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NOTTINGHAM HIGH INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**After School Club
Contact Numbers**

**Infant School : 07500 887 982
Junior School : 07810 502 693**

The Merle

Keep up to date with The Merle (Senior School Newsletter) [here](#)

Please see attached for :

- Infant School menu w/c 29.01.24
- Junior School menus are [here](#)
- Next Thing Education Camps flyer

Abbreviations used throughout:

EYFS = Reception classes IS = Infant School JS = Junior School IJS = Infant & Junior School

PASTORAL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

Who can believe three weeks of the Spring Term have gone by already? As the evenings begin to draw out and the mornings become a little brighter, there is so much to look forward to. From the Junior Spring Concert to our Year 2s travelling back through time to experience life as Victorians. From outdoor education sessions to the House Cross Country at Wollaton Hall. From Book Week to EYFS taking a trip to White Post Farm. There really is something for everyone!

Hopefully, the brighter mornings will make it easier for us all to get out of bed in the mornings. January into February always seems the hardest time to resist the call of the snooze button as the wake-up alarm sounds. Clearly the children are not immune to this phenomenon. Since the start of term, we have seen an increase in the number of pupils arriving late into school. As a reminder, children in all IJS year groups can be dropped off any time from 8am onwards with the day formally starting at 8.30am when the registers are taken. Any pupils arriving after 8.40am have to be designated late in our registers.

Whilst we are keen to minimise the number of late marks recorded, our main priority is avoiding lost learning time. Days at the IJS are packed full with learning opportunities at all age levels and we get straight into these as soon as the registers are taken. Any pupils arriving after 8.30am not only compromise themselves, but often the learning and focus of their classmates too. For many pupils the emotional impact of being late can also unsettle them for the day ahead.

I urge all pupils to make sure they are in school ready for the start of the day at 8.30am every day. I know mornings can be a very stressful time trying to get a child (or children) up and out of bed, dressed in the correct uniform, fed, teeth brushed and out the door with everything required for the day. This is made all the worse if the child is not willing to play their part with expediting the process. If this is the case for your family and you would like the Form Tutor/Class Teacher to speak to your daughter/son about being empowered and making a positive difference to your morning routine, please do not hesitate to contact them. Often a word from a teacher has much more impact in these areas than that of a parent; I know this to my own detriment!

Wishing you all a pleasant week,

Mr Cordy



JANUARY/FEBRUARY SNAPSHOT

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y2 Outdoor Education (2B & 2M) U11 City Zone Football 	30	31	01 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EYFS & Y3 - Y6 Open Classrooms from 8.15am Y1 & Y2 Open Classrooms from 8.15am & U11 IAPS Netball away @ Uppingham NO Y4 or Y5 Disney Club JS Spring Concert 5pm - 6pm in Recital Hall 	02 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> U9 & U11 Outreach Cross Country @ Wollaton Park
05 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y2 Outdoor Education (2W) 	06 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> R - Y5 Parent Meetings In School from 4.15/4.30pm 	07 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y2 Science Workshop Woodwind & Brass Teatime Concert @ 4.45pm 	08 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council House Event for Y4 STEAM Club 12.30 – 2pm NO Y4 or Y5 Disney Club R - Y5 Parent Meetings Online from 4.15/4.30pm 	09 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JS House Cross Country @ Wollaton Park
12	13	24 <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>HALF TERM</p> </div>	25	26
<p>Support staff will be in school during half term on: 0115 845 2235</p>				
19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y1 Great Fire of London Workshop Y5 Outdoor Education Day (1 class) U10 & U11 Football & Netball @Highfields School 	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IS Cricket Festival @ Harvey Hadden 1 – 3.30pm Strings Masterclass 	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Voices Concert 	22	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y2 Victorian visit to Beaumanor Hall
26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y5 Outdoor Education Day (1 class) U9 Hockey Festival 	27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> U10 & U11 Swim Gala v. Ratcliffe College Outdoor Education Day (1 class) U9 Hockey Festival 	28	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y3 & Y4 Sports Hall Athletics 	

WEEK AHEAD - W/C 22ND JANUARY

MONDAY

- 2B & 2M Outdoor Education
- 2M Explorer's Club (3.45 - 4.30pm)
- Y2 Speech & Drama (3.45 - 4.30pm)
- U11 Football @ Forest Sports Zone, Gregory Boulevard @ 4pm

TUESDAY

- Y1 & Y2 Choir (3.45 - 4.15pm)
- Swim Club. Please bring a packed lunch for afterwards.

WEDNESDAY

- RB Drawing Club, RJ Dance Club, RA Design & Construct Club, 1P & 1S Board Games Club, 2B Mosaics Art Club (3.45 - 4.30pm)
- 2M Dance Club (3.45 - 4.25pm)

THURSDAY

- 1P Little Wickets Cricket (3.45 - 4.25pm)
- **EYFS & Y3 - Y6** Open Classrooms from 8.15pm - 9.15pm
- **Y1 & Y2** Open Classrooms from 8.15pm - 9.15pm & 3 - 3.45pm
- **NO Y4 or Y5 Disney Club**
- U11 IAPS Netball away @ Uppingham School
- JS Spring Concert from 5pm in the Music Recital Hall

FRIDAY

- U9 & U11 Outreach Cross Country @ Wollaton Park

Girls After School Rugby Club

There is the opportunity for Y4 Girls to join the above Extra Curricular Club which runs on a Tuesday from 4pm - 5pm in the JS Hall.

If your daughter is interested, please use this link to sign up:
<https://forms.office.com/e/ApbxSOPGeV>



EYFS & Y3 - Y6 Open Classrooms
Thursday 1st February 8.15am - 9.15am
No bookings required

**** Y1 and Y2 Open Classrooms ****
Thursday 1st February 8.15am - 9.15am and 3.00pm - 3.45pm

To allow sufficient space for adults to enjoy seeing their child's work and classroom, we have organised for Year 1 and Year 2 Open Classrooms to take place over two sessions, on Thursday 1st February, 8.15am - 9.00am and 3.00pm - 3.45pm.

Please use the booking form to sign up for your preferred time :
<https://forms.office.com/e/NwLEfJyOhn>

Due to fire regulations, a total of two tickets only are available per family.

Limited parking for all sessions is available on the Senior School yard. For the afternoon sessions, please ensure you leave the yard by 3.45pm otherwise, to ensure the safety of pupils leaving site, please delay your exit until 4.15pm.

JS Spring Concert - 1st February 2024

All pupils involved in instrumental ensembles (not choirs) will be taking part in the Spring Concert on Thursday 1st February. The concert is scheduled to start at 5pm and will last approximately an hour.

Participating ensembles are:



- Stringalongs
- Junior Woodwind ensemble
- Junior Brass ensemble
- Harp ensemble
- Swing Band
- Djembe Beatz
- Horn Trio

Further information will follow.

Musical performance opportunity

Mrs Kawalec would like to offer the opportunity to the pupils in Year 1, who are having lessons on a musical instrument, to perform, during an assembly.

Please use this form <https://forms.office.com/e/JbiaaXa0nk> to sign up, Mrs Kawalec will be in touch to let you know if your child will perform.

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

(Available Places Update)

£180.00 - Bookings via Wisepay
Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th April



	Y6	Y5	Y4	Y3	Y2	Y1	EYFS	
Places Available	11	0 - Full	9	7	1	8	4	

**INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL
INFANT SCHOOL STAR OF THE WEEK**

RA

Ryan D. for a brilliant attitude, 'having a go' and trying his best with writing.

RB

Elijah F. for correctly editing his own writing.

RJ

Aaliyah A. for creating the planet Neptune from papier mache and then shared lots of facts about Neptune with her friends.

1P

Joshua B. for working collaboratively in Maths when solving word problems.

1S

Rohan P. for his excellent design ideas during our 'Make a Move' day.

2B

Maya S. for writing an amazing letter of complaint and coming up with some incredible ideas independently.

2M

Monte L. for writing a very serious complaint letter to Mr Bumble about the conditions of the Workhouse.

2W

August C. for his super word choices and description of the Workhouse when writing his letter of complaint to Mr Bumble.

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL

INFANT SCHOOL SQUIRREL OF THE WEEK



Leo A. (1S) for always being considerate of his talk partner and sharing tasks fairly.



Jacob L. (2B) for challenging himself in Maths to answer tricky word problems and to explain and prove his answers!

Easton W. (2M) for demonstrating an excellent understanding of money in our Maths lessons.



Erdem B. (2W) for always working so well in a group and being a great team member, listening to others and making his own super contributions, especially in our 'Make it Move' workshop this week.



Kit M. (1P) for confidently celebrating his differences in PSHE this week.



Iris J. (RA) for working hard on her sounds in phonics and feeling proud of herself.

Darcey D. (RB) for thinking outside of the box when creating a model rocket.

Zayna S. (RJ) for always being a kind and loving friend and a helpful and polite member of the class.

4C

Audrey W. for creating wonderful and descriptive dialogue in her story writing, using the correct speech punctuation and adding additional detail to engage the reader!

4W

Isher L. for returning back to school with a really positive attitude and focus in her lessons

Sophie S. for fantastic setting description work in English.

5A

Rose C. for carrying out extra research into Aristotle, inspired by her Philosophy and Thinking Skills lessons, and creating a fantastic fact sheet of what she had learnt!

5B

Ibrahim J. for showing determination to apply himself fully and succeed in Maths this term.

Cameron S. for being a fabulous historical detective when examining evidence from the Battle of Britain.

5D

Evan S. for super up-levelling of sentences in English, using complex and compound sentences and punctuating accurately.

Lara S-S, Aamir M. and Amrit J. for their extensive and detailed research into future career choices.

6S

Jin Chen L. has worked hard to create challenging extension cards to add to our Kodaly Rhythms cards! They really have stretched and challenged the pupils in lessons!



Adam A. (3G) for carrying out extra research into Socrates, Plato and Aristotle and then teaching his peers and Mr Cordy during Y3 Philosophy and Thinking Skills lessons.

Bhuvi A. (4W) for making such a fantastic start in her new school.

Rose C. (5A) for carrying out extra research into Aristotle, inspired by her Philosophy and Thinking Skills lessons, and creating a fantastic fact sheet of what she had learnt!



Hamish J-R. (5B) for recognising when he didn't feel ok and showing bravery when asking for help.



4C

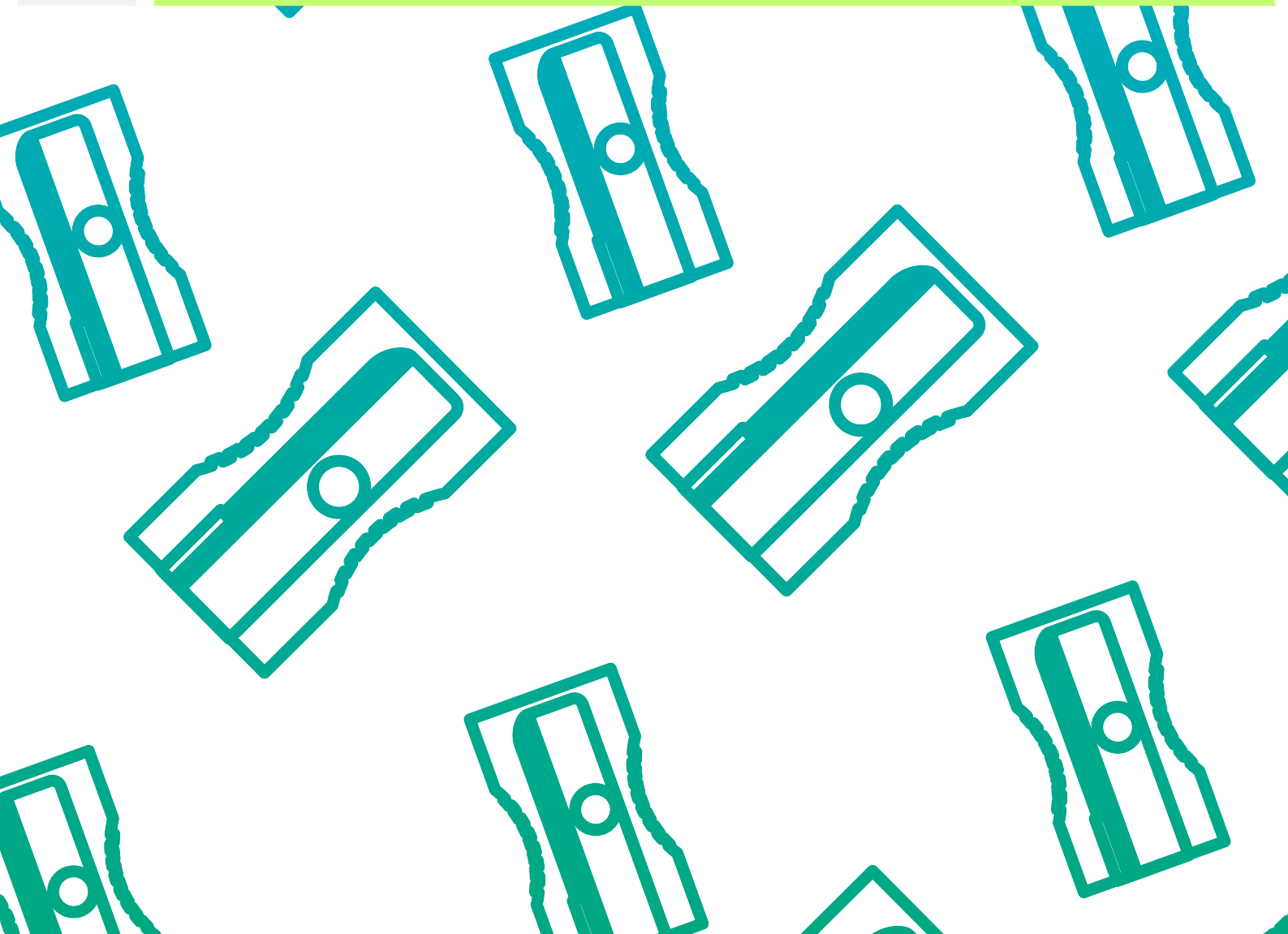
Raul A. for being proactive and an inspiration to others by making his own electrical motor at home.

5D

Musa A. for being proactive and an inspiration to others by making his own electrical motor at home.

6S

Aarav K. for choosing to start writing his own excellent fantasy story and actively seeking out writing competitions to take part in.



INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS TO CELEBRATE



Easton W. (2M) made his debut (demo) at the National Ice Centre, in front of thousands of fans during the intermission of the recent Nottingham Panthers vs. Belfast Giants game. He felt very excited!



Adam A. (3G) won Silver Medal at the Warwick Junior Open Chess Championship (U11).



Miranda B. (5B) took part in The Robin Hood ice skating competition. She was the youngest participant and managed to secure a personal best from the judges.

GENERAL NEWS



Next Thing Education Camps are excited to announce that they will be running a Technology and STEM Camp at Nottingham High School during the February half term on 12-15th February.

The aim is to inspire, engage and empower the next generation of creators, coders and inventors and put together an action-packed activity schedule with something for every child, to not only excite and engage, but to extend their learning in a fun and unique way using the latest and greatest tech.

Activities include:

- 🤖 **ROCKING ROBOTS** - Build, program and debug; bring robots to life!
- 🧱 **LEGO GEARS, MOTORS AND CONTRAPTIONS** - Power up Lego creations with movement, light and sound
- 💡 **INGENIOUS CIRCUITRY** - Create electronic wonders, while exploring the world of circuits and invention with so many imaginative possibilities
- 🎨 **3D PEN CREATIONS** – Embrace your inner artist and experiment with the magic of 3D pens
- 🎥 **MEDIA MADNESS**- Aspiring directors and actors will learn all about the art of film-making and bring your own creations to life on screen!
- 🌟 **VIRTUAL REALITY** - With the magic of VR, you can explore breathtaking virtual worlds, design your own adventures, and unleash your imagination like never before
- 🔨 **MINECRAFT ENGINEERING** - As a Minecraft engineer, you can build incredible structures, create ingenious Redstone contraptions, and bring your wildest dreams to life

All staff are DBS Checked and Qualified to run the best sessions in the safest environment.

For more information check out flyer attached, visit the website below or watch our video to see what to expect at camp : <https://youtu.be/VWqFyudd9oU>

Our camps cater to ages 5-11 at a cost of £49 per day, per child. Spaces are limited, so don't miss out and book online today at :

<https://www.nextthing.education/product/nottingham-highschool-february-camp/>

We look forward to welcoming you at our February camp!

Next thing Education Camps Ltd



GENERAL NEWS

A FUN WORKSHOP AND CONCERT OPEN TO CHILDREN
AGED 5 - 14

Vocals

Singing workshop: Saturday 9 March
Nottingham Trent University, Clifton NG11 8NS
Concert: Sunday 10 March
Albert Hall, Nottingham NG1 5AA



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- ✓ Skill development

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Time
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(pick up by 4pm)

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