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NOTTINGHAM HIGH INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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ATTENTION

Make-up and Skincare

With the rise of TikTok and social media trends promoting the use of skincare and makeup products, a polite reminder to pupils and parents that products of this nature are not allowed in school. The Junior pupils have been reminded of this in assembly on Friday morning.

No makeup is permitted at all at the Infant and Junior School and please think carefully before you allow your child to use skincare products such as 'Drunk Elephant' and 'Glow Recipe'. As reported by multiple news outlets including the BBC ([read an article here](#)), The British Association for Dermatologists has warned that children using such products could leave them with irreversible skin problems.

If you need any support challenging your child over this issue, please feel free to contact their Form Tutor/Phase Leader for advice.

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After School Club
Contact Numbers

Infant School : 07500 887 982

Junior School : 07810 502 693

Please see attached for :

- Infant School menu w/c 11.03.24
- Junior School menus are [here](#)

Abbreviations used throughout:

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

MRS SIMPSON'S NEWSLETTER

Dear parents,

This March marks Women's History Month; an important moment in the calendar for us to pause and reflect on the remarkable women who have made history (or should that be her-story) over generations past. Inspired by Miss Griffiths' marvellous World Book Day costume, I was prompted to read a little more about the Suffragette movement in the UK. Whilst the first mass petition for female suffrage was in 1866, the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) was established in Manchester in 1903 by Emmeline and Christabel Pankhurst, and it was the members of the WSPU specifically who became known as Suffragettes. Indeed, the narrative around the suffragette movement have historically focused on the Pankhursts and Emily Wilding Davison, but there are countless other women who played a pivotal role in the fight for female suffrage. Whilst we acknowledge the important work of these women it feels right this Women's History Month to also shine a spotlight on women from more diverse backgrounds who also contributed significantly, often known as the "forgotten suffragettes".

Princess Sophie Duleep Singh was the daughter of Maharaja Duleep Singh and was also Queen Victoria's goddaughter. She contributed financially to the cause of the suffrage movement by selling off her own possessions and famously threw herself at the Prime Minister's Car holding a banner saying "Give Women the Vote". Rosa May Billinghurst was a polio survivor who used a modified tricycle for mobility. She was also heavily involved in the female suffragette movement, founding the Greenwich branch of the WSPU and becoming its first secretary. She was imprisoned at Holloway for throwing a brick during one protest, and was sentenced to one month's hard labour.



Why do we need to celebrate Women's History Month? Is it really necessary in 2024? It is my view that through its celebration today, we acknowledge that such figures were not always given the recognition or respect they deserved. It is through our study of such people, particularly those lesser known characters, that we can truly reflect and honour those who came before us. As proudly co-educational and extremely diverse school community, celebrating those who contributed to our history is paramount and continues to impact our children and their way of thinking. Mr Cordy told me recently that he taught a Philosophy for Children class at the Junior School last term at which he worked hard to showcase a range of diverse philosophers. In week one, the philosopher chosen was male. In week two, female, and so on. One female pupil was absent week two, and upon learning in week three that the philosopher was male, she asked Mr Cordy why we only study male philosophers. He was able to clear up with her that this was not the case, and a classmate filled her in on the philosopher covered the week before, but her willingness to stand up for diversity and question the status quo was impressive. Our children at the Infant and Junior School are intellectually curious and not afraid to ask if they don't think something is quite right. Their commitment to diversity and inclusion is impressive, and through the "I am empowered" strand of our Roadmap they are not afraid to stand up for what they believe in. I am sure that this pupil's foremothers would have been mightily impressed with her question!

With best wishes,

Mrs Simpson

MRS SIMPSON'S Q&A SESSION

Q&A Session

With Mrs Simpson by Amelie & Taran



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NOTTINGHAM HIGH
INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL

MARCH SNAPSHOT

MON

18

- Y4 Outdoor Ed @ Walesby Forest
- After School Music Theory Club will finish at 4.40pm

TUE

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- **NO LUNCHTIME SWIM CLUB**

WED

20

- Notts Primary School Choir Festival in Player Hall

THU

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- Y3 Conkers Residential departs

FRI

22

- Y3 Conkers Residential returns
- Y6 Netball away @ Birkdale School

25

- Y3 Caroline Lawrence Author visit (pm)
- Y4 Outreach Football Festival @ Valley Road
- **NO AFTER SCHOOL MUSIC THEORY CLUB**

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- Reports out to Parents
- Y1 'We Love London!' Production @ 9.15am & 2.15pm inc. Y1 Open Classrooms
- EYFS, Y2 - Y6 Open Classrooms 3pm

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- JS House General Knowledge Quiz
- JS House Cross Country @ Wollaton Park
- **End of Term**
- **IS @ 3.45pm &**
- **JS @ 3.55pm**

Support staff will be available during the holidays except on Good Friday & Bank Holiday Monday on: 0115 845 2235

If you would like to request an authorised, planned absence for your child, please contact exeat@nottinghamhigh.co.uk which now addresses exeat requests across IJS and Senior School.

WEEK AHEAD - W/C 18TH MARCH

Due to other commitments, Mrs Kawalec has made the following changes to after school Music Theory Club : **Monday 18th March** - club will finish at 4:40pm

Monday 25th March - There will be **NO** Theory Club. Many thanks for your understanding.

MONDAY

- RA Superhero Club, RJ Mindfulness & Yoga Club, 1P Collage Club (3.45 - 4.30pm)
- Y2 Speech & Drama (3.45 - 4.30pm)
- Y4 Outdoor Education Day @ Walesby Forest
- Y3 remain @ school for games
- Y5 & Y6 Girls to Valley Road for Netball
- Y5 & Y6 Boys to David Ross Sports Village for Hockey

TUESDAY

- Y1 & Y2 Choir (3.45 - 4.15pm)
- Swim Club - due to staff absence, there will be no Swimming Club today

WEDNESDAY

- RB Computing Club, 1S Weaving Club, 2M Construction Club, 2B Dance Club, 2W Art (Drawing & Crafts) Club (3.45 - 4.30pm)
- 1S Dance Club (3.45 - 4.25pm)
- Notts Primary School Choir Festival

THURSDAY

- 2M Little Wickets Cricket (3.45 - 4.25pm)
- Y3 Conkers residential departs

FRIDAY

- Y3 Conkers residential returns
- Y6 Netball away @ Birkdale School



REVIEW

'Front Desk by Kelly Yang - reviewed by Emi G. (6C)



- **Who would love this book?** Y5 - Y7
- Emi would give 4.5 /5 stars

Mia moves from China to America with her parents, they are hired by an evil owner of a motel - Mr Yao. Whilst they clean the motel, Mia looks after the front desk. They hide immigrants in the motel. Mia who wants to be a writer, goes to school with the evil owner's son who is very mean to her.

Year 3 Author Visit

On Monday 25th March, esteemed author Caroline Lawrence will be visiting Year 3. She will tell us how she wrote *The Thieves of Ostia*, which we've loved reading as part of our Romans topic. We're in for a real treat!

As part of her visit, Caroline will be happy to sign any copies of *The Thieves of Ostia* you may have. We know some of you have a copy at home; please feel free to bring it in for her to sign.

If you don't have a copy of *The Thieves of Ostia* and would like to buy one, please do so via WisePay. Caroline is offering the book to IJS pupils at the discounted rate of £5. **Orders need to be received by 4pm on Tuesday 19th March** to ensure that the books make it to school in time.

Best wishes,
The Year 3 Team





Year 1 Production - We Love London!

Year 1 have begun their rehearsals for their production, We Love London!

The performances will take place on Tuesday 26th March at 9:15am and 2:15pm. Due to strict fire regulations, we can only offer a maximum of two tickets per family. Tickets will be available Mon 4th March 7.00pm <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/DFGC>

Please arrive after 8.50 for the morning performance and 1.45 for the afternoon performance; refreshments will be available in the Lovell Dining Hall.

Limited parking will be available in the Senior School Yard on a first come first served basis.

We have organised for Open Classrooms to take place after each performance. The children will return to their classrooms and parents can join their child in 1P or 1S to celebrate their work.

Y2 Open Classrooms - Tuesday 26th March 8.15 - 9am or 3 - 3.45pm

To allow sufficient space for adults to enjoy seeing their child's work and classroom, we have organised for **Year 2** Open Classrooms to take place over two sessions, on Tuesday 26th March, 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/0qy553UuGj>

A total of two tickets are only available per family.



EYFS & Y3 - Y6 Open Classrooms Tuesday 26th March 3 - 3.45pm

Come along and look at your child's work - no bookings required for EYFS, Y3 - Y6.

There will be limited parking available in the Senior School yard from 3pm. Due to the timings of the school day, please ensure you either leave the car park by 3.45pm or delay your departure until 4.15pm.

Please see separate information above for Y1 and Y2 Open Classrooms

Junior School House Egg-stravaganza!

What's the idea?

- Decorate an egg! You can use more than one egg if you like and it can be any design you choose.
- You can either use real eggs or polystyrene/cardboard eggs or even just decorate a picture of an egg.
- If you use a real egg, you will need to ask an adult at home to help you prepare the egg- there are ideas on GC for how to do this.
 - Bring your design into school on **Monday 25th March**.
- The competition will be judged on Tuesday 26th March with winners announced on the last day of term, **Wednesday 27th March**.
- There will be an award for everyone who takes part (merits) a class winner (prize) and an overall House winner.
 - Be CREATIVE!
 - Think outside the (egg) box.





Our Cross Country teams took part in races at Twycross House School on Monday and Tuesday this week. There were some great performances from the children and our U11 team managed to come away with a silver medal. Well done to everyone who took part!

Our next Cross Country event will take place on March 27th at Wollaton Park with the whole Junior School taking part for House Cross Country - further details to follow.



After Easter, our Marketing team will be undertaking some general day to day filming of short video clips to capture life at Nottingham High School. This content, which spans all years from EYFS to Sixth Form, will be featured in admissions recruitment videos promoted on our website and social media accounts.

Once we have the filming dates confirmed, we will send an email to all parents with more details. If you would prefer that your child not be photographed during the filming, you can opt out by replying to the email, which will be sent by our Marketing team.



Head Lice

Following two recent case of head lice in school, it is important that children are checked on a weekly basis so that any head lice can be dealt with quickly and before they can be allowed to spread. We would ask you to check your child's head as soon as possible. Please follow the simple routine below to ensure that you are doing all you can to keep head lice outbreaks to a minimum.

- *Your child's hair once a week.*
 - *Use a proper detection comb to trap head lice.*
 - *If you find live lice, consult a pharmacist for treatment advice.*
 - *If head lice are spotted, take a close look at all the family.*
- TREAT**
- *Please treat your child with a clinically proven treatment.*
 - *Leave the treatment on for the recommended time for maximum effect.*
 - *Repeat the treatment for a second time seven days after the original treatment to kill any eggs that may hatch after the first treatment.*
 - *Check that all head lice have gone within two to three days of the final application of head lice treatment to complete the process.*
 - *Continue to check for head lice on a regular, weekly basis.*

For further information on head lice please see your pharmacist or visit www.nhs.uk/conditions/headlice



JS INGRAM CUP



This year we will be holding, our annual house music competition, the Ingram Cup, in the Summer term. I would like to encourage ALL pupils who learn a musical instrument, whether they learn in or out of school, to participate in this competition. Everyone who participates will earn valuable merits for their house, regardless of their level or ability.

During the 'Preliminary Heats', which will take place during the week beginning 22nd April, pupils will be adjudicated and ten pupils from each year will go through to the final, which will be held on Thursday 2nd May. Please encourage your child to talk to their teacher about what they might play for the Ingram Cup this year. I would stress that they should play something that they know well and that shows musicality rather than something that they are currently working on. Pupils who perform on anything other piano (including voice) need to provide named piano accompaniments/backing tracks to Mrs Kawalec as soon as possible and no later than Friday 12th April.

Prior to the heats, which will begin during the week beginning 22nd April 2024, sign-up sheets will be put up in the pupil entrances.

The final will take place on Friday 10th May. Pupils will be notified if they have been successful in gaining a place in the final by the end of the week beginning 22nd April 2024.

Please see further information by clicking on the link:

<https://nottinghamhigh.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Ingram-Cup-information-2024.pdf>

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

(Available Places Update)

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



	EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Places Available	1	6	7	6	6	6	8

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL
INFANT SCHOOL STAR OF THE WEEK

RA

Rebecca E. **for her confidence when talking about her I AM ME poster.**

RB

Darcey D. for challenging herself in Phonics to write another independent sentence!

RJ

Zachary D. for his excellent work with 3D shapes. Zachary was able to name all 3D shapes and identify the shape of their faces.

1P

Henry G. for being focused and on task when completing his Tudor House for the Great Fire of London.

1S

Soraya T. for working hard to learn her lines and perform them with expression.

2B

Maya S. for trying hard with her writing and completing a fantastic story using a range of detail!

2M

Vinnie G. for thinking of some lovely promises in his RE work this week.

2W

Ethan O-O. for his fantastic work explaining if a calculation is right or wrong and using different ways of showing his ideas.

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL INFANT SCHOOL SQUIRREL OF THE WEEK



Verity L. (RB) for asking lots of purposeful questions during our farm trip.

Adam A. (2M) for persevering in his all his learning this week even when the work was challenging.



JJ M. (1S) for his independence and original ideas whilst creating his replica house from 1666.



Erin T. (RA) for working really hard on creating her own Three Little Pigs story Map.

Eleanor R. (RJ) for asking lots of insightful questions and bravely holding the animals during our trip to White Post Farm.

Max K. (1P) for always taking incredible care and pride in his work.

Anika B. (2W) for always challenging herself to do her best work and being happy to try new activities.



Jacob L. (2B) for being thoughtful around the school and helping a reception child when they were hurt.

5B

Cole H-R., Max M., Luca C., Jia S., Cameron S. and Enzo L. for excellent information and presentation in a poster on the life cycle of a flowering plant.

5D

Milan A., Yash V., Danesh B. and Wanfei X. for excellent information and presentation in a poster on the life cycle of a flowering plant.

6H

Thomas R. for always being engaged during Hockey lessons. He is a great role model for his peers.

Silvana D. for making great progress in her reading and writing assessment scores. Clearly she's been listening in class and taking on board all the techniques taught.

Freddie M. for being able to answer his peers' questions during the trip to St Peter's

Gurpreet L. and Ibraheem A. for making good progress in their writing assessment scores. Clearly they been listening in class and taking on board the techniques taught.

Sydney Q. for making good progress with her reading assessment scores.

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JUNIOR SCHOOL RAINBOW AWARDS FOR PASTORAL EFFORT AND ACHIEVEMENT



Henry J. (4C) for making good choices in Music and trying hard to listen carefully and use musical vocabulary to describe what he heard.



Matilda C. (6S) for being proactive and stepping in and helping a friend in need.



Bhuvi A. (4W) for always being kind and thoughtful towards others.



Sammy A. (6H) for his excellent engagement in the trip to St Peter's. He asked questions, got himself involved in all the activities and was a shining example for the school.

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL JUNIOR SCHOOL SHARPENER FOR SUCCESS AWARD

4W

Tara N. for representing the school for the first time in a swimming fixture, for overcoming any nerves and swimming exceedingly well.

6C

Emily G. for asking some very thoughtful questions and sharing some interesting ideas on our trip to St. Peter's. She was a credit to the school.
Safa M. She was mentioned by the group leaders on the trip for her impeccable manners and excellent answers.

6S

Harri A. for his super engagement on the Year 6 trip. He spoke so enthusiastically about his family in India.

INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS TO CELEBRATE



Emma R. R. and Valentina Z. (2M) who performed at the 'At the Movies Vocals - Music for Everyone' event on Saturday 09 and Sunday 10 March.



Vinnie G. (2M) has achieved his 25m swimming badge.



Benedict C., Subhadra G. (3M), and Adam A. (3G) represented the Nottingham County Chess team in the U9 National Primary Schools' Chess Championship Semi-finals. Their exceptional performance led Nottingham County's U9 team to clinch first place, earning them well-deserved gold medals. The U9 team has secured their spot in the national finals scheduled for April.



Hamish J-R. (5B) received man of the match from his Rugby Club 'Nottingham Corsairs' after an extremely muddy match over the weekend.



Ellie W. (5B) has passed her Grade 3 piano exam with Merit.



GENERAL NEWS

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

We are excited to announce that this Easter, you can join us for an awesome Tech Camp. With lots of exciting activities from programming challenges, Robot Coding, Minecraft Engineering, DJ mixing and LEGO Engineering! 🤖

We are running on 8th – 12th April at Nottingham High School, NG7 4ED from 9 am to 4 pm each day.

Our aim is to inspire, engage and empower the next generation of creators, coders, and inventors. We have put together an action-packed Activity Schedule with something for every child to extend their learning in a fun and unique way using the latest and greatest tech. Activities include:

- 🤖 ROCKING ROBOTICS - Meet our robots and learn visual coding and programming skills that make them come to life!
- 🚀 INGENIOUS INVENTIONS- Create electronic wonders, while exploring the world of circuits and invention with so many possibilities to explore.
- 🎨 3D CREATIONS - Unlock your inner Tech Artist and create mesmerising three-dimensional creations, letting your imagination soar!
- 🎥 MEDIA MADNESS - Enthusiastic directors, actors, and content creators will delve into the captivating realms of photography and filmmaking.
- ⭐ 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 greatest sessions in the safest environment. For more information check out our flyer attach or visit our website below.

Our camps cater to ages 5-11. Spaces are limited, so don't miss out and book online today, simply visit: <https://www.nextthing.education/product/nottingham-high-school-easter-camp/>

We look forward to seeing you at camp! 🤖🎨
Next Thing Education Camps Ltd.

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NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Coding & Robots | **Circuitry & Inventions** | **Creative Technology** | **STEM Engineering** | **Tech Fun**

Movie Making | Video Game Design | Robot Coding | STEM Experiments | Engineering

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE
8th - 12th April 2024

"Wonderful Time"
"Our son had a wonderful time at Tech Camp, he was so proud of the song he made and mixed together himself and couldn't wait to play it for us when we collected him."
★★★★★

How to book

STEP 1
VISIT OUR WEBSITE OR SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW

STEP 2
FIND YOUR NEAREST CAMP

STEP 3
ES OFF IF YOU BOOK BY 15 MARCH WITH CODE BELOW

BOOK NOW AT
www.nextthing.education

T: 01442 873150 E: info@nextthing.education

NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL
Waverley Mt, Nottingham NG7 4ED
Ages 5 -11, 9 am -4 pm

www.nextthing.education

GENERAL NEWS

Bandwise 2024

WORKSHOP AND PERFORMANCE DAY OPEN TO ALL YOUNG PLAYERS AGED 8 – 21

BIG YOUTH MUSIC EXPERIENCE





Playing workshop: Saturday 20th April
South Nottinghamshire Academy, Radcliffe on Trent
Concert: Sunday 28th April – Albert Hall, Nottingham



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PHYSIO SESSIONS

We're happy to announce the start of Physio sessions as part of the wider range of services the Centre offers to both students and parents.

Run by experienced physiotherapist Alex Lamb from [Coach House Physio](#), sessions will take place between 1pm and 5pm on Wednesdays. Students will be able to attend sessions during lesson time or after school, with parental permission. Please note that parents must be able to attend these sessions in person alongside their child (including those over the age of 18).

Each 40-minute session, which will include assessment and treatment, costs £45. Mr Lamb also works with private health insurance providers.

Parents and staff are also welcome to use this service at the same rate of £45 per 40-minute session. If these sessions take place after 4pm, parents are welcome to keep children in our wrap-around care until the end of your appointment. All appointments can be booked in [advance via this form](#). If you have any questions about this service, please contact the Wellbeing Centre Administrator, Dan Scott, at scott.d@nottinghamhigh.co.uk.

GENERAL NEWS

FIRST NIGHT FREE

Electric Jive



Every Thursday

Want a great night out?
More fun than the gym!

BEGINNERS WELCOME
NO PARTNER REQUIRED!
EASY TO PICK UP
FOR ALL AGES 18-80

For more information
07730 269 969

www.electricjive.co.uk

FIRST SESSION - THURSDAY 7TH MARCH
Player Hall - Nottingham High School - NG1 4HH

AFTER-SCHOOL NETBALL TRAINING

IN THE MAIN SCHOOL SPORTS CENTRE



MONDAY SESSION ENDS
YEARS 6 & 7 YEAR 8 5.15PM 6PM



TUESDAY SESSION ENDS
YEARS 9 & 10 6PM



THURSDAY SESSION ENDS
SENIORS 5.45PM



Little Wickets
"Championing Teamwork, Fair Play & Fun, Creating Team Players for Life"

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Softball Cricket Camp for Boys & Girls Reception - Year 6

Our camp:

- ✓ Cricket skills and games
- ✓ Fair play & teamwork
- ✓ Spirit of Cricket
- ✓ Lots of FUN!!
- ✓ ECB Qualified Coaches
- ✓ Batting, Bowling & Fielding
- ✓ Make new friends
- ✓ Skill development

10% DISCOUNT FOR YOUNGER SIBLINGS & TWINS (BOOK VIA EMAIL)



Date 8th - 10th April

Time 8:30am - 3:30pm (pick up by 4pm)

RUSHLIFFE SPENCER ACADEMY, BOUNDARY ROAD, WEST BRIDGFORD, NG2 7BW

www.littlewickets.com info@littlewickets.com 0115 671 0565

The Merle

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

MMR

MEASLES MUMPS RUBELLA

Measles is circulating, it is serious, very infectious and can cause complications.

Especially for those with a weakened immune system, babies under one year and pregnant women.

You need two doses of MMR vaccine to protect you, see your GP practice to make an appointment.

It is never too late to have your MMR.

Immunisation the safest way to protect your child



The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has declared a national measles incident

Measles is an infection that spreads very easily and can cause serious problems in some people.

Cold-like symptoms

The first symptoms of measles include:

- a high temperature
- a runny or blocked nose
- sneezing
- a cough
- red, sore, watery eyes

More info here

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>
[National Measles Guidelines](#)
[MMR Vaccine Info](#)