

NOVEMBER 2025



NEWS FROM THE OFFICE...

Dear Parents / Carers

I have spent this morning in classrooms and it has been lovely to see the work that the children have been doing and how they have settled quickly back into this half term. It was also lovely to see you all at parents' evening before half term, thank you to you all for filling out our questionnaire on your views of school. I have attached the results at the bottom of the newsletter. Tonight we have

the Halloween disco whereby all proceeds from this disco will go to a trampoline for our new SEN block that is currently being built.

I cannot believe Christmas is fast approaching and therefore I have put the Christmas productions on the bottom of the newsletter. More details will follow from the EYFS and KS1 staff

in the future.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any queries at all.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Kelly
Headteacher

Special points of interest:

- News from the office
- Kindness Theme Week
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KINDNESS THEME WEEK ...

Before half-term, all of KS2 took part in a theme week based around one of our new 'Steps to Success,' Kindness. Year 3 focused on how to build self-esteem and positivity through creating personal pocket cards of positive affirmations. They created a class kindness jar in their wellbeing areas to share all the times when they have demonstrated kindness throughout the year. Their week culminated in creating some fantastic acrostic poems using their 3 key words of the week – Kindness, Respect and Positivity. Year 4's focus was to learn about how kindness can help to build empathy and friendship. Through drama activities, the children explored what the effects

of kindness might look like and then created secret kindness notes and positive affirmations to be hidden around the school and playground for their peers to find. Year 5 explored how to share kindness both within our school and the local community. As well as enjoying guided meditations and exploring what makes a healthy mind, their first task was to fill up their own 'Kindness Buckets.' Linking to the Age UK project, 'Dear Christmas Friend', pupils learnt the importance of spreading joy and compassion in the local community, by designing Christmas cards and messages for some lucky residents of local care homes. These will be delivered by the children

closer to Christmas. Year 6 also looked at the importance of sharing kindness in the local community but with a focus on charity work. The children explored the local charity Sharewear, researching what they do to spread kindness through supplying clothing within our community. To support their invaluable work, year 6 will be holding a special clothing drive for Sharewear, and have researched Sharewear and created an advertising campaign for this. If you have any clothes that you would like to donate, please dig them out and bring them to school to drop off in our donation area under the KS2 canopy every morning before school during the week of 24-28th November.

POPPY APPEAL..

We are supporting the Poppy Appeal and merchandise will be on sale throughout the week. Thank you to all of you who have already donated.



PARENT EVENTS...

Mrs Lamb writes...

Boxercise

Our boxercise sessions start on Thursday 6th November 2pm-3pm. Come along and join us for some fun exercise. The sessions are free and open to everyone regardless of how much exercise you currently do. You can even bring your baby or toddler along to join in the fun! Please enter via the school office.

Stay and play

We are holding our very first stay and play session on Monday 17th November 9am-10:15am. Come along with your child and join the fun. There will be lots of fun activities available for you and your child to enjoy. Refreshments will be available. The session will be held in the key stage 2 hall. Please enter via the

key stage 2 hall door.

Navigating Neurodiversity

Join us for our new parent workshop all about understanding neurodiversity and gaining strategies to help your child. This is a 4 week workshop and is free to join. The sessions will start on Tuesday 25th November at 1:15pm-3:15pm. If you are interested in joining the sessions, please email [ad-min@riseuppark.nottingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@riseuppark.nottingham.sch.uk)

Mental health support team

We have a new practitioner from the mental health support team joining us from this half term. She will be in school on Thursdays. She will be offering some parent workshops, group work and 1:1 work with children and whole class work-

shops on different topics. If you feel you or your child requires support in this area, please speak to Mrs Lamb.

Help and support

If you are experiencing any difficulties such as children's challenging behaviour, sleep, potty training, financial difficulties or need any help, please do not hesitate to pop in for a chat.

Upcoming events

Keep a look out for information about what will be available in December. Candy canes will be on sale and you will be able to join us for some winter crafts!

Children in Need

This will be on Friday the 14th November more details will be sent out.



BOOK FAYRE...

Our Parents' Evening Book Fair was a wonderful opportunity to see so many excited children go home with a brand new book: there is nothing better than seeing our pupils thrilled about delving into a new story! Thanks to your support, we managed to receive a percentage of the total books sold. This was approximately £500. The commission made of these sales will go back into buying books for the children. Information regarding these books to follow.

PE AND SPORTS AT RISE PARK...

Mr Gray writes Our strong start to the PE curriculum and wider sports offer has continued throughout Autumn Term 1, with pupils enjoying a broad range of activities and opportunities to develop their skills and confidence.

Across the school, our throwing and catching theme has been a real highlight, with every year group showing fantastic progress. It has been wonderful to see the determination, teamwork and enthusiasm on display in every lesson.

We are also proud to celebrate the success of our Sportshall Athletics teams, who performed brilliantly and have now qualified for the finals taking place in December. A huge well done to all involved!

Our after-school clubs have continued to thrive, with excellent attendance and engagement in football and Footgolf. These sessions have been filled with energy and enjoyment, helping pupils stay active and build positive habits beyond the school day.

Lunchtimes have been equally active, with children making the most of a wide range of activities including tennis, cricket and basketball. Our Sports Ambassadors have done a fantastic job inspiring others through fun, inclusive games, alongside opportunities such as hula-hooping, skipping, Connect 4 and Jenga.

As we move into Autumn Term 2, our focus in curriculum PE will shift to strength and flexibility through gymnastics, while new after-school clubs in table tennis and gymnastics are set to launch. With Sportshall finals and our football league campaign ahead, there's plenty to look forward to as we continue helping pupils thrive through healthy, active lifestyles

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...



14th November—Year 3 Stone age Trip

19th November—Year 4 Perlethorpe Trip

24th November—Flu Vaccinations

4th December—Year 2 Pantomime Trip

9th December—KS1 Nativity—10am or 2pm

11th December—EYFS Nativity—10am or 2pm

19th December—Last day in School before Christmas Break,

5th January—Children are back to School

Parent Questionnaire Results

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Don't Know
My child is happy at this school	167 72.93%	61 26.64%	1 0.43%	
My child feels safe at this school	180 78.6%	49 21.4%		
My child makes good progress at this school	170 74.23%	55 24.13%		4 1.75%
My child is well looked after at this school	170 74.23%	58 25.44%		1 0.44%
My child is taught well at this school	178 77.72%	48 21.05%		3 1.32%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	128 55.89%	76 33.48%	14 6.16%	11 4.85%
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	166 72.48%	59 25.99%	1 0.44%	3 1.32%
This school deals effectively with bullying	118 51.52%	66 29.08%	5 2.2%	40 17.62%
This school is well led and managed	169 73.79%	55 24.12%	1 0.44%	4 1.75%
This school responds well to any concerns I raise	155 67.69%	59 25.76%	6 2.62%	9 3.93%
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	168 73.36%	52 22.71%	7 3.06%	2 0.87%
Would you recommend this school to another parent?	178 77.73%	46 20.09%	2 0.87%	3 1.31%





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