ARNESBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER





The library is now being used as we continue to fill the shelves and buy more much needed books; its all so exciting!

School attendance is 98.5% so thank you parents and carers for helping to support your child's education and achievement by being in school every day.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

romped in our jeans as part of Jeans for Genes day!

Focus on charitable giving. Please give what you are able to give.

Harvest Festival will be in school this year Donations to school for the local foodbank please until Friday 10th October

> Blythswood Christmas box appeal starts Monday 6th October

> > Parents evenings

Wednesday 8th October and Thursday 9th October

Whole school trip to Evington Mosque Morning of Wednesday 8th October

> School open day Thursday 9th October

Visits in school for prospective parents. Please book an appointment with the school office.

Curiosity, Respect, Thankfulness, Independence, Resilience, Forgiveness, Honesty, Teamwork, Koinonia



Matthew

the King

Mark

Jesus as a servant

Luke

Jesus as the

saviour

John

Jesus as God

Jesus as

160 years Anniversary—The history of the school

HEADTEACHER RETURNS

On Friday 19th September, Arnesby school welcomed the visit of Ruth Atkins, a former Headteacher who had been Headteacher at Arnesby school in 1969-1974.



At the age of 93, she clearly remembered what the school used to look like and told the children about how the 'big class' (currently Endurance Classroom) had an old heater for warmth and a very uneven floor with Victorian desks, which she set about changing.

The 'small class' (currently Courage Class room) was for the infants as there were at that time, only two classes in the school, in

two rooms. She did however like the charm of the old buildings and refused to have a new school built on the playing fields describing the idea as 'a box that she didn't want!'

Miss Atkins spent her time at Arnesby actively bringing the school up to date from the old Victorian schooling style and into the '70's! She was the last Headteacher to 'live in' and rent the house although she confessed to only spending one night there! (A bit like our sleep-over last academic year!)

Miss Atkins was thrilled with our new library, as they didn't have one at that time, and with the vibrancy of the classrooms.

Our large symbolic horse chestnut tree is still thriving and she said that she always encouraged children to climb that tree and loved the idea of the tree platform. She marvelled at the new Peace class outside area and how the use of space had

been carefully thought out, but most of all, she was very impressed by the children who she said were 'lovely'.

Thank you to Mrs Val Hutton, a former pupil at the school during Miss Atkins Headship, who introduced us all and made the visit possible.



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Matthew 5: 14



PEACE class shining in field work.

We've had a wonderfully busy and engaging week in Peace Class, full of hands-on learning and exploration.



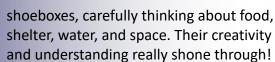
Geography Adventures

This week, we went on a walk around Arnesby to observe and sketch different geographical features. The children were fantastic at spotting, natural features, and man-made structures. It was a great opportunity to connect our classroom learning with the real world around us.



Science in Action

In Science, we've been learning about habitats and what living things need to survive. The children created their own habitats using





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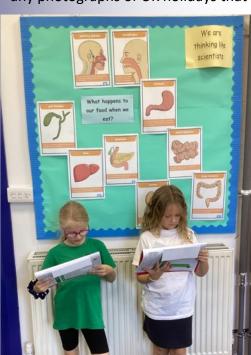


What's happening in school? Courage Class



Courage class shining in......

In geography we are learning about the unique features of the UK. We have looked at the differences between urban and rural areas and are now learning about the man holiday destinations in the UK. If you have any photographs of UK holidays that



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Destination: Britain!

would help this learning, please send them into school.

In science we have learning about digestion and the children researched about a particular organ such as the pancreas, gall bladder or stomach.

We have also looked at the role teeth play in the process of digestion.

The children took this very seriously as they all examined their teeth with a mirror!





What's happening in school? Endurance Class

Endurance class shining in music

Endurance class have been working very hard this term. We've started the

writing and editing process for our explanation and instruction texts. The children have been working on writing explanations for how to survive in some of the most extreme biomes on this planet. The early results are amazing and well worth reading about how to survive!





In music we've been looking at beat, pulse and rhythm. We've used classroom percussion to perform a polyrhythm based on Gamelan performances. We've even composed our own interlocking melodies using glockenspiels.

In RE we've started to con-

clude our unit on Modern Islam in Britain. We've held class discussions of the impact of the Five Pillars of Islam and debated the importance of each in both our opinions and how Modern Muslims might view them.





Who are we thinking about?





By filling a shoebox with simple things, you can bring warmth, joy and hope this Christmas.



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On Friday 3rd October Derek from Blythswood shoe box appeal came to talk to the school about this year's appeal for children and families in Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Kosovo, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Ukraine, who have so little at Christmas time. He gave the school some expertly covered boxes for

our donations but we can also make our own too. Children can bring a box home on Monday 6th October if you would like to take part.



Wear Red Day



In support of Show Racism the Red Card, the UK's leading anti-racism educational charity, we are inviting all members of Embrace to wear red!

SHOW **RACISM** THE RED CARD

Friday 17th October 2025

Friday 17th October will be a non-uniform day, where pupils and staff are encouraged to **wea**i as much red as possible!











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Matthew 5: 14

What's happening in school?



Cross country team

Team Arnesby represented the school on Thursday 18th September at the SLSSP Cross Country event. We were thrilled that 12 children took part and some of their comments showed how much they had enjoyed the run.

There were 4 races altogether with 60 or 70 children in each race.

Well done Team Arnesby!

Reuben said "It was good and I enjoyed it and I want to go again. I came 27th."

"I came 48th and really enjoyed it." Bernie

"I really enjoyed it, people who might want to go it's only 1 lap as it's a really big field; I came 24th place. "Lily.



Erin, "It's not always about winning it's also to have fun which is why the school enters these competitions. I came 24^{th."}

"I enjoyed it. It was fun and I wish I could do it again and again I came 31^{st"}

Alice

Cohen, "I had a stitch almost half way there and I was getting overtaken loads of times but I enjoyed it. I nearly came last!"

"I really enjoyed it. I could have gone a bit faster, I jogged at the start. I really liked it and I hope to get to go again. I came 36th I think." Lana

Theo, "I liked it and you get to see some of your friends as well, I came 20th."



AUTUMN TERM

Cross Country take 2!

Team Arnesby once again braved the weather and ran very well at the

second meeting this half term on 1st October.

Well done Team Arnesby for such great sportsmanship too!

Uly said " I loved the run, I'm coming next time too!"

Bernie was relieved and said "I just managed to get in front of another child; it was brilliant!"

Arlo once again did well and said "It was really good, I came 15th and there were 67!" (in my race).

Erin said "My heart was beating soooo fast!"

One parent enthused that it was " Great to see the children in an interschool competition and achieving success regardless of the position they came. A good sporting

event".



Another parent said "Amazing! Still buzzing for the children as they all did so well!"







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JEANS FOR GENES

Jeans for Genes Day is about wearing our jeans and raising much needed awareness and funds for children with genetic conditions (faulty Genes).



Well done to everyone for remembering to wear jeans on the day and thank you for donating to this children and families charity

We raised £37.00

Your donations make a huge difference!



Help with childcare or a welldeserved holiday



Equipment, like a specialist wheelchair, or frame



They help fund specialist nurses whose knowledge can really help families access the correct medical care.

Dear God,

Thank you for making each one of us special and unique. Today, as we wear our jeans, we remember all the children and families living with genetic conditions.

Help us to be kind and caring, and to support those who need our help.

Thank you for the scientists, doctors, and nurses who work hard to find cures and treatments. Please give them wisdom and strength.

Help us to be grateful for our own gifts and talents to use them to make the world a better place which brings hope and happiness to others.

Amen.



What's happening outside school?

The Harborough Monster Trail starts on Monday 20th October—Look out for more details.







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There are 20 brand new mischievous monsters hidden across parks in Harborough, Lutterworth, Fleckney and Thurnby for families to find this Autumn!

Find the monster, scan the QR and collect the code! To meet our monsters and find out more, scan here!













There are certificates and badges to collect. PLUS! A medal for those that find all 20 monsters!

IF YOU COMPLETE A TRAIL, YOU'LL go into a prize DRAW TO WIN JELLYCAT monster pipi









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Breakfast and After school clubs

Breakfast and afterschool club's are an important part of the schools offer we have worked with the school sports offer through Super Star Sports to give each day a focus sport. These sports will run for rest of the half term and we will change the focus next half term based on the feedback from children and parents. Please try and support these clubs if you can.



BREAKFAST CLUB

Our breakfast club is available from 8am to 8.45am by different members of staff.

In order to continue to offer our help to working parents and carers, please book places for the breakfast club a week in advance and especially <u>not</u> over the weekend for a place on the following Monday or Tuesday morning.

Thank you.

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Thank you



Open days for new parents to show case our wonderful school.



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Please share these dates with friends and let them know that we have places available, even if they are out of our catchment area.





ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



Keep attending every day it makes such a difference to the children's learning and social interaction.

Our attendance is:

98.5%

Please help us keep it at

97% or better!

Last newsletter was:

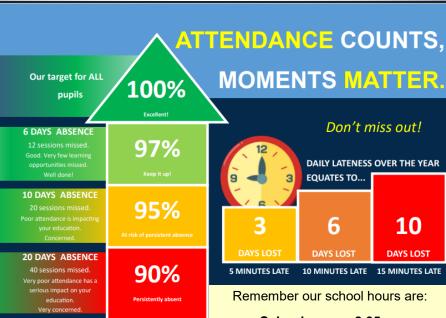
97.9%

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Thank you

Thank you to all parents and carers who have supported the school by getting your children to school on time.

It makes such a huge difference to their learning at the start of the day as all classes have start of the day activities which wakes up their brains and gets us all ready for a busy school day!



At Arnesby School attendance is a high priority. We <u>must</u> have a high level of attendance across the school to ensure that all children are given the best education possible.

Please support us in getting your children in school every day and on time.

School opens 8.35am

Gates close at 8.45am

Learning starts at 8.45am prompt

Children arriving after 8.45am will be marked as late and MUST go directly to the school office for sign in NOT to the class as learning will have started.





Keeping Children Safe



The Child Accident Prevention Trust (CAPT) warns that more than 300 children a year are rushed to A&E after swallowing magnets and one in ten needs life-saving surgery.

When strong magnets stick together inside the body, they can rip through a child's gut, cutting off blood supply and causing life-threatening injuries. Even toddlers have needed hours of emergency surgery, and some children are left with lasting internal damage.

Magnets don't just come in toys - they're also found in jewellery kits, fridge magnets, puzzles, dartboards, fidget toys and desk gadgets. Worryingly, some magnets sold online are 17 times stronger than the UK safety limit.

Remember to buy only from trusted brands and retailers and be cautious with cheap copies and online marketplaces. Keep magnets and products containing them out of children's reach.



A child may need major surgery to remove them. So, keep them away from young children. And teach older children the risks.



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