



# Edgewood Primary School

## Building skills and values for life

Thursday, 8 February 2024

### Newsletter

We have now finished the first half term of 2024 and hasn't it gone by quickly? Thank you to the PTA for the discos this week – everyone looked as if they were having lots of fun. Please remember to book your child's dinner choices on Ipay Impact no later than Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February. We look forward to seeing you all when school re-opens on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. Enjoy your break!

### Attendance

**Congratulations to Orange & Verde class for a weekly attendance of 97.33%**



Every School Day Counts  
Attend today, achieve for a lifetime!

### Diary dates for this term

#### **February 2024**

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – INSET day (school closed to all pupils)

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – school re-opens

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February – Swimming lessons for Verde class start

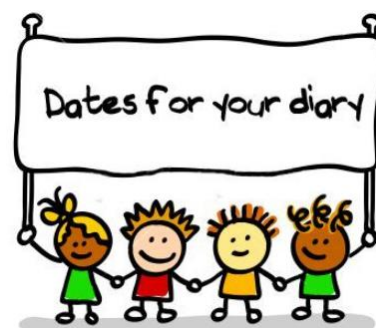
#### **March 2024**

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – National Offer Day for Secondary School places

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Comic Relief

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – last day of term



### Weekly Achievers

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024, we celebrate the achievements of the following children for being our half-termly achievers.

Nursery & Reception		Years 1 & 2		Years 3 & 4		Years 5 & 6	
<u>Rainbow</u>	<b>Emmanuel</b>	<u>Blue</u>	<b>Eleanor</b>	<u>Amarillo</u>	<b>Moses</b>	<u>Azul</u>	<b>Chloe G</b>
<u>Green</u>	<b>Charley</b>	<u>Orange</u>	<b>George J</b>	<u>Rosa</u>	<b>Ivey-Leigh</b>	<u>Morado</u>	<b>Vida</b>
<u>Red</u>	<b>Ella</b>	<u>Yellow</u>	<b>Elizabeth</b>	<u>Verde</u>	<b>Phoebe</b>	<u>Rojo</u>	<b>Ashley</b>

### Football outside of school

We have noticed recently that there are several children who are playing football outside of the front entrance while they are waiting for the gate to open and unfortunately the balls keep hitting the windows. Please ask your child to not play in this area at all - we will start to confiscate balls until end of the day if this continues. Thank you.



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## **Mothers' Day shop**

To celebrate Mothers' Day this year the PTA will be opening a Mothers' Day shop to children during school on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March. There will be a selection of gifts for children to choose from to bring home and share with you. This is a pre-paid ticket event only, therefore tickets will be available to purchase on 21<sup>st</sup> February between 8-9am and 3-4pm in reception. There are 2 price options to choose from: £3 or £5. Items in the shop will all be one blanket price of £3 or £5 depending on the ticket you have purchased. Please do not send children in with cash on 8<sup>th</sup> March to purchase a gift as we will be unable to fulfil the purchase. The shop will be trading on tickets only.

## **Reminder to parents**

There have been several occasions this half-term where parents are collecting children early to attend appointments, or because of bad weather conditions. Please try, where possible, to ensure all routine appointments are made outside of school time, to maximise learning (and attendance) and to minimise disruptions to lessons. Several classes are having assessments currently and these interruptions are causing problems in class as the whole class is being disturbed and not just the children who are leaving early. When there is adverse weather, we will notify parents if we need to close early. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

## **Safer Internet Day**

Safer Internet Day was on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February and we have been having discussions across the school about how to keep ourselves safe online. We are acutely aware that parents have such a vital role to play in ensuring their children operate safely when they are online. This includes ensuring children are not using inappropriate apps in breach of their Terms of Use. For example, if a child is under the age of 13 and has created a Snapchat account, the account must be deleted in accordance with their Terms of Use ([www.snapchat.com/terms](http://www.snapchat.com/terms)) by going to [www.snapchat.com/a/delete\\_account](http://www.snapchat.com/a/delete_account) and entering the child's username and password.

There are some really useful links below for parents and if you still require further advice or support, please speak to a member of staff. We want children to be able to make use of all the brilliant opportunities the internet has to offer but in a safe and positive manner.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/online-issue/parental-controls>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/social-media-guides>

<https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/parents-and-carers>

## **Swimming Lessons**

Verde class will start their swimming lessons on the afternoon of Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February. If you are a parent helper in school who already has a DBS, and you are available on Thursday afternoons, please would you consider helping out to ensure this can still take place? Please speak to the office if you can help. Thank you.

# Including Parents Conference

We have been asked to share with you details of the 'Including Parents Conference' being held in Nottingham on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024. This is a FREE conference for parents and carers of children up to the age of 19 with additional needs. Workshops will be held entitled 'Emotionally Based School Avoidance'; 'Mindfulness'; 'SEN Support'; 'Interoception'; and 'Understanding Behaviour and How we can Respond'. Tickets will be available to book from 4<sup>th</sup> March – see flyer below for details.

This year we are excited to have a performance from Mansfield based Theatre Company, Unanima. The cast are exclusively learning disabled and/or autistic and use their lives and experiences to inform the performances they create, as they seek to stimulate social change. This will be followed by a Question-and-Answer session with the cast.

Information will be available on a range of services, support groups and leisure opportunities for children and young people with additional needs and their families. With representatives from Ask Us, SEND Local Offer and Parent Carer Forum on hand to provide signposting and guidance on the day.

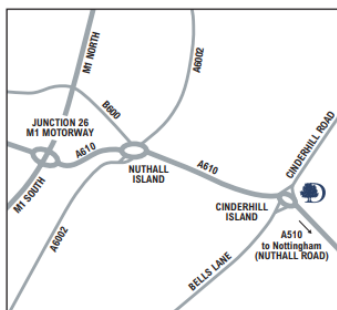
Layla Brailsford, one of the County Council's Senior Benefits Advisors will be available in Acorn Room 1. If you wish to book a slot during the breaks in the conference to ask her any questions, please register an interest when you sign in on the day.

And finally... there will be an opportunity at the end of the event to gather information, speak to workshop providers and ask any outstanding questions that you may have.

## Childcare Costs

You may claim additional childcare costs incurred as a result of attending the conference.

A receipt from a registered provider will be required for audit purposes. **(Maximum of £40.00 per family).**



Doubletree by Hilton Nottingham  
– Gateway Hotel, Nuthall Road,  
Nottingham NG8 6AZ

The hotel is located on the A610, 1 mile from Junction 26 of the M1 motorway, and 3 miles from Nottingham city centre, with 200 free car parking spaces on site. It has good public transport links with bus stops nearby that connect to the city, and Phoenix Park tram stop located less than half a mile from the hotel. Nottingham train station is located 4 miles away.

Please note that priority will be given to parents and carers who have not attended this conference before.



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## Including Parents Conference

This is a free conference for parents and carers of children and young people up to the age of 19 with additional needs, who are resident in Nottinghamshire or whose child attends a Nottinghamshire school.

Presented by  
**Schools and Families  
Specialist Services**



**Thursday 2 May 2024  
9am - 3pm**

at the Doubletree by Hilton Nottingham  
Gateway Hotel, NG8 6AZ  
**Bookings go live on 4 March 2024 at 8am**



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## Keynote Performance: Unanima Theatre Company



Unanima is an arts organisation that provides a variety of creative, cultural and campaign opportunities for learning disabled and/or autistic people in and around Mansfield & Ashfield.

Unanima is a National Portfolio Organisation for the Arts Council, and a charity that is run by co-CEOs Tracy Radford and Dr. Brad English, and governed by a trustee board, that proudly has learning disabled representation on it.

Through compelling performances that invite audiences to laugh, ponder and wonder, we seek to stimulate social change.

We are becoming increasingly intolerant of learning disabled and / or autistic people remaining segregated, overlooked and infantilised by society and we will continue to produce art that sparks solutions until this has stopped.

## Programme of the day

- 8:45 Registration
- 9:30 Welcome and Introduction
- 9:35 **Keynote Performance + Q & A:**  
**Unanima Theatre Company**
- 10:20 Refreshment Break
- 10:40 **Workshop 1**
- 12:10 Lunch
- 1:10 **Workshop 2**
- 2:40 Providers & Professionals  
available for questions
- 3:00 Close

## Workshop details

### Emotionally Based School Avoidance

Understanding what Emotionally Based School Avoidance means and how adults can work together to support children in this area.

*Workshop Provider: Educational Psychology Service, Nottinghamshire County Council*

### Mindfulness

Making time for you in a busy world.

*Workshop Providers: Julie Rastall and Louise Grafton, Parents*

### SEN Support

Overcoming barriers to inclusion through the graduated response and approach to SEND.

*Workshop Providers: Cognition and Learning Team, Nottinghamshire County Council*

### Interoception

Interoception is the sensory system that gives us the information about our internal body condition e.g. when we're hungry, thirsty, need the toilet, hot or cold, anxious, angry or happy. This is an introduction to an emotional regulation programme designed to teach your child how to recognise their internal body sensations.

*Workshop Provider: Communication and Interaction Team, Nottinghamshire County Council*

### Understanding Behaviour and how we can respond.

Exploring causes and responses to a range of behaviours and crisis points.

*Workshop Provider: Lead Physical Intervention Co-ordinator, Nottinghamshire County Council*

## How to book

[www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

- 1 Click on 'search for events' – Including Parents Conference'
- 2 Choose a location – 'Nottingham'
- 3 Filters select date – Pick a date – 2 May 2024
- 4 Click – Search
- 5 Click – Tickets
- 6 Enter Access Code – SFSS2024
- 7 Click – Apply
- 8 Click – Register
- 9 **Complete your registration details and preferences in order (1-5)**
- 10 Click – Register

*All Information provided is confidential*

### Workshop choices available:

We will do our best to allocate you to your 1st and 2nd choices, but we cannot guarantee this. It is important that you also identify your 3rd – 5th for this reason.

- Emotionally Based School Avoidance.
- Mindfulness.
- SEN Support.
- Interoception.
- Understanding Behaviour and how we can respond.

Please state any special requirements you may have.

You will receive an email confirming your booking.

**If you have difficulties booking, contact:**

Trudi Hodgson, SFSS  
T: 0115 854 6464 E: [sfss.sjr@notnsc.gov.uk](mailto:sfss.sjr@notnsc.gov.uk)





Is your child starting at nursery, school or moving between schools?  
And does your child have special educational needs?

If so, a series of free drop in events (one in each district) will be running during March. They will take place between 9:45 and 11:45 on the following dates (*refreshments will be provided*).

# Nottinghamshire Parent/Carer Transition Events March 2024

## Ashfield

11 March 2024

The Summit Centre, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, NG17 7LL

## Newark

11 March 2024

YMCA Business Space, Newark, NG24 4FH

## Rushcliffe

12 March 2024

The Boundary Edge Suite, Notts County Cricket Club, West Bridgford, NG2 6AG

## Bassetlaw

18 March 2024

The Well, Retford, DN22 7BD

## Broxtowe

18 March 2024

Toton Methodist Church, Toton, NG9 6GA

## Gedling

19 March 2024

The Richard Herrod Centre, Carlton, NG4 1RL

## Mansfield

19 March 2024

The Towers, Mansfield, NG18 5NG

Please choose the event most convenient to you.

Sessions are open to **all** parents/carers of children with special educational needs – no diagnosis or EHCP is required.

Representatives from Nottinghamshire County Council's Education Support Services and the SEND Local Offer will be on hand to offer advice about the wider support that is available for children and young people with additional needs.





# February Holiday Clubs

## Westdale Junior School, Mapperley

**Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February**

**Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years**

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.



**Cost:** £22 per day  
All childcare vouchers accepted

**Timings:** 8am-5pm

To find out more or to book visit  
[www.rattleandrollperformance.com](http://www.rattleandrollperformance.com)  
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