

ARNESBY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

19th June 2026



Summer is here and our big event of the Friends of Arnesby PTA calendar is coming soon!

Raffle | Class Stalls | Bouncy Castle | Tombola Games | Refreshments and Food | and much more!

Friday 26th June

3:30pm - 5:30pm

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Mill Hill Road, Arnesby, Leicestershire, LE8 5WG

WHERE EVERY CHILD SHINES

The PTA have been very busy preparing for the annual Summer Fair and have put a huge effort into making this year a special event on the village playing fields. We are all looking forward to a great turn out in good weather so please support us by sharing the date, time and location as widely as you can!

Mrs James

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 22nd June—packed lunch on the field for all children as Village Hall unavailable

Wednesday 24th June @2pm Reading Picnic on the field—all parents welcome.

Friday 26th June—PTASchool Fair on the field

Last day for KS2 swimming Friday 26th June

Wednesday 1st July-Move up morning

KS2 performance

Thursday 2nd July 6.00pm start @ the Chapel

Wednesday 8th July—Leavers service in the Chapel @9.30am

Matthew
Jesus as the King

Mark
Jesus as a servant

Luke
Jesus as the saviour

John
Jesus as God

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Arnesby School is Where Every Child Shines



Children help each other in many different ways. A friendly word of reassurance, quiet times to allow concentration for reading or thinking, taking turns in a game, talking together to learn together. Arnesby has many different ways that we help children learn and feel that they belong.

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Arnesby School — Where every child shines

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

Our attendance is: 96.7%

and is the same as the last newsletter

The previous two newsletters were:

96.7% and 96.7%

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

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies 2026 — Thank you to the PTA!



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What's happening in school? Peace Class



PEACE class shining in Design Technology

This term in DT, Peace Class have been exploring the exciting topic **Wheels and axles**. The children have been learning about how wheels work and what makes a good, effective wheel through a range of practical, hands-on activities.



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The children have been developing their fine motor skills by carefully cutting out circular shapes, showing increasing accuracy, control, and attention to detail. They were encouraged to follow outlines closely, with many children independently adjusting their grip and technique to improve the quality of their wheels.

Following this, the children constructed their own models by attaching the wheels to axles. They explored how these components worked together to create movement, testing their designs and observing how effectively the wheels turned. The children noticed that securely attaching the wheels to the axles made their models much more stable and sturdier, while loose or poorly aligned wheels caused wobbling or prevented smooth movement.

Through investigation and discussion, the children were able to identify the strengths and weaknesses of their designs. They discovered that successful wheels needed to be evenly shaped, securely fixed, and able to rotate freely. They also reflected on common problems such as misaligned holes or loose attachments and suggested ways to improve their work.

Great work Peace Class!



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What's happening in school? Courage Class

Courage class shining in geography .



Contour maps of the local area were our focus this week in Geography and everyone enjoyed learning about how the local landscape was formed.

In RE we have been thinking about making the world a better place and the Golden Rule (as the ethical principle of treating others as you would want to be treated). The children have looked at similar ideas from different religions and non-religion around the world.

In Design Technology we are learning about pneumatic toys using pressurized air to create movement. We will build a closed system using syringes, plastic tubing, as by pushing one syringe it forces air through the tube, expanding a balloon or extending a second syringe to operate moving parts. Watch this space for ideas of how we can turn a teabag box into something remarkable and fun!

Courage Class love reading and are very happy reading in class and changing books regularly in the school library. The teachers sometimes find it hard to tear the children away from the magic of their own imagination and stories or books with super interesting facts!



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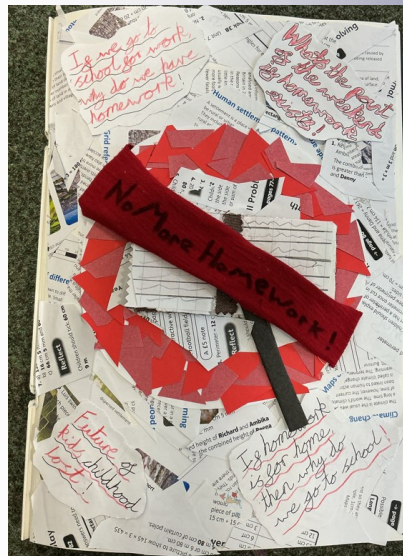
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Endurance Class shining in....

Endurance class have been working on an Activist Art – topic by using art to promote a social message. As you can see, they have made use a variety of different techniques that we have worked on over the last year or two as well as making use of artistic knowledge of colour theory to promote their goals. A special mention for Hugo who produced this amazingly well thought out artwork.

Have a look at the variety of different social issues that matter to Year 5 and 6 and see the different skills they've used to promote their aims.

Excellent work Endurance Class!



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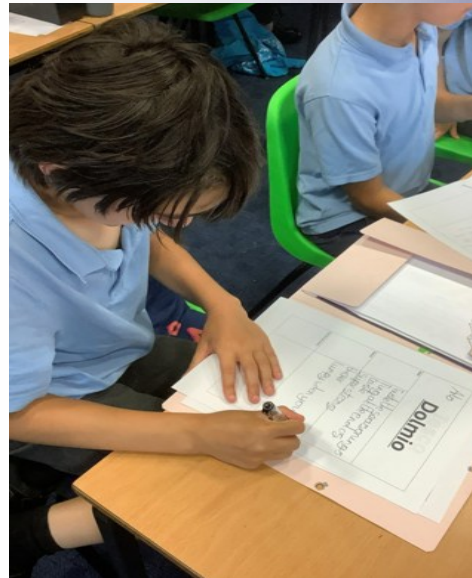
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We've had a busy few weeks in Endurance class continuing to practice for the end of year production, improving all the time in our performance.



We can't wait to show our hard work to you all.



In Design and Technology, we've started looking at how to develop a recipe. We've explored how ingredients go "from farm to fork" and have taste tested different pasta sauces to develop our own recipe for a delicious and

nutritious meal.

We've also been experimenting with poetry, using the different roles in our performance as inspiration for a variety of quatrain and haiku poems. There's been some very creative work this half term which has been wonderful to see.



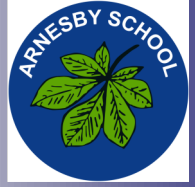
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Warning Zone! Endurance Class Yr 6



This week, Year 6 were offered the opportunity to visit “The Warning Zone” in Leicester to learn more about staying safe in secondary school. The Warning Zone offered a fantastic chance to learn about some potential hazards and risks that – as they become more independent – the Year 6s might face in the coming years.

From road safety to staying sensible around train tracks, from recognising the dangers of building sites to some of the responsibilities of fire safety in the



home, The Warning Zone offered an immersive simulated experience that helped make the possible risks (as well as the ways to handle them) more real and tangible.

It was an excellent trip and thoroughly interesting

– and the children agreed!

“It was really thorough, but in a fun way. It did give some surprises with loud noises and things, but that’s what it’s really going to be like - so it works.”

“It was really really good.

It gave some surprises and it was interesting and I learned a lot.”

“It was good and exciting. I like how we didn’t really know what we were doing at first so there were a lot of surprises, and I like how they set up different sections of interactive stuff so we didn’t have to just write it down – we got to experience it for real.”



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Teamwork is our gardening school value!



Thank you to Jacquie who donated some of the plants and to Nikki for organising the lunchtime teamwork.

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South Leicestershire School Sports Partnership
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Switch Off for Clean Air Day!

On **Clean Air Day, 18th June**, we're inviting our whole school community to help keep the air around us clean and healthy. When a car engine is left running while not moving, known as **idling** it releases harmful fumes into the air. These fumes can make it harder for people to breathe and can even affect how well children concentrate. By simply switching off the engine when waiting, families can help make the air cleaner and fresher for everyone.

Turning off the engine also helps save fuel and reduces wear and tear on the car. Modern cars use more fuel when idling for more than ten seconds than they do when restarting, and idling can cause extra damage to the engine and exhaust system. So choosing not to idle is good for the environment *and* for your car.

We're asking all parents and carers to support Clean Air Day by switching off their engines during school drop-off and pick-up times. This small action makes a big difference to the air our children breathe every day. Together, we can help create a cleaner, safer and healthier environment for our school and local community.

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Cleaner air benefits all of us.

By taking action together we can improve everyone's health, boost local economies, and make our communities greener.



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



School opens 8.35am

Gates close at 8.45am Learning starts at 8.45am prompt.

The school doors 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.

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 be reminded that any appointments involving medical professionals in school time must be requested please and with proof of the appointment. A letter or screenshot of an appointment will be sufficient for our records. Please share this through contact with the school office.

All absence requests must be made to the school via the correct form stating why an absence is required. Government guidelines, which came into effect of 1 September 2013, prevents headteachers from granting any leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. A family holiday during term time is not seen as an exceptional circumstance.

Please note that unauthorised absences can result in a penalty notice being issued if your child has 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks or 5 consecutive days (10 sessions is equivalent to 5 days).

Fines are issued per parent per child at £160 each (discounted to £80 if paid within 21 days). Failure to pay within 28 days the fines being issued may result in parents facing legal action under Section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

Please support the school and your child by requesting leave if you need it.

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Sports Day



Thank you to everyone who supported our wonderful Sports Day again this year.

We enjoyed every minute in fantastic sunny



and warm weather!

Well done to all the children who showed great sportsmanship to their peers and both team spirit and gracious competition.



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Thank you!



Thank you to all children , parents and the PTA for organising a lovely Thank you board for all staff in school. We are delighted to have such a genuine show

of appreciation with some lovely comments . Thank you.

Water safety assembly

On Thursday we were lucky to have Morgan from Everyone Active (Wigston Pool) come and talk to the school about drowning prevention entitled, Float To Live. For KS2 they have already practiced some floating in their swimming lessons.

It was an engaging talk with lots of valuable information for the children to prevent getting



into difficulties around water.

As 60% of the most serious incidents are in inland waterways this made us think not just about safety at the sea-side.



However, we did learn about the beach flag colours and what they meant so that we are prepared for our summer holidays!

Do ask the children what the beach flags mean!



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Summer WATER SAFETY

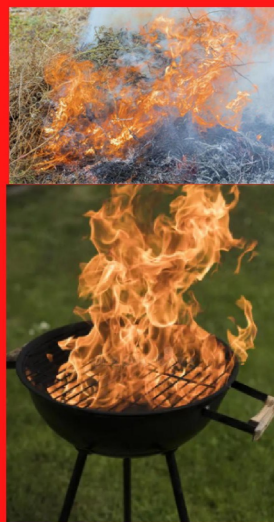
TOP TIPS

- Never swim alone or unsupervised
- Avoid alcohol, sunburn and exhaustion - stay hydrated and rested
- Wear a life jacket in open water
- Enter slowly and carefully and never jump from heights
- Stay within reach and within a standing depth
- Know your limits - don't take risks

STAY SAFE

E-BATTERY SAFETY

- Never charge e-bikes or e-scooters along your escape route
- Follow manufacturer's instructions for charging, do not overcharge batteries
- Always buy chargers and batteries from reputable sellers
- Don't tackle a fire yourself **GET OUT, STAY OUT** and call 999



WILDFIRE & OUTDOOR SAFETY

Even small fires outside can spread quickly in dry conditions.

- Avoid open fires in the countryside
- Do not discard cigarette butts on the ground, they can start fires and endanger wildlife.
- If you see a fire in the countryside, report it immediately, call 999
- Make sure your BBQ is well away from buildings, sheds, fences & trees
- Don't leave a barbecue unattended
- Empty ashes onto bare garden soil, not into dustbins or wheelie bins.
- Never use flammable liquids to start a BBQ or bonfire

FIRE KILLS
YOU CAN PREVENT IT

PRESS TO TEST. MONTHLY IS BEST.



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Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility

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