



Dear parents/carers,

What a lovely, warm start back to our Spring term it was this week. The children look well rested and excited to be back to school with their friends. We have a busy term planned ahead with lots of physical activities for your children to enjoy outdoors. Please read all of the information below.

Staffing news:

In March, we welcome back Mrs Tuck from her maternity leave. Mrs Tuck will work Monday-Wednesday in Y4/3 with Mrs Salmeron working in Y4/3 on Thursday and Fridays.

Parent workshops:

This term, parents have attended school workshops about online safety, impact of screens on eyesight, dental care, importance of sleep and English classes. Thank you to Mrs McConnochie for organised this support for our community.

Parents/carers mobile phones:

Unless urgent, please may we ask that you do not use your mobile phone when collecting your child or during stay and play sessions. Children are so excited to see you during these periods and a mobile phone is a distraction. Many thanks for your understanding with this matter.

Keeping healthy and active at Welbeck

Our before school kilometre club has continued to be well attended by children and adults. Mr Buckthorp is outside from Tuesday-Friday to offer this opportunity to get fit. We have seen the impact on focus and attention in lessons. Try and come this term if you can!

Nut Free school:

Please remember that we are a NUT-FREE school so do not send children with any nuts in packed lunches or for treats. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Attendance:

This has been fantastic this term! Children are coming to school happy and healthy and if slightly under the weather are showing great resilience to get on. Thank you for your support-this makes such a difference to their progress.

Parking:

Please do not park in the school car park on Castlefields when dropping/collecting your child. Staff have to pay a daily charge to park as part of the city council's workplace parking levy. Many thanks.

Online safety:

This continues to cause concern for Primary age children. Research shows that **50% of children aged 7-11 have witnessed sexual or violent content whilst watching You Tube or Tiktok.** This is hugely worrying and will have a negative impact on children in the future. Online safety should be top priority in all households. Please ensure all 13+ APPs are deleted from devices. Children using these APPs is a safeguarding risk. Please take time to look at devices and check they are safe for your child to use. All screens should be removed from bedrooms at night. Please see <u>https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk</u> for more information on how to protect your child.

Don't forget to book your open evening slot on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th March 2025. Class

teachers need to see every parent/carer to tell you how brilliantly your child is doing! Please make the time to attend. On this day-there will be a community event in school hall-please pop in to see what support we can offer. Details below:

- IT support with Carl to help with Arbor
- Health and well-being support with Mr Buckthorp
- Family support with Mrs McConnochie
- Notts County programmes on offer
- Holiday Activity Fund information

FREE Easter Holiday club

Welbeck pupils that are entitled to Free School Meals can gain early free access to the Nottingham Forest Holiday club at Victoria school where they can take part in football, basketball, tennis, hockey, hula hooping and boxing AND get a free breakfast, lunch and tea. Book early to avoid disappointment. Mrs McConnochie will send out the link via email nearer the time.

<u>Please note the following INSET days:</u> Friday 27th June and Friday 25th July 2025

Warm regards,

Ms Rebecca Gittins Headteacher

Key dates to note for the term

Date	Time	Class	Event
Wednesday 26th February	AM PM	Y4/3 Y3	Swimming starts. No jewellery please.
Thursday 27 th February	AM	Y4	Swimming starts. No jewellery please.
Monday 3 rd March	9am	Y6	Secondary school offer announced via email
Thursday 6th March	All day	All	World Book Day-children dress as their favourite book character.
Friday 7 th March	9.30am	Y5 and Y6	Lilian Greenwood MP Q and A session
Monday 17th –21st March	Science week-all classes		
Tuesday 18 th and Wednesday 19 th March	3.15pm	Rec-Y6	Open evening-please book appointments online
Wednesday 26th March	pm	Y4	Great Orchestra experience at Albert Hall
Thursday 27 th March	9am	KS1	Mother's Day craft morning 1 representative invited (Father's day planned for in June)
Thursday 27th March	2.30pm	Y3-Y5	Spring concert for parents/carers in hall
Tuesday 1st April	9am	All	Easter Run starting with reception. Parents/carers invited
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term. School re-opens on Tuesday 22 nd April 2025.		

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