



# SCHOOL NEWS

Autumn 2: 2025



It's that time of year again – busy busy! On page 2 you will find the dates for upcoming events in school. We hope to see as many of you as possible in school in the run up to Christmas; we have the Nativity and KS2 singing performance as well as Carol's winter crafts after school and a whole host of trips and visits planned.

## Parent Voice

Thank you to our parent community for sharing your thoughts and opinions with us. It helps us to improve our systems in school to best serve you and your children. We currently have a very short survey open about Showbie. Please take a couple of minutes to answer the questions. We are aiming to keep the surveys we use with parents short, to the point and not time consuming to answer.

Here is the link to the current parent poll: <https://forms.gle/cB8iyceQiSGRgzFg7>

## Fund Raising

You will remember we took part in Great Athletes. We raised an absolutely amazing total of **£905.20**. What an incredible achievement. A portion of the moneys raised goes back to Edale to buy new PE equipment and our PE lead, Miss Barker will be choosing this with the children.

## Attendance Updates

Evidence shows that better attendance is equal to better outcomes for children; better grades, greater confidence and more opportunities in later life. **Every day counts.**

Our attendance target is 96% - this is equal to **no more than 10 days** missed across the year. Please ensure that wherever possible, appointments are made for out of school hours as this becomes very disruptive to children's learning. Term time holidays will not be authorised. If your child is not going to be in school for any reason, please call the school office to report them absent or message us via Weduc. For more information please see the Attendance Policy available on our website.

**ATTENDANCE WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?**

**ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**  
Children are expected to attend school for 95% of the school year. The attendance target for every child is 96% or above. Attendance should be at least 95%.

**How do YOU measure up?**

Attendance	Days	Weeks	Lessons
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	280 Lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

**89% & Below**  
Drastic effect on academic achievement

**95%-90%**  
Cause for concern

**100%-96%**  
Excellent

# Key Dates

## November

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – School reopens
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Individual school photos
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> – Children in Need – non uniform day. Donations being collected.
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> – Life Education PSHE workshops (all classes)
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 to the Nottingham Playhouse – Scrooge Workshop
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> – Year 3 to Stone Age day trip to Bestwood Country Park

## December

- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Year 1 to A Victorian Christmas at Newstead Abbey
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Year 4 Roman Workshops in school
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Teddy Bear Hospital in F2
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> – Carol's Winter crafts and stalls after school (in the hall)
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Years 3-6 Winter singing performance 9:00am
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – EYFS and KS1 Nativity shows at 9:15am and 2:25pm
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> – Last day of Autumn term

## January

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – INSET Day
- School reopens on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Great Athletes Fundraising  
Event



## Supporting your child's learning at home

What can you do to help and how often should you do it?

### F2, Year 1 and Year 2



3-5 times a week – 10-20 mins  
Phonics book and high frequency words



Daily

### KS2



Daily – 10-20 mins



Daily – 10-20 mins  
(reading book)

The key to helping your child's learning at home is to complete tasks in a 'little and often' manner. Just 10-20 minutes a day can have a huge impact in your child remembering key learning day by day and week by week making them more successful and finding learning easier in the long run.

All children in KS2 have a log in for Times Tables Rockstars – if you don't have one for your child or they have forgotten it, please see their class teacher.

We have invested in more phonics books for our EYFS and KS1 children to take home. They are expensive to replace and we have 1 between 2 children for each title. Please ensure that these are returned each week in order for all children to have their turn with each book.