

ARNESBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

30th January 2026



At Arnesby School, we structure our behaviour around being Ready, Respectful and Safe. Children behave well and respect each other and are ready for learning, showing good learning behaviours means we can achieve a lot together. We have been very lucky this week to have had a visit from the The Relationships Centre in Leicester, to enhance our personal development curriculum. Our visitors talked to the children about friendship and good relationships with others and each child made and decorated a Happy Box. Our visitors were very complimentary about how well the children listened and participated—Well done Arnesby! We are looking forward to our whole school trip to Warwick Castle next week when we can also show how well we can use our knowledge when we learn outside of the school building too!

Mrs James

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Warwick Castle

Wednesday 4th February—Whole school trip

NSPCC Number Day

Friday 6th February 2026—Number themed dress up

Parents evening

Wednesday 4th March and Thursday 5th March

World book day

Thursday 5th March—dress up as a book character

Science Day

Wednesday 11th March

Leicester Tigers Stadium experience

Tuesday 17th March

Animal Day

Friday 17th April

Please let the office know if you can bring an animal into school so that we can create a working timetable.

Visits in school for prospective parents.

Please book an appointment with the school office.

Matthew

Jesus as the King

Mark

Jesus as a servant

Luke

Jesus as the saviour

John

Jesus as God

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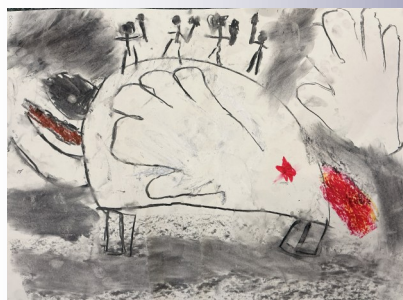
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What's happening in school? Courage Class



Courage class shining in telling stories

Courage class have created some cave art pictures based on our knowledge through the recent history topic and reading Stig of the Dump. We crumpled the paper first to make the texture similar to cave walls and used our knowledge of what drawing ma-



terials were available to make simple marks and perhaps give simple messages.



We have also been thinking about what kind of world Jesus wanted in RE and what the parables can tell Christians about



Jesus' message.

In science we are learning about forces and magnets and you can see the children exploring polarity and



magnetism.

In maths, we continue to focus on division. We have explored the

multiplication and Wolf's Secret in

English as a modern day fairytale and have written our own. Here we are dressed in fairytale character costumes to read in our houses with our buddies!



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What's happening in school? Endurance Class



Endurance class shining in reading

We've been doing many interesting things in Endurance class over the past couple of weeks.

In RE, we've been looking at the ways in which the teachings of Jesus help modern Christians to decide how to act and behave by answering the question WWJD (What Would Jesus Do). In particular, we've been looking at the impact of the Sermon on the Mount and how the Beatitudes can be used by modern Christians.

In English we're also about to start writing our information texts on Kings and Queens of England. Your children might have been singing "William, William, Henry, Stephen, Henry, Richard, John, OI!" on repeat! We've already completed our research and are currently organising our knowledge to make our writing as clear as possible.



In VIPERS, we've just finished our book "Fly Me Home" by Polly Ho-Yen, which the children have very much enjoyed.



In Science, we've been looking at different celestial bodies of the solar system – especially looking at the relative sizes of the Earth, Sun and Moon which adds to our pre-existing knowledge of how we have a day/night cycle, seasons, years and eclipses.

See our fairytale costumes below—they all looked wonderful!



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What else is happening in school? Fairytale Character Buddy Reading



Our reading focus this half term has been fairytales and children have been reading their fairytale stories to each other in the Houses as part of our buddy reading.

It has really helped to bring the stories alive by dressing up as a fairytale character and we have had a wide variety of tales represented from traditional to more modern.

Thank you to all parents and carers who provided such great outfits and made for a wonderful day and some great shared reading. Here are just some of the photos taken on the day.



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What has been happening outside school?



Well done Emily for qualifying for the National Arena Eventing Championship Finals in March.



This is a real test of partnership and skill, as competitors tackle a course that features a mix of solid cross country, traditional rustic and show jumping fences. This competition features classes from 50cm through to technical 1m tracks and should be a special day for all the eventers.

We wish you and your lovely horse the best of luck for the event. Do let us know how you get on!



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



Please keep your child attending every day as it makes such a difference to the children's learning and social interaction.

Our attendance is: 97.1% and is just higher than the last newsletter

Please help us keep it at 97% or better and not to slip below this!

The previous two newsletters were:

97.3% and 96.9%

School opens 8.35am

Gates close at 8.45am

Learning starts at 8.45am prompt

The school has new doors which now automatically lock at 8.45am.

Any child arriving after this time will be marked as late and **MUST** go directly to the school office for sign in.

Children do **NOT** go to the class.

We would appreciate parents dropping their children at the gate to ensure children go smoothly into class as morning tasks start at 8.35am.

If you need to leave a message, please see either Mrs James or Mrs Lawson at the gate or phone the school office.

Please keep supporting 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 start of the day activities and tasks wakes up the brain and gets us all ready for a busy school day !

Thank you.

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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 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.

Arnesby Primary School

Monday
★ Nerf Mayhem

Tuesday
★ Gymnastics

Wednesday
★ Multisports

Thursday
★ Badminton

Term Dates
W/C 5th of Jan to 13th Feb
15:15PM - 16:30PM

To book your child on, please speak to the school office. Alternatively, to book, please use your My Child at School account.

Please note that Art Club is not running in the Spring Term

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our breakfast club is available from 8am to 8.45am facilitated 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 not over the weekend for a place on the following Monday or Tuesday morning.

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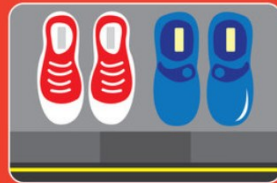
THINK

about where you should cross.



STOP

in a safe place at the side of the road.



USE YOUR EYES & EARS

to see and hear any approaching vehicles.



THINK!

ROAD SAFETY

Teachers and some parents have noticed that children are not taking enough care around the grassy triangle outside school when crossing the roads. Please take extra care crossing the roads here as cars are not expecting children to run across the roads or walk in the road.

WAIT

until all the vehicles have passed.



LOOK AND LISTEN

again to make sure all is clear.



CROSS

the road. Keep looking and listening.



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Road Safety Competition



 Leicestershire
County Council

ROAD SAFETY
EDUCATION
PROGRAMME
POEM
COMPETITION!

SPRING
TERM
COMPETITION

WRITE A POEM THAT
INCLUDES BEING SAFE
WHEN USING THE ROAD

YOU COULD INCLUDE
KEY ROAD SAFETY
MESSAGES SUCH AS:

- STOP, LOOK,
LISTEN, THINK
- RIDING SCOOTERS
SAFELY
- WEARING
HELMETS

A WINNER FOR EACH
YEAR.
ENTERIES SENT TO US
BY: FRIDAY 20TH MARCH
2026

TEACHERS TO DECIDE WHO WINS
AND SEND THE WINNERS WORK
TO ROADSAFETY@LEICS.GOV.UK



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