and year two are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals, free for all children in Government funded schools. If you receive benefits, your children may be entitled to continue having Free School Meals after year two. Please check your eligibility and apply here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

**Scarlet Fever Advice:** Please follow this link for advice from the Health Security Agency re scarlet fever symptoms: <https://bit.ly/3FEt6Ad>

**Nut Free snacks and Packed Lunches:** Please ensure that you do not send your child to school with products containing nuts, including chocolate spread. We have a number of children with severe nut allergies which means we must keep Heathfield a **NUT FREE ZONE**.

**Invacuation Practice:** At school we hold regular fire drills to practice evacuating the building in an emergency. Schools are now required to practice invacuation procedures so that we are prepared for any event in the community that should require all children to be brought into school quickly and the building secured. This will be signaled through the sound of a klaxon. We appreciate that practicing such a procedure will be new for our pupils and may cause them to ask questions. We would like to reassure you that we will handle this in the most appropriate manner to try and limit the impact on the children. We hope, that by practicing invacuations on a more regular basis, the pupils will become accustomed to the process. We hope that by letting parents/carers know in advance of us carrying out an invacuation drill, you will be able to reassure your children should they come home with any concerns.

**Support for our families:** Our Local Councillor, Linda Woodings, has made us aware of a fantastic website for Nottingham residents - Ask Lion - <https://bit.ly/3FWUPMm> that offers practical advice and support on a wide range of topics including cost of living support, access to food, free activities for children and lots more.

## Attendance Updates

**GREAT WORK PARENTS! Thanks for making sure your children are coming to school, keep it up.**

**Don't forget 'FULL HOUSE FRIDAY FIVER!'**

All classes that achieve 100% attendance on a Friday, will earn £5 for them to spend on something for their class.

**Remember, the first day of the weekend is Saturday, not Friday. All the best things happen in school happen on a Friday. Please ensure you are here every Friday.**



Aiming High



If you do need any support with attendance, please do not hesitate to contact me

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Let's all get in the **green!**

*Mr Battison*

**DOUBLE HOME GAME WEEKEND**

VENUE: NWA - NG37ED

**The Hoods**

@HOODSBASKETBALL  
#LETSGOHOODS

SATURDAY  
4TH  
FEBRUARY VS  
6.30PM



SUNDAY  
5TH  
FEBRUARY VS  
3.00PM



LIVE BASKETBALL  
COMPETITIONS  
HOODS HOTDOGS  
SHOOT-OUT



MEET THE PLAYERS  
MERCHANDISE  
CHUCK-A-DUCK  
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ADULTS £6  
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# Positive Mental Health and Well-Being at Heathfield

This half term we are focusing on our well-being area of

## 'Take notice'

### GROUNDING TECHNIQUE

#### For Kids

*Using their 5 Senses*

5 things you can see 

4 things you can feel 

3 things you can hear 

2 things you can smell 

1 thing you can taste 

### Ways to Take Notice:

In our busy daily lives, we rarely take time to stop, pay attention to what is going on right now, and appreciate the world around us. It may be difficult to know how to begin to take notice. A good place to start is with our five senses: smell, sight, hearing, touch and taste.

### Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 6-12 February 2023. This year's theme is Let's Connect.

**Let's Connect** is about making meaningful connections. Human beings thrive in communities, and this connection is vital for our wellbeing. When we have healthy connections – to family, friends and others – this can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing.

Check out the **free resources** for families:  
[cmhw2023\\_parents-carerstips.pdf](#)

# AEM

Autism East Midlands

## Nottingham City Family Support Hub

### Session dates for 2023

45th Scout Group  
Edwards Lane  
Nottingham, NG5 5SL

The aim of the hub is to offer support and a safe space for families who have children on the Autistic Spectrum. These are drop in sessions for the whole family to enjoy, aimed at children under 11 years of age. Children (including siblings) can participate at their own pace with support from parents and our staff team. Families can engage in activities or sit back and enjoy some refreshments, whilst talking to other families and sharing experiences or speaking with staff for advice and support.

No need to book a place – just turn up – but feel free to contact me if you have any questions - [Hannah.Weir@aem.org.uk](mailto:Hannah.Weir@aem.org.uk)

Usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 4.30-6.30pm

January 18 <sup>th</sup>	February 15 <sup>th</sup>
March 15 <sup>th</sup>	April 19 <sup>th</sup>
May 17 <sup>th</sup>	June 21 <sup>st</sup>
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	August 16 <sup>th</sup>
September 20 <sup>th</sup>	October 18 <sup>th</sup>
November 15 <sup>th</sup>	December event TBC



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## Thriving Together

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Dear Parent / Carer,

### **Dress to Express fundraiser for Children's Mental Health Week 2023**

I am writing to let you know that Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February marks the beginning of Children's Mental Health Week. Children's Mental Health Week is taking place from 6–10 February 2023 and is an opportunity to shine a spotlight on and raise awareness for children and young people's mental health.

## **Dress to Express**

As a school community, we will be encouraging all students and staff to use clothing and colour to express themselves on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**. We also kindly ask that all children who take part make a suggested £1 donation.

Your child/children's Dress to Express outfit can be as simple or elaborate as they like! Dress to Express is an opportunity for self-expression and celebrating a diverse range of emotions. The day also provides a great opportunity to be open about mental health and start conversations within our school community.

If you have any queries, please get in touch.

Kind regards,

*Liam Battison*

**Deputy Headteacher – Pastoral Support**