



Reach for the Stars

# Leas Park Junior School

# NEWSLETTER

Week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Welcome to our Newsletter,

Here we are in the final week of this half-term! We have lots of exciting things to look forward to when we return after the February break:

### **Key information for this week.....**

Our Mother's Day Breakfast dates are now live on ParentPay. We welcome all our wonderful Mother's, Grandmother's, Great-Grandmothers and Aunties; we look forward to celebrating you on this day.

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March this year and we are encouraging our children to come dressed as their favourite character from their favourite book. There will be lots of book-based tasks taking place throughout the day and we can't wait to celebrate our love of reading!

Red Nose Day is on 20<sup>th</sup> March, and we have now added this to ParentPay for you to pre-order your child's nose. This year's theme is a first ever "Design-Yer nose, where anything goes". Grab your markers, stickers and crayons, or go all out with sparkles, bling, pom-poms and bows.

### **Reminders.....**

**Dojo** is for teachers to share events of the day with parents, If your child is unwell, please ensure you contact the school office and not Dojo. You can call, leave a voicemail 24/7 or email [admin1@leaspark.notts.sch.uk](mailto:admin1@leaspark.notts.sch.uk) with the information of your child's absence.

**Parking** around the school grounds should be done safely and with the utmost respect for the people living in the houses around our school. We would kindly ask parents not to park on corners, block the streets or the drives of the people living nearby. At all times, emergency vehicles must be able to get down every street to attend any home. Please can you ensure you are parking where it is safe.

## Golden Tickets

Class 3B are our Golden Ticket winners for this half term! They have worked really hard to earn an amazing 12 tickets!

They are celebrating with a fun-filled afternoon of music, balloons, nibbles and a bit of hockey outside whilst the rain holds off! We will share some pictures of their celebrations next week.



# Jeff Rich – Drum Workshop

We were thrilled to welcome Jeff Rich to our school on Friday for a whole-school workshop. Jeff was the drummer of famous rock band Status Quo from 1985 to 2000. He introduced our children to a range of different drums and treated us to an incredible live performance! His energy, skill and passion for music were truly inspiring — the children were completely mesmerised by his playing and enjoyed performing with him. It was an unforgettable experience that brought music to life and left everyone buzzing with excitement.



# Communication Update Arbor Parent App

Later this week you will receive your welcome email telling you that Arbor is ready.

Only adults who are primary guardians of a child can access the app. Primary guardians are usually the persons who have parental responsibility.

When you receive your welcome email, please download the Arbor app and **allow all** notifications.

Once parents are registered, Arbor will be our main communication channel.

What parents will be able see:

- The student's address and home phone number if they live with the student
- Any student details they are marked down as a Primary Guardian for
- Bookings to clubs and trips, but not who signed the child up (school or another guardian)
- Payment history, including which parent logged a top up
- Current attendance figures

If you have any questions or issues please do not hesitate to speak with the office team who will be happy to help.

# Reminders, messages and additional news – please read!!

## Waterproof coats

Please ensure your child brings a warm, waterproof coat to school every day, to keep them protected from the elements during our inclement English weather! All items of clothing should be labelled.

## Late collection

If you are aware that you are going to be late to collect your child at the end of the school day, please let us know in plenty of time and **before** the end of school at 3:15pm. When calls are received after the end of school, it is difficult for Reception Staff to get to the classrooms before the children have left.

## Changing dinners

Please note that the school office will need **one weeks' notice**, if you wish to change your child from school meals to sandwiches, or vice versa. Thank you.

## Pupil Information

Please ensure school have all of your current contact information up to date. If you change your name, telephone number or address, please let school know as soon as possible and ensure that we always have **at least two separate emergency contacts** for your child.

## Pupil Lateness and Absence

School starts at **08:45am**. Please ensure your child arrives on time and with all the uniform, equipment, lunch and snacks that they require for their day. If you are going to be late arriving to school, or if your child is not in full school uniform, please contact us on 01623 477629 to let us know why. If you know in advance that your child will not be in or will be late in the following day, the message system regarding pupil absence can be accessed at any time outside of office hours via our telephone number.

If your child needs to be out of school for any reason, please complete a 'Withdrawal from Learning Form' and submit to the school office asap, for authorisation at the discretion of the head teacher. These forms can be accessed via this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/v7wFmYp9J7> or paper copies are available from the leaflet stand in reception.

## Illness & Medications

If you do need to keep your child off school on a school day, please contact the school office on 01623 477629 **before 09:00am on the day they are due to be off**.

If you wish for your child to be given medication whilst at school, please complete and submit the form via this link:

[Leas Park Junior School - Permission for School to Administer Medication](#)

**All medication needs to be both handed into school and collected, by an adult.**

## Staff Car Park

Please note the staff car park is for use **by staff only**. We have very limited space and quite often staff need to leave site and return at short notice. Extra vehicles can make manoeuvring dangerous and can also mean that spaces aren't available for staff who need to be here. Thank you for your understanding.

## Nut free school

In line with NCC policy regarding nut allergies, we do not allow any type of nuts including peanuts in school - either in packed lunches or in snacks. This also includes any nut based products including Nutella, other sandwich spreads containing nuts and any cereal bars that may contain nuts.

Thank you for your support.

## Snacks

Children are allowed to bring a healthy snack in with them to have during break time, for example fruit or vegetables. Please do not send in grab bags/multi packs of crisps, biscuits or sweets. Please ensure any food sent in to school is nut free. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Jewellery

Children should not be wearing jewellery to school, with the exception of a watch (not a smartwatch) and small stud earrings, which will need to be removed or covered during PE lessons. This is due to Health and Safety and the possibility of loss or damage.

# Missed a School Vaccine?

We've got you covered!



If you live in Nottingham or Nottinghamshire and have a school-aged child who has missed a vaccination you can make a free appointment for one of our catch up sessions.

Call Intrahealth on  
0333 358 3397 option 4  
followed by option 2



Monday 16th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Hucknall Family Hub</b> (Ashfield Family Hub) Broomhill Road, Nottingham NG15 6AJ
Monday 16th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Chilwell Family Hub</b> Great Hoggett Drive, Chilwell NG9 4HQ
Tuesday 17th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Intrahealth</b> Unit 2A East Bridgford Business Park, Kneeton Road, East Bridgford, NG13 8PJ
Tuesday 17th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Retford Family Hub</b> Spa Lane, Retford DN22 6EA (Car Park on New Street)
Wednesday 18th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Arnbrook Family Hub</b> Home Close, off Bestwood Lodge Dr, Arnold NG5 8NE
Thursday 19th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Mansfield Woodhouse Family Hub</b> Swan Ln, Mansfield Woodhouse, Mansfield NG19 8BT
Friday 20th February 2026	10am-4pm	<b>Nottingham High School</b> Waverley Mount, Nottingham, NG7 4ED

Scan the QR code for more information and a full list of clinics:





# HOME START Mansfield

# Elders & Toddlers Playgroup

Tuesdays  
9:30-11:30

Trinity Methodist Church,  
High Street,  
Mansfield Woodhouse

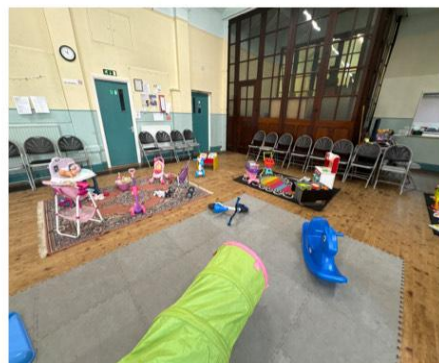


A playgroup for parents, grandparents, children under 5 and over 60s who would like some company



**FREE**

Term time only  
Free hot drink and  
biscuits



*For more info: email  
[homestartplaygroup.mansfield@gmail.com](mailto:homestartplaygroup.mansfield@gmail.com)*

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# Healthy Family Team Newsletter for Primary Schools



Nottinghamshire Healthcare  
NHS Foundation Trust

hello  
WINTER



AHOJ TERE HALLO  
iHOLA RE OLA HEJ  
**HELLO** HALO  
MERHABA KUMUSTA  
BONJOUR

Hi!

We just wanted to say a big hello and remind you about the services on offer locally to support families.

Nottinghamshire

## Parentline Text 07520 619919

This is a text messaging service delivered by the Healthy Family Team for parents and carers.

Monday to Friday,  
from 9am to 4.30pm

\* it's OK to \*  
ASK for HELP

Nottinghamshire

## Advice Line Telephone 0300 123 5436

This is for parents, carers and practitioners who want to speak to the Healthy Family Team for advice or support.

Monday to Friday, from 9am to 4.30pm

## Nottingham City Contact

This is for parents, carers and practitioners who want to speak to the Children's Health Advice Hub for advice or support.

Call: 0300 300 0040

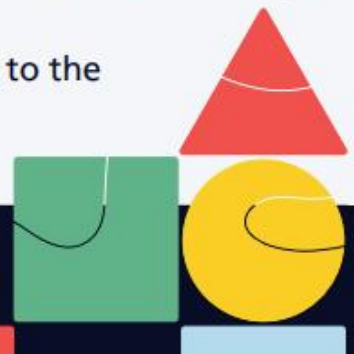
## Doncaster Contact

This is for parents, carers and practitioners who want to speak to the Doncaster Health Visiting Team for advice or support.

Call: 0300 021 8997



# Healthy Family Team



# SEND



The Healthy Family Team may be able to contribute to EHCP requests and Annual reviews when actively working with your child/young person or where they have been involved within the last 12 months. Please inform your EHCP case worker or school Senco if input is required.

## SUPPORT

[NOTTSHELPHYOURSELF.ORG.UK](http://NOTTSHELPHYOURSELF.ORG.UK)  
is the local offer for Nottinghamshire.  
[www.nottshelpyourself.org.uk](http://www.nottshelpyourself.org.uk)  
CALL: 0300 500 80 80



# Winter

Was this resource useful?  
All feedback is appreciated.

Please contact The Health Promotion Team:  
Call: 0115 8760136  
Email: [HealthPromotionTeam@nottshc.nhs.uk](mailto:HealthPromotionTeam@nottshc.nhs.uk)



The screenshot shows the 'Health for Kids' website with a navigation bar (Staying Healthy, Illness, Feelings, Getting Help), a main content area with 'Games', 'Activities', and 'Quizzes' buttons, and a footer with contact information: 'www.healthforkids.co.uk', '07520 619919', and '0300 123 5436'. It also features social media icons for Facebook and Twitter.

## Speech and Language



Do you have any questions or concerns about your child's talking or communication?

We are happy to help, please call the advice line on:

**0300 123 3387**  
**OPTION 1**



## Health For Kids Website

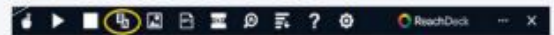


This website offers a fun, engaging and interactive way for children to learn about health. It links parents and children to appropriate health and wellbeing services.

You can download articles into other languages at the click of a button on the ReachDeck task bar.

### How to translate the website

You can translate the website using the symbol highlighted in the image below. By clicking on this symbol, you open an options menu with different languages. Once you select the language of preference, the page will be automatically translated.



HAVE FUN



[www.healthforkids.co.uk](http://www.healthforkids.co.uk)



# SEND Inclusion Service

## Cognition & Learning Team

### **NOTTS PARENT EVENT: Understanding Dyslexia and Supporting at Home**

This 2-hour webinar is suitable for the parents and carers of learners who have been identified as having dyslexic traits

We will cover what we understand by the term dyslexia and the implications it has for learning

We will then provide lots of practical tips for supporting these learners at home

**Please note this is the same material covered in November 2025 but held at a later time for parents who cannot attend the morning session**

#### Course Details

**Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**  
**(EVENING)**

#### **Taking Place via Microsoft TEAMS**

(Joining instructions will only be sent out separately to those booked on correctly)

The course presenters will be **Bridget Thornhill, Ruth Screeton** and **Sandhya Sharma** from the Cognition & Learning Team, SEND Inclusion Service(SIS)

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**This is a FREE event and there will be no charge for attending**

**TO BOOK via EVENTBRITE Ctrl + Click Link below:**

<https://notts-parent-event-understanding-dyslexia-supporting-at-home.eventbrite.co.uk>

An invitation to join will be sent to your e-mail inbox a few days before the event, so please check your 'inbox', as well as 'deleted' or 'junk mail' folders to find the Link

**Closing date: Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 12:00 noon**  
(half-term 16-20-Feb-26)

Enquiries – Judith A Knight : [sis.sjr@nottsc.gov.uk](mailto:sis.sjr@nottsc.gov.uk) or Tel: 0115 854 6464



# SEND Inclusion Service

## Cognition & Learning Team

### NOTTS PARENT EVENT: i-Pad Apps for Learners with SEN

#### General Outline

So, you have an i-Pad but aren't sure what apps you could use, the app store has more content than you could ever cope with and you haven't got the time or understanding of what to look for. During this session we will look at some of the free and low-cost apps you could use to support your child, as well as using some of the features built-in to the iPad to help make them more accessible whilst retaining control

- Free apps
- Low-cost apps
- Accessibility
- Peripheral devices
- Strategies for managing the i-Pad

Having an iPad with you will be useful if you want to download the apps during the session: you will need credit on your device if you want to install them. Details of the apps demonstrated and discussed will be shared after the event

#### Course Details

**Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**VENUE: ST GEORGE'S CENTRE, What 3 Words ///skills.noted.casino**  
91 Victoria Road, Netherfield, Nottingham NG4 2NN

The course presenters will be **Neil Oldbury**, and **Sam Bingham** or **Jane Hare** from the Cognition & Learning Team, SEND Inclusion Service (SIS)NO

**PLEASE NOTE: This is a FREE event and there is no charge in attending**

**TO BOOK Ctrl + Click Link here:**

<https://notts-parent-event-i-pad-apps-for-learners-with-sen.eventbrite.co.uk>

**Closing date: Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 12:00 noon**

Enquiries – Judith A Knight : [sis.sjrw@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:sis.sjrw@nottscc.gov.uk) or Tel: **0115 854 6464**

# Leas Park Awards

## Eco Class



Winner of the Week:

4C

## Golden Tickets

Class	Amount collected this week:	Running total so far this half term:
3B	4	12
3P	1	6
4C	0	8
4G	2	4
5H	1	11
5J	2	6
6A	0	0
6C	0	0
6P	0	1



Winner of the Week:

3B

Overall winner this half term:

3B



## Leas Park Shining Stars

Class	Name
3B	Olivia J
3P	Billy M
4C	Isabella D
4G	Ronnie A
5H	Charlie M
5J	Kyla M
6A	Fletcher S
6C	Sophie S
6P	Cohen W



## Zones of Regulation Champion

Class	Name
3B	Tamim A
3P	Oliver P
4C	Tafadzwa M
4G	Lottie-Mae M
5H	Benjamin B
5J	Alice R
6A	Dorcas O
6C	Tyler M
6P	Coen D



## Pen Licences

Class	Name
5H	Amber S



### Rapid Wristbands



Class	Name
3B	Rory M
	Lincoln R
3P	Oliver L
	Amelia H
4C	Ayda C
	Arla D
4G	Erynn W
	Harley J
5H	Ethan S
	Bede N
5J	Harry B
	Athena D
6C	Aiden G
	Mason F
6A	Fearne C
	Leo C
6P	Ruby-Leigh H
	Logan S

### Times Tables Rockstars



#### 4C

Total:	303
<b>Top three highest scorers:</b>	
1st:	Arla D
2nd:	Luna M
3rd:	Louie B

#### 4G

Total:	207
<b>Top three highest scorers:</b>	
1st:	Erynn W
2nd:	Frances L
3rd:	Joshua L

#### Winner of the Week

4C

**Well  
done  
everyone!**

### Dinner Winners



Class	Name
3B	Faith K
3P	Freddie M
4C	Lily C
4G	Finley B
5H	Chloe W
5J	Freya H
6A	Fearne C
6P	Pyper T

### Book Vending Machine



#### Lower School Winner

Class	Name
4C	Ayda C

#### Upper School Winner

Class	Name
6P	Coen D



### Reading Certificates

Class	Name	No. of reads	Award given
6C	Freddy M	100	Gold
6P	Stephen G	25	Bronze
6P	Stephen G	50	Silver
6P	Lydia H	50	Silver
6P	Ruby- Leigh H	75	Diamond
5H	Nathan D	50	Silver
5H	Darcy G	150	Platinum
5H	Charlie M	50	Silver
5H	Adela R	150	Platinum
5H	Amber S	75	Diamond
5H	Abigail W	150	Platinum
5H	Lyra W	150	Platinum
5J	Nyla B	100	Gold
4C	Esme W	75	Diamond
4C	Grayson E	150	Platinum
4C	Isabella D	150	Platinum
4G	Eden B	75	Diamond
4G	Lorenzo D	75	Diamond
4G	Ellysia S	25	Bronze
3B	Pixie G	75	Diamond
3P	Marley C	25	Bronze
3P	Harry D	50	Silver
3P	Effia W	75	Diamond
3P	George C	75	Diamond
3P	Elodie G	100	Gold
3P	Jade J	100	Gold
3P	Daisy G	150	Platinum



### Shout Outs

Class	Name	Reason & From
5J	Lucy B	For using her lunch time to work on her times tables. I was so proud of you Lucy.
4C	Arla D	For going green on TTRS by mastering all her times tables!

Shout out!

## Dojo

Class	Name	Amount awarded
4G	Eden B	50
4G	Erin L	50
4G	Finley B	50
4G	Jasper S	50
4G	Norah K	50
4G	Theo S	50
4G	Yana P	50
4G	Vyga P	50
4G	Kristens V	75
6P	Coen D	50
6P	Pagan B	25
6P	Penny P	25
3P	George C	25
3P	Daisy G	50
3P	Henry T	50
3B	Elijah T	75
3B	Owen S	50
3B	Connor B	50
3B	Pixie G	50
3B	Faith K	50
3B	Lincoln R	50
3B	Barney R	50
5H	Esmee R	50
5H	Nathan D	50
6C	Jayce H	25
6C	Tyler M	50
6C	Abigail M	75
5H	Ella C	75
4C	Aria C	50
4C	Phoebe-Grace S	50
4C	Luna M	100
5j	Beau B	25
5J	Tasmin M	25
5J	Fearne M	25
5J	Ben S	25
5J	Scarlett S	25
5J	Faith R	25
5J	Freddie R	25
5J	Kyla M	25
5J	Esme L	25



## Attendance Award

The Attendance Award for **w/c 02/02/2026** goes to **Class 6C** with 100%

Our current Attendance Policy can be found on our school website.

The whole school attendance this academic year to date is 94.89% - the national target is **96%**!

**Please help support us in raising our attendance.**

# Dates for your Diary

Please see below our main 'diary dates' so far for the academic year. We hope this will help with your diary planning.

**\*\*Please note these dates are subject to change and if this should be the case we will give as much notice as possible\*\***

## **Inset Days (school closed to children):**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2026

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February** – Safer Internet Day

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** – Year 4 How to Train Your Dragon Workshop

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February** – Photographers in school – group photographs

**W/C 2<sup>nd</sup> March** - Assessment Week

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** – Year 6 trip to Mansfield Museum

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** – Year 3 Swimming starts (to 21<sup>st</sup> July – 9 weeks per class)

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – World Book Day – theme to be announced

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March** – Heights and Weights

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – Y3 Mother's Day Breakfast

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March** – Y4 Mother's Day Breakfast

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March** – Y5 Mother's Day Breakfast

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March** – Heights and Weights mop up

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Y6 Mother's Day Breakfast

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March** – Y4 - Class 4G - Peak Mining Museum trip

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March** – Y4 - Class 4C - Peak Mining Museum trip

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** – Comic Relief Red Nose Day

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** – Year 3 trip to Creswell Crags

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March** - Zones of Regulation refresher, Parent workshop 3:30-4:15pm

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March** – Parent's Evening

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – Parent's Evening

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March** – INSET day – school closed to children

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** – Year 6 Parents SATs Meeting

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April** – Year 3 Roman Workshop

**W/C 20<sup>th</sup> April** - Year 6 Mock SATS week

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 visit to Perlethorpe

**W/C 11<sup>th</sup> May**– Year 6 SATS week

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 photographs **\*this has been changed from 5<sup>th</sup> June\***

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Year 5 Residential trip (one night per class)

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** – INSET day – school closed to children

**W/C 1<sup>st</sup> June** – Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check week

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 6 photographs

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 assessment week

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 6 Great Project starts

## Dates for your Diary continued ...

- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Wed 17<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 6 Residential trip
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 6 Father's Day Breakfast
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 4 visit to Magna
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 5 Father's Day Breakfast
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** – Year 4 Father's Day Breakfast
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** – Year 3 Father's Day Breakfast
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June** – Lower School Evening of Fun
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Sports Day – Year 3 & 4 - 9.30am – 11.00am
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Sports Day – Year 5 & 6 - 1.30pm – 3.00pm
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 6 transition dates to Manor
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 2 Meet the Teacher
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 2 Meet the Teacher
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July** – Summer Fayre **\*Changed from 8<sup>th</sup> July\***
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Reports home
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Year 6 Presentation Evening
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – Picnic day
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** – Talent Show
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July** – Toy day
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July** – INSET day – school closed to children