

'Being the best we can be together!'

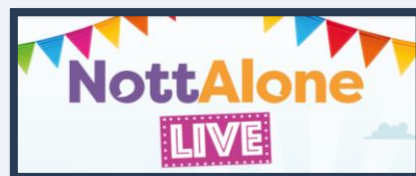
Easter Fun

Dojos are a reward used in school for anything from excellent concentration to being organised, having all your belongings at the end of the day. Each week, the Dojos for each house are counted and added to the house team total. Last week, all houses achieved a total of over 10,000 Dojos so we had an Easter reward session. All the children made Easter Nests and had some time to socialise and have fun with their House. The cross-aged groups worked exceptionally well together.



Is your child entitled to Free school meals, trips and additional school funding? Find out if you're entitled

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>



On February 10th, our Head Boy, Head Girl, Mrs Kenny and Mrs Magirr went to Notts Alone Live. Mrs Kenny is our Mental Health Lead and Mrs Magirr is our SENDCo.

This event was part of children's mental health week and involved inspirational keynote speakers, workshops, mental health service stalls, entertainment and exciting performances.

The event seemed like great fun and they all returned very sparkly!



Sensational Sport

Earlier in the academic year, Mr. Burton organised a sports kit design competition. The main winner had her design created into our school sports team kit. They also won their own kit which they can either wear or use as a piece of artwork to display on the wall.

The design was transferred onto the sports kit using an exciting process called sublimation. The runner up had their kit made into the goalie kit.



The sports kit has already had two outings. The girls' football team played Edmund Campion Primary School and then the boys' team played Sutton Bonington Primary School. The boys' team are now through to the final of the Small Schools' Cup within Rushcliffe.



Little Wickets Cricket

During the last half term, Paul from Little Wickets has been teaching cricket within school. It has been a great series of sessions and the children have made excellent progress.



Shakespeare Week



In January, we had an early Shakespeare Week, this year the whole school studied Twelfth Night.

Before the week, Miss Thomas shared her love of Shakespeare and drama with the staff. The training enabled all age groups to access certain aspects of the story. The children's dramatic skills brought the story to life.



Optional Holiday Challenge



Over the school holidays, I know that many people will visit people, go on holiday or have more time to go outside in the local area. It would be fantastic if you could take a photo of yourself out and about, write about where you went, what you did and how you got there. It would be amazing if you could find your destination on a map or draw a simple map of your journey. Try and keep your work down to one page and I can create a lovely book of all your holiday fun. 5 dojos for everyone who gets involved. 😊

Congratulations Mrs Shaw



Welcome to Daisy, who is Mrs Shaw's new baby. We can't wait to see her in school for a visit!

Useful Contacts

www.gothamprimary.co.uk

The school website has the calendar, policies and a range of useful information

@SchoolGotham

Follow our Twitter feed to see activities happening in school.

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Miss Delfino is the best person to contact about absences, medical appointments, pick up arrangements and school dinners.

janetteallen1@gotham.notts.sch.uk

Miss Allen is a good person to contact with any concerns and academic questions.

office@gotham.notts.sch.uk

Mrs Hughes is a good person to contact for general enquiries.

If there is an emergency, please don't rely on email. If we haven't replied to your email, phone the office on 0115 9149751

Welcome to Mr. O'Donnell



Many Willow parents will already have met Mr. O'Donnell but here he is for anyone who has yet to have the pleasure. We are really excited to have a new member of our team.

Science Week



During Science Week, Miss Terry and Miss Thomas organised for students from the University of Nottingham to come and lead some lessons.



They focused on investigating and understanding different careers where science is needed. The children took part in forensic science experiments and tried to solve things using fingerprint technology.





Upcoming Events

Monday 17th April
Return to School

Monday 17th April
Didi Rugby sessions starting in school for FS2,
Year 1 and 2. Remember your PE kits.

Wednesday 19th April
DAaRT sessions start in Year 6.
DAaRT Year 6 Parents' Meeting 3.30pm

Wednesday 19th April
Oak, Chestnut and Willow Talent Show in school.

Thursday 20th April
Sycamore, Cedar and Maple Talent Show in
school.

Saturday 22nd April
Girls' Football Tournament

Saturday 29th April
Boys' Football Tournament

During May
Year 2 SATs.

Monday 1st May
Bank Holiday – school closed.

Monday 8th May
Bank Holiday – school closed

Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May
Year 6 SATs tests.

Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May
DT Preparation Week

Monday 15th – Friday 19th May
DT Enterprise Week

Monday 15th – Friday 19th May
Mental Health Awareness Week

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June
HALF TERM – 1 WEEK

Monday 5th June
Return to School

June
Year 6 Writing SATs completion
Assessments across school

Monday 5th – Friday 23rd June
Year 4 Multiplications Check

Monday 12th – 16th June
Phonics Screening Checks
Year 1 and some year 2s

Week Beg 12th June
Bikeability – year groups will have been
informed separately

Thursday 15th June
9.15am New Parents' Meeting

Wednesday 28th June
Sports day 9.15am

Thursday 29th June
RSE Day 'Let's Launch into Kindness'

Monday 3rd July – Wednesday 5th July
Transition Days

Monday 10th – Friday 14th July
Sports week

Wednesday 12th – Friday 14th July
Year 6 Walesby Visit

Wednesday 12th July
Sports day back up

Tuesday 18th July
Year 6 Sports Day at ELA

Monday 24th July
2.30 Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

Tuesday 25th July
2.30 End of the Summer Term