

NEWSLETTER

Week commencing 16th March 2026

Welcome to our Newsletter,

This week will be the last week for our spring term clubs. You will receive notification of the summer clubs after the Easter holidays. Tuesday's football club with Mr Wood continues as this is run separately to the school clubs.

Key information to look out for below:

- Parent's Evening bookings now on Arbor
- **Comic Relief Red Nose Day – this Friday, 20th March 2026**
- Easter competitions

On Tuesday, the first of our chicks hatched which was very egg-citing! Some children and staff came to greet the chick who was very wobbly on it's feet! We will keep you posted as the rest begin to hatch.



Easter

Our 'Decorate an Easter Egg' Competition will be taking place next Thursday, 26th March 2026. This competition is open to all of our pupils. You can decorate an individual egg or an entire eggggg-cellent scene! We just ask that it is completed by the entrant.

The school hall will be open from 8.30am, before registration, for you to bring in your wonderful creations. Please add to the table for your year group.

How EGGGGG-CITING! There will be prizes for the winner of each class and one prize for the best overall, school egg-decorating champion.... soooo get CRACKING!

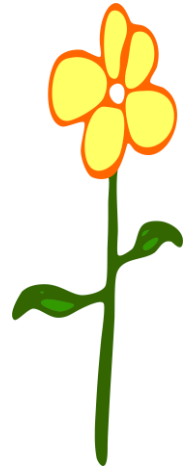
We are also holding an Easter raffle and have 3 hampers up for grabs. Tickets cost £1.00 and can be purchased on ParentPay. You have until **the end of the day on Wednesday 25th March** to buy them. Tickets will be virtual tickets and you will receive a text from school with your ticket number on.



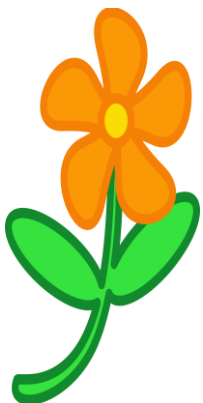
Mother's Day Breakfast for Year 3 and 4

On Thursday and Friday we welcomed the wonderful women in our children's lives into school for breakfast. Our lovely guests got to have a breakfast roll with their children, have a chat with each other and have a walk around the classroom to see some of the work on display.

Years 5 and 6 will get their breakfast this week so watch this space for their pictures.



Happy Mother's Day



School councillors Cake sale

CAKE SALE

**Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th
March during parents evening.**

School councillors are raising money for new outdoor equipment.

**We welcome all shop bought or homemade donations. Please give to Mrs Ainley
no later than 1pm on Wednesday 25th March.**

Please make sure they are nut free and have a list detailing all ingredients.

Parent's Evening now on Arbor

Parents evening bookings will be live on Arbor from 6pm today (Monday 16th March) and appointments can be booked up until 6pm on Monday 23rd March. This will be under "Guardian Consultation" section of the app.

Thank you for everyone's efforts in signing up to Arbor, if you are yet to do so, please can this be done as soon as possible to allow you to book your parents evening slot.

Red Nose Day

Comic Relief's Red Nose Day is this Friday, 20th March 2026. Your child can come dressed in their own clothes, dressed in a little red, or go full out - head to toe in red! We simply ask for a donation of £1.00, payable on ParentPay, for your child to wear non-uniform and to donate to a very worthy cause.



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 your current contact information and that it is 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 **8:45am**. 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/6JJqkm1EqM> or paper copies are available from the leaflet stand in reception or in the office.

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 9:00am 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:

<https://forms.office.com/e/71fb0fDVRf>

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 into 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.

Leas Park Awards

Reach

for the

Stars

Attendance Award

The Attendance Award for w/c **09/03/2026** goes to Class **6C** with **99.09%**

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

The whole school attendance percentage this academic year to date is **95.36%** - the national target is **96%**

Please help support us in raising our attendance.

Thank you!

Eco Class



Winner of the Week:

6C



Golden Tickets

Class	Amount collected this week:	Running total so far this half term:
3B	1	6
3P	0	1
4C	0	2
4G	1	6
5H	0	4
5J	2	7
6A	0	3
6C	0	2
6P	0	3

Winner of the Week:

5J

Overall winner this half term so far:

5J

Leas Park Shining Stars

Class	Name
3B	Jaxon N
3P	Billy M
4C	Frank D
4G	Finley B
5H	Amber S
5J	Riley James B
6A	Olivers V
6C	Samuel P
6P	Logan S

Zones of Regulation Champion

Class	Name
3B	Edward C
3P	Harry D
4C	Isabella D
4G	Heath R
5H	Peyton F
5J	Sadie H
6A	Ronnie W
6C	Jacob L
6P	Cohen W

Pen Licences

Class	Name
5J	Sadie H

Maths Stars



Class	Name
3B	Dexter C
	Leonard W
3P	James W
	Dollie M
4C	Willow C
	Seth R
4G	Eden B
	Bella G
5H	Myla B
	Ethan S
5J	Matilda S
	Ollie S
6A	Ava D
	Frankie G
6C	Ella M
	Tyler M
6P	Charlie O
	Stephen G

Book Vending Machine



Lower School Winner

Class	Name
4G	Reuben M

Upper School Winner

Class	Name
6P	Sibdharth B



Times Tables Rockstars

4C

Total: 302

Top three highest scorers:

1st:	Luna M
2nd:	Arla D
3rd:	Phobe R

4G

Total: 258

Top three highest scorers:

1st:	Eden B
2nd:	Frances L
3rd:	Harley J

Winner of the Week

4C

Reading Certificates

Class	Name	No. of re	Award given
6C	Indie G	75	Diamond
6C	Ella Mc	100	Gold
5H	Nathan D	75	Diamond
5H	Peyton F	75	Diamond
5H	Alexander P	75	Diamond
5J	Abel R	25	Bronze
5J	Bella W	50	Silver
5J	Missey B	100	Gold
4G	Eden B	100	Gold
4G	Theo S	100	Gold
4G	Max H	150	Platinum
4C	Aubree W	25	Bronze
3P	Henry T	50	Silver
3P	Marley C	50	Silver
3P	Matilda W	75	Diamond
3P	Emilio H	75	Diamond
3P	Ezra J	100	Gold
3P	George C	100	Gold
3B	Heidi H	25	Bronze
3B	Athena S	75	Diamond



Dinner Winners

Class	Name
3B	Isobel L
3P	Freddie M
4C	Gracie H
4G	Kristens V
5H	Chloe W
5J	Ollie S
6A	Mason M
6C	Bree M
6P	Millie S



Dojo!

Class	Name	Amount awarded
3P	Marley C	75
3P	Harry D	75
3P	Matilda W	75
3P	Jade J	75
3P	Ezra J	50
3P	Elodie G	50
3P	Oliver L	50
4G	Isabelle R	50
4G	Bobby S	50
4G	Ronnie A	75
4G	Scarlett B	75
4C	Oscar H	50
4C	Aria C	75
3B	Leo D	50
3B	Jeremyl B	50
3B	Jaxon N	50
3B	Charlie D	75
3B	Edward C	75
3B	Summer T	75
3B	Rio T	75
6C	Samuel P	50
6C	Sam O	50



Shout Outs

Class	Name	Reason & From
	Football Team	For their amazing game against High Oakham Primary School - they played a great game against a very strong team. They held their own and won an amazing 3-1!!
4G	Max H and Harley J	For Going Green on Times Table Rockstars!
4C	Grayson E	For Going Green on Times Table Rockstars!

Shout out



Times Tables Challenge Week Winners

Class
3B

Connor B
Emily B
Alfie-Lee B
Edward C
Leo D
Charlie D
Charlie F
Aurora H
Amelia M
Athena Sa
Summer T
Elijah T

Class
3P

Luna B
Rosa C
Beau G
Elodie G
Jade J
Billy M
Freddie M
Taylor R
Henry T
Matilda W
James W
Effia W

Class
4C

Louie B
Isabella D
Grayson E
Winnie G
Freddie H
Luna M
Seth R
Phoebe R
Reeva S
Elias W
Oliver W
Amelia M

Class
4G

Finley B
Scarlett B
Carter B
Max H
Safyia D
Lorenzo D
Harley J
Norah K
Reuben M
Theo S
Erynn W
Vyga P

Class
5H

Benjamin B
Rory B
Jayden D
Peyton F
Darcy G
Emilie Gr
Spencer K
Charlotte D
Priya W
Alfie T
Cameron S
Winter L

Class
5J

Annie B
Beau B
Athena D
Sadie H
Pattie J
Tasmin M
Esme L
Neave W
Bella W
Alice R
Faith R
Miley T

Class
6A

Ariela B
Ellie-Mae B
Evie C
Fearne C
Mason M
Joey W
Feltcher S
Joshua S
William R
Lyla E
Ava D
Jaxon J

Class
6C

Pippa B
Mason F
Aiden G
Freddy M
Abigail M
Samuel P
Billy T
Sophie S
Jacob S
Jacob L
Freya B
Tyler M

Class
6P

Devon T
Charlie O
Pyper T
Jenson M
Brody C
Ruby-Leigh H
Lydia H
Penny P
Logan S
Coen D
Millie S
Ben G

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 27th March 2026

Monday 1st June 2026

Monday 27th July 2026

Tuesday 17th March – Y6 Mother's Day Breakfast

Wednesday 18th March – Y5 visit to St Edmund's Church 'Easter Experience' (5J am, 5H pm)

Wednesday 18th March – Y4 - Class 4G - Peak Mining Museum trip

Thursday 19th March – Y4 - Class 4C - Peak Mining Museum trip

Friday 20th March – Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Monday 23rd March – Year 3 trip to Creswell Crags

Tuesday 24th March - Zones of Regulation refresher, Parent workshop 3:30-4:15pm

Wednesday 25th March – Parent's Evening

Thursday 26th March – Parent's Evening

Friday 27th March – INSET day – school closed to children

Monday 13th April – Year 6 Parents SATs Meeting

Thursday 16th April – Year 3 Roman Workshop

W/C 20th April - Year 6 Mock SATS week

Tuesday 5th May – Year 6 visit to Perlethorpe

W/C 11th May– Year 6 SATS week

Tuesday 19th May – Year 6 photographs ***this has been changed from 5th June***

Wednesday 20th – Friday 22nd May – Year 5 Residential trip (one night per class)

Monday 1st June – INSET day – school closed to children

W/C 1st June – Year 4 Multiplication Times Tables Check week

Friday 5th June – Year 6 photographs

Monday 8th June – Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 assessment week

Friday 12th June – Year 6 Great Project starts

Dates for your Diary continued ...

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

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- If you can't attend the Fair in person, your child can order books via a Wish List – please ask your school for details.

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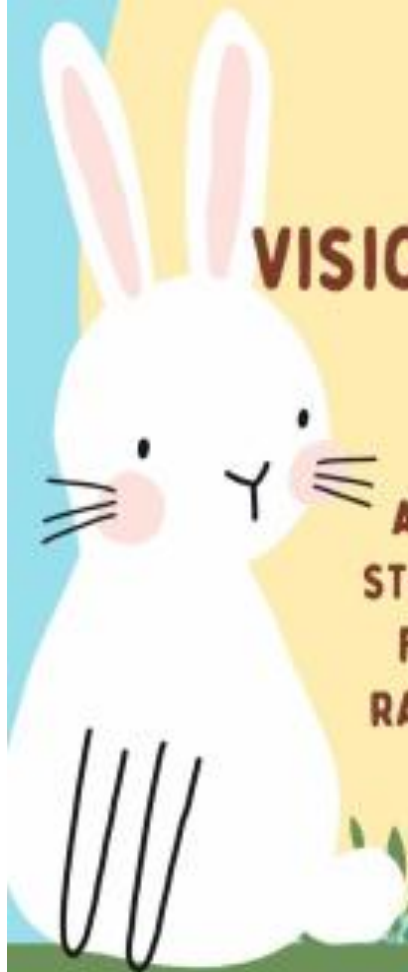
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STUDENTS ACROSS OUR COLLEGE CAMPUS
FOR 5-11 YEAR OLDS TO EXPERIENCE A
RANGE OF CRAFTS, DRAMA, SPORTS, AND
MUCH MORE...**





**Booking via the link or QR code using your
HAF CODE- Or contact
Reanna.davies@wnc.ac.uk for more info**



Easter at Mansfield Museum



Easter Crafts

 Tuesday, 31 March – Thursday 2 April
 10 AM – 1 PM

Tuesday - Bunny Cups
Wednesday - Easter Crowns
Thursday - Easter Egg Rock Painting
Friday - Good Friday, Museum is closed
Free sessions – no need to book, just drop in!



Little Artists

 Tuesday 7 April – Friday 10 April
 10 AM – 1 PM

Tuesday - Dot Painting

Dot painting is a fun and creative activity where children use colourful dots to create beautiful patterns and artwork inspired by Aboriginal art.



Wednesday - Canvas Minis with Scott Corden (10am-12pm)

Create your own mini canvas masterpiece inspired by Scott Corden's bold and colourful art style!



Thursday - Mandala Masks

Mandala masks let children create and decorate colourful patterns to make their own unique wearable art.


Friday - Paper Sculptures

Paper sculpture lets children fold, cut, and shape paper into amazing 3D creations using their imagination and creativity.



Mansfield
Museum

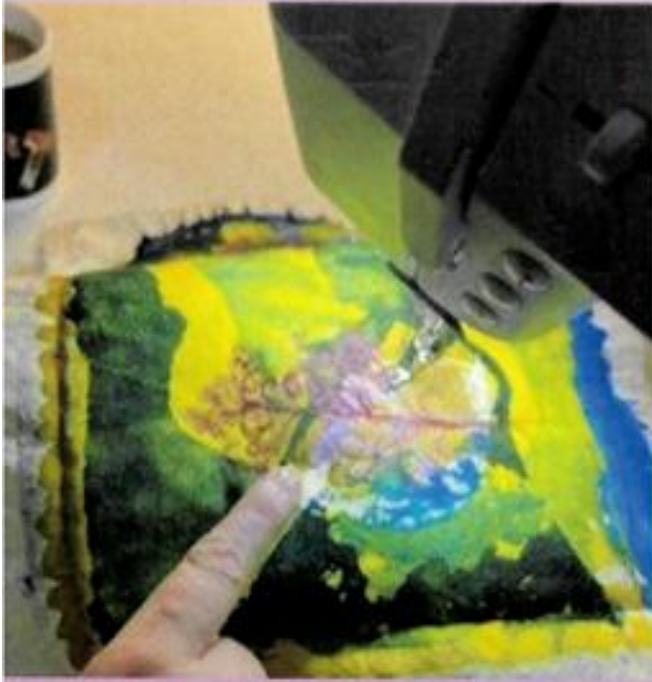
Free entry
Everyone welcome

 Mansfield District Council
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mansfieldmuseum@mansfield.gov.uk

EXHIBITIONS

Mansfield
Museum



Green Power - Red Flags
6 March - 2 May

Open Art
5 April - 27 June

Events



Wading and Wandering

Thursday 2 April
11am & 2pm
Tickets: £2.50 per child
Adult goes free



Beanbag Music Club

Monday 13 April
11am & 1pm
Tickets: £10:00 per child
One accompanying adult goes free



Different Together Fest

Sunday 19 April
12pm to 4pm
Tickets: £3.00
Family Tickets £9.00



What's on at The Palace Theatre

Mansfield
Palace
Theatre



Mother Goose
30 March, 2pm & 7pm
Tickets: Adult £28, Child £18



Dinosaur Adventure Live
7 April, 1pm & 3.30pm
Tickets: £18



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Nottinghamshire Holiday **Activities** **and Food**

**A guide for schools,
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Nottinghamshire Holiday Activities and Food



What is the Holiday Activities and Food programme?

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme is funded by the Department for Education. The programme aims to support the wellbeing of children aged between 5 and 16 years, focusing on physical and mental wellbeing by providing a variety of activities during school holidays.

Local activity providers run face-to-face sessions that are fully funded for children and young people receiving benefits-related free school meals. Included in each session is a meal.

The aims of the programme are:

- to support children to eat healthily
- to support children to active during school holidays
- to support children in their understanding of health and nutrition
- to support families to be engaged with local support services.

Who is eligible?

The HAF programme is open to children and young people aged between 5 and 16 years (age 4 if in reception class full-time) and receiving benefits-related free school meals. This is different from the universal infant free school meals that children receive in reception, year 1 and year 2.

If you think you are eligible for free school meals but you have not applied, you can **apply for free school meals online:**

www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

We can fund a small number of those who are not eligible for benefits-related free school meals. These places should be discussed on a one-to-one basis with a member of the HAF team. To be eligible for a discretionary place, families will need a professional referral from a support worker, social care or school team.

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Activities and venues

There are plenty of fantastic activities happening across the county as part of the Holiday Activities and Food programme. Programmes run in the spring (Easter), summer, autumn (October) and winter school holidays.

Children and young people can access the following:

- **4 days of face-to-face activity in spring (Easter)**
- **12 days of face-to-face activity in summer**
- **4 days of face-to-face activity in autumn (October half term)**
- **4 days of face-to-face activity in winter**

SEND activities

It is extremely important that providers understand if the child you are booking activities for has any additional needs. Providers aim to offer a quality programme, inclusive for all. It is therefore essential that they are aware of special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and any reasonable adjustments can be considered.

If a child attends a holiday club without full disclosure of support needs, the holiday club may not be able to offer the full support required, and this could result in the place being withdrawn.



Nottinghamshire Holiday Activities and Food



All holiday clubs can be booked through Eequ – our chosen booking system. The below steps show how to book a place.

Visit the HAF Notts website:
www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/HAF

1

Click on the
Find an activity
button:



2

This will then go to our
new bookings page
which looks like this:



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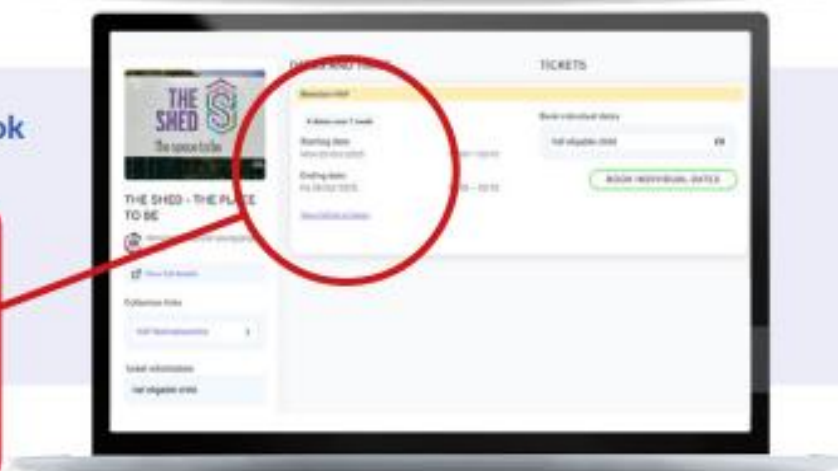
3

There will be a list of holiday clubs to choose from either by scrolling, postcode search, map search, activity specific, SEND specific etc. Parents/carers find a holiday club or clubs and click the green **BOOK** button, or register your interest if bookings are not yet open.



4

Choose the dates you want to book



5

Add the details for each child – such as name and date of birth

6

You will then receive a confirmation email for your places booked.



You can also [watch a useful video by Eegu](#), which is also linked on our 'find an activity' page.

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Frequently asked questions:

What's the difference between universal and benefits-related free school meals?

Universal infant free school meals (UIFSM) provides funding for all government funded schools to offer free school meals to pupils in reception, year 1, and year 2. If families are in receipt of benefits, they should still apply for 'benefits-related' free school meals for their children, if they believe they are eligible.

Free school meals are currently available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- **Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)**
- **Income Support**
- **Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance**
- **Income-related Employment and Support Allowance**
- **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999**
- **The guaranteed element of Pension Credit**

Is pupil premium the same as free school meals?

Pupil premium and free school meals are not the same, but they are related. Pupil premium is extra funding for every child who's eligible for free school meals throughout their time at school. The funding goes directly to the school and pays for things like school trips, breakfast clubs, or additional teachers and assistants to provide extra support and one-to-one tutoring.

Once a child is in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, their school will receive additional funding (pupil premium) to help and support them through their education.



Nottinghamshire Holiday Activities and Food



What if my child has specific needs?

If your child requires assistance for the activity, please contact the provider to discuss further – you may be welcome to attend with your child or the activity provider may offer extra support for your child. We also have specific Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) provision, please discuss with the provider of the activity on booking.

Is food provided?

Yes. As part of every Nottinghamshire Holiday Activities and Food programme, refreshments and a meal will be provided free to each child and young person attending.

Please mention any dietary requirements your child has when booking. We will endeavour to meet all dietary needs.

Is transport provided?

Unfortunately, we cannot offer transport to each person wanting to take part in an activity. Where residents live in a rural locality, we will aim to support travel, but this will be considered on a one-to-one basis and by application. Please contact us via haf@nottsc.gov.uk.

How do I know my child is safe?

All our providers are DBS checked and Ofsted registered where required (under 8 provision). There are several checks that providers must pass to be a deliverer of the programme, to ensure your child is in the safest of hands.

At the time of booking you must also supply a password for collection of your child. We also ask for an emergency contact number where an appropriate adult can be reached. Please ensure that this number is current and active whilst your child is at their chosen activity.



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