



Newsletter Friday 18th September 2026

Headteacher's weekly update!

We are halfway through the term and children are making brilliant progress in their learning. The response so far to the Smartphone Free Childhood initiative has been fantastic! Please continue to share with other parents and speak to Mrs Ng-Bell or Miss Hickman (Safeguarding Leads) if you have any further thoughts or queries. Thank you to all those who shared ideas for house names and contributed to the vote. We are pleased to introduce our new houses! These are named after famous turns at Donington Park Circuit: Coppice, Craner, Redgate and Hollywood. Your child's house has been allocated so you should be able to see this on Arbor - we have kept siblings in the same houses. We look forward to working together in house teams to earn house points, introduce our house captains and work with staff at Donington Park to do some exciting projects!



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Mrs Ng-Bell



PE Kits

Thank you to our families for adjusting so quickly to sending children in to school in their kits. A reminder that the uniform policy must be followed: no logos on t shirts, joggers/leggings, shorts or tops. We would prefer children attended with their school jumper on top rather than the black hoodie, but if this must be worn, it must be plain. Please don't be offended if we send reminders individually if your child is in the incorrect uniform!

PE days are - **EYFS** Weds/Fri **YEAR 1** - Weds/Fri **YEAR 2** - Mon/Fri **YEAR 3** - Thurs/Fri **YEAR 4/5** - Mon/Fri

SEND Team

We are lucky to have a great team of people in the school working behind the scenes to support all of our children, including those on the SEND register or who we believe may have an educational need. Please do arrange to speak with one of us if you need support. SENCo: Mrs Ng-Bell (Headteacher), Assistant SENCo: Mrs Phipps (Y1 teacher), ELSA trained staff member. Miss Stevens (Nursery Nurse), Mental Health and Wellbeing: Miss Hyden (Y3 teacher).



Autumn Term 2026

Phonics Session for EYFS parents 5.00pm - Wednesday 23rd September
Harvest Festival Assembly - Friday 2nd October Time TBC
School Flu Immunisations - Thursday 8th October
Parents Evening Week - Tuesday 13th October & Thursday 15th October
School Closes - Friday 16th October
Half Term Break - Monday 19th - Friday 23rd October
School Opens - Monday 26th October
Odd Socks Day - Monday 16th November
Bushcraft Session - Wednesday 18th November
Children In Need - Friday 20th November
Nativity (EYFS & Year 1) - Tuesday 15th December & Wednesday 16th December Times TBC
Christmas Carol Concert (Year 2,3,4 & 5) - Thursday 10th December Times TBC
Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 10th December
School Closes - Friday 18th December
Christmas Break - Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027
Staff Training Day (School Closed) - Monday 4th January 2027
School opens - Tuesday 5th January 2027