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NEWSLETTER 3 – 13th October 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

MACMILLAN COFFEE EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our Macmillan Coffee events. We raised a fantastic £185.86.

HARVEST FESTIVALS

Thank you to all the family members who came to our first Harvest Festival this morning. We hope you all enjoyed the lovely singing. We are really grateful to have received so many kind donations for Bassetlaw Foodbank. These will be collected by the foodbank following our second Harvest Festival which will take place on Thursday 15th October (for Oak and Willow parents/families).



DISCO – THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER

It is the last chance to pay for this Thursday's disco on ParentPay. Times are as follows: -
Acorns (Nursery/F1) 4:30 – 5:15 pm – Enter by front door, exit at Willow class door.
Oak (Reception/F2) Willow (Y1) & Rowan (Y2) 5:15 – 6:15 pm – Enter by front door, collect from Willow class.
The cost is £3.00 which includes a drink and snack)

Acorns (Nursery) children need to be accompanied by a responsible adult.
Please note there WON'T be a PE After School Club on this day.

HAF HALF TERM ACTVITY PROGRAMME AT HALLCROFT

We are hosting a Holiday Club run by Grade A Sports during the half term holiday (Monday 19th to Thursday 22nd October). Booking is open and HAF funded and paid for places are available. This club is not available for nursery children. Please follow the link below to book:

https://eequ.org/book/hallcroft-infant-school-fun-packed-day-with-grade-a-sports-28955

CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

We will celebrate Children In Need on Friday 13th November by asking that children come to school in something spotty, their Pudsey clothes or other non-uniform if they don't have anything spotty/Pudsey. Please don't buy anything new/special. A donation of 50p is suggested.

BOOKS AND BISCUITS – FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

Please come and join your child's class to share books and eat biscuits! This is a lovely opportunity to spend time in your child's classroom. Please see times below:
Acorns (Nursery) 8:50 am
Oak, Willow and Rowan Classes 2:45 pm

AUTUMN TERM CLUBS

Please contact the office if you would like your child to take part in any of the clubs below. All clubs will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please note, if your child already has a place in Sports or PE Club this half term, they will remain on the list for next half term unless you let us know that they no longer wish to come.

Club	Day	Cost	Times	Open to:	Availability
Art Club	Tuesday (3rd November to 8th December)	Free	3:20-4:30pm	Year 2 (Rowan)	8 spaces
Sports Club	Wednesday (4th November to 16th December. Please note there will be no club on the 2nd December due to the Christmas fair)	£3 (Please pay cash to Michelle) Or free for children eligible for FSM.	3.20 – 4.30pm	All year groups (Oak, Willow and Rowan)	30 spaces
PE Club	Thursday (5th November to 10th December)	Free	3.20 – 4.30pm	Year 1 & 2 (Willow & Rowan)	15 spaces



For Sports Club & PE Club - you must send your child with a separate sports kit and trainers.

DIARY DATES

Harvest Festival (Oak & Willow parents)	Thursday 15th October 9am
Disco	Thursday 15th October
Half Term Holiday	Monday 19th – Friday 30th October
HAF Holiday Club	Monday 19th - Thursday 22nd October
Children return to school	Monday 2nd November
Rowan Class visit to Bassetlaw Museum	Monday 9th November
Children in Need	Friday 13th November
Books & Biscuits	Friday 13th November 2:45pm
Elizabethan Dance & Gymnastics (Willow & Rowan)	Wednesday 18th November
Willow Class visit to Leverton Windmill	Thursday 26th November
Indian Dance workshop	Friday 27th November
Nativity Photos in school	Tuesday 1st December
Christmas Fair	Wednesday 2nd December 2:00-4:00pm
Nursery Christmas Play	Thursday 10th December 9:15am
Oak Christmas Play	Friday 11th December 9:00am
Willow Christmas Play	Monday 14th December 2:30pm
Rowan Christmas Play	Tuesday 15th December 9:00am
Christmas Party Nursery, Oak & Willow	Wednesday 16th December
Christmas Party Rowan	Thursday 17th December
Oak, Willow & Rowan visit to St Michael's Church	Thursday 17th December (parents welcome)
Christmas Dinner Oak, Willow & Rowan	Thursday 17th December
Rhubarb Theatre visit school (Oak, Willow & Rowan)	Friday 18th December

We like to give dates in advance but please be mindful that they may need to be changed.

Wishing you all a lovely half term break. Please see the free holiday activities at the end of the newsletter.

Jo Cook

Mrs Cook
Head Teacher

What's on at Idle Valley

Autumn Half-Term

Woodland Activities



Go wild with a range of childrens activities around our reserve, including den building, bird bingo, spotter guides.

Unscramble the word hidden around the childrens play area & win a small prize!

Nature Crafts

Sunday October 18th
10am-2pm

Join us for an Arts & Craft session at the visitor centre using natural materials, recyclables and your imagnation.
All ages welcome,
No need to book



Discovery Packs



Explore the reserve with one of our discovery packs, containing a pair of binoculars, a magnifying glass and activity sheets





All activities are free to join,
Though small donations are welcome!

Nottinghamshire Wildlife Trust

Bassetlaw Museum

YOUR MUSEUM | YOUR DISCOVERY

HORRIBLE HALF TERM ACTIVITIES!

Terrifying Tricky Trail! All day, every day! FREE!!

19th-30th October 2026

19th and 20th Playmobil- All day-drop in.

21st Warhammer, 12 years of age and above. 11am-2pm -Drop in

22nd and 23rd Lego - 10-3 -Drop in.

26th Creepy Clay Day, 10-12 then 1-3 - Drop in.

27th Ghost Jar Lanterns, 10-12 then 1-3 - Drop in.

28th Canvas Collage, 10-12 then 1-3-Drop in.

29th Apple Heads, 10-12 then 1-3-Drop in.
Forest School, 2-3:30- Drop in.

30th Lego 10-3- Drop in.

ALL OUR ACTIVITIES ARE FREE!! NO BOOKING REQUIRED!
APPROPRIATE FOR ALL AGES UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.
WE USE RECYCLED MATERIALS WHERE POSSIBLE, PLEASE BE ALLERGY AWARE AND SPEAK TO STAFF IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS.
GROWN-UPS MUST STAY WITH CHILDREN.

Bassetlaw DISTRICT COUNCIL — North Nottinghamshire —

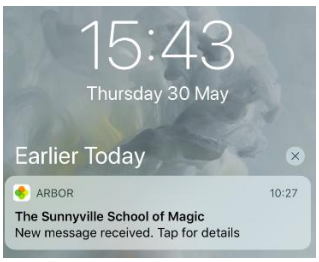
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ARBOR APP

Please read the following information from Arbor regarding receiving notifications from your Arbor App.

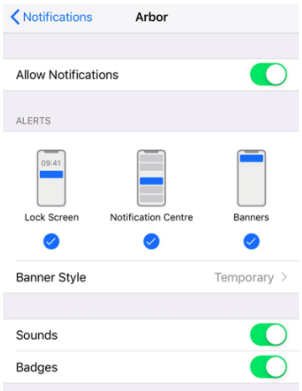
Parents can enable push notifications when installing the Parent App on their phone, which means they'll be notified when they've been sent a new in-app message (whether they're logged in or not).



Sometimes, parents may stop receiving push notifications to their phones. Even though they may have enabled push notifications on their phones, iOS devices occasionally block push notifications if the phone is receiving a lot of them.

If they do stop receiving messages, they can complete the below steps to enable them again:

1. Close the Parent App (make sure that it's not running at the background - see this video on how to do this)
2. Go to your settings and switch OFF push notifications for the Parent App.
3. Restart your phone.
4. Go to the settings and switch ON push notification for the Parent App.
5. Restart your phone again.
6. You should then be able to receive push notifications again.



If after all the steps above have been completed and push notifications are still not appearing, uninstall the Parent App from the device and install it again. When installing the second time, make sure that you agree to receive push notifications from the app.

