

Round Hill Bulletin 08: 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

A copy is on the <u>School Website</u>.

## 'Dream, believe, achieve together'

Reflecting	Daring	Persevering	Dreaming	Together	
An End of Spring Term Message from Mr Nash	<ul> <li>We are all so pleased with the amount of progress the children have made this term. Also, it was wonderful to see you all again at Parents Evening recently. Thank you for your continued support.</li> <li>This is a longer than usual Bulletin, so please do Persevere until the end, as always it contains important information.</li> <li>The Easter holiday will bring a much needed rest for us all and we hope that you enjoy spending some quality family time Together. The summer term is usually the busiest one of all, with so many things to look forward to: Sports Days and Graduation Ceremonies to mention just a few. Keep your eyes on the School Calendar for more details. The best way to view the calendar is to view to 'Month' as this lists the dates in order.</li> </ul>				
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Hot Topic 'Online Safety' Smart Phone	Parents will recall that the Hot Topic section of the Bulletin is dedicated to raising awareness about online safety issues. After a year of sharing updates in this section, I'd like to take this opportunity to reflect on the positive impact of our initiatives, in combination with national efforts, and also to look ahead to the next 12 months. As a school, we've seen a decrease in online-related incidents, and I believe our collective efforts have played a significant role in this progress. Thank you for your continued support.				
	While this is a positive development, I don't want us to become complacent with what we've achieved so far. I believe we must continue to focus on supporting our youngest children, ensuring that the measures we have in place are sustainable and effective in protecting them from the risks of online safety while maximizing its benefits - especially when it comes to children owning smartphones.				
Campaign – Not Until	Smart Phone? – Not Until Year 9!				
Year 9!	If you'd like to be involved in the next steps, please keep an eye out for updates in the next Bulletin. In the meantime, if you haven't already, please consider joining the campaign to delay giving children smartphones until at least Year 9.				
	"The more of us who participate, the faster we can shift the social norm"				
	By signing the Pact, you'll be joining a rapidly growing community of families across the UK who are choosing to wait until the end of Year 9 to give their child a smartphone. It takes just 30 seconds to sign the Parent Pact, and the more of us who participate, the faster we can shift the social norm. To learn more about why children should remain smartphone-free and to sign the pact, visit this <u>website</u> .				

PTA Shout Out	We have an AMAZING PTA and we wanted to say a huge thank you for all you have done so far this year to help support school. For example, thank you for the discos last week and the huge fundraising effort to enable school to have 2 additional air conditioning units installed in 2 classrooms earlier this year. This has already made a positive impact in school. Further to the letter I sent last half term, the PTA still need your help to hold the upcoming summer events. If you are able to help, be it in a small way, then look for details of how to get involved at the <u>end of this Bulletin.</u>			
Staffing Update	As mentioned in Bulletin 7, Ms Munro, our school's Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO), will be leaving us at Easter. We are pleased to announce that we have appointed a new SENCO. Mrs Ransford will be joining our Senior Leadership Team as Assistant Head Teacher and SENCO at the beginning of June. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding special educational needs support, our current Senior Leaders will be available to assist, with additional support from the Inclusion Lead at Equals Trust.			
Break The Rules - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April:	As previously mentioned - after the fun the children had last year, we are adding another break the rules day in for the end of this half term on <b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April.</b> Parents need to <u>scan the barcode</u> at the end of this Bulletin make donations this way please.			
Music Information Meeting – Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Look out for a letter later this week inviting parents/carers with a child in Year 3, 4 or 5 to a Music Information Meeting on Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April after school if you would like your child to learn a musical instrument at school from September.			
Fun Run – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Our annual school Fun Run will be taking place on Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May. This is supported by our fantastic PTA and more details can be found at the end of the Bulletin in the PTA update.			
NCC Parents Conference – Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Nottinghamshire County Council has asked us to share details of their Parent Conference on Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June for parents/carers of children with additional needs. Details of how to book can be found here: <u>NCC Parent Conference Leaflet</u>			
D.H.Lawrence – Writing Competition	D.H. Lawrence children's writing competition has returned for World Book Day 2025. Short stories and poems written by children could be in with a chance of winning a Kindle and National Book Tokens, as the popular D.H. Lawrence Children's Prize: Writing Competition launches for the third year to celebrate World Book Day. This year's theme is 'Animals', inspired by Lawrence's collection of animal poetry such as 'Snake' and 'Baby Tortoise'. If you are interested in finding out more and to find out how to enter, please follow the below link: D.H. Lawrence Children's Writing Competition			
Parent Reading Survey Results	Thank you to all parents/carers who completed the Spring 2025 Parent Reading Survey mentioned in Bulletin 07. The results from the survey can be found here: <u>Parent Reading Survey Results</u>			
Mural Competition Update	Thank you to all the children who contributed to the mural competition – we're thrilled to have had so many fantastic entries! The winners of the competition will be announced at the end of this week. Further information about the next stages of the competition will be shared with the winners next half term. A massive thank you for your support in bringing this creative project to life!			
Comic Relief – Thank You	Thank you for all of your contributions to Comic Relief on Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March. We raised £253.40 for this great cause.			
Updated Policy Parent Code of Conduct	As we have now joined Equals Trust, we have adopted a new <u>Parent Code of Conduct</u> ; while this will not affect the vast majority of our parents, it is important that everyone is clear to ensure the protection and well-being of all staff.			
The Importance of School Attendance	A reminder that you can access your child's attendance within the Arbor App and it is up to parents to check regularly. A huge thank you to our Parents & Carers - we truly appreciate the effort you put into ensuring your children arrive at school on time and ready to learn each day. Your dedication plays a huge role in their education and future achievements.			

	We do understand that family time is important, and we do not wish to cause any upset or enter into difficult discussions. However, we must follow attendance guidelines and are unable to grant leave of absence for absences during term time. Critically, we have a duty to report. In addition, if a child has been reported as unwell and a holiday is suspected, school will report to the local authority for a penalty notice fine. This would be rather embarrassing for everyone so please avoid doing this at all costs. EVERY SCHOOL in the country has to do this!
	<ul> <li>Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us give every child the best chance to succeed.</li> <li><u>Our policy</u> states that Exceptional Leave of Absence will NOT deemed to be exceptional: <ul> <li>To visit family, we have not seen for a long time</li> <li>My work does not allow me to take holidays during the school holiday periods</li> <li>Days overlapping with the beginning or end of term</li> <li>My child needs a holiday at quieter times due to their needs</li> <li>Our holiday has been gifted/arranged by others and we did not have a choice of dates</li> <li>My child has good or 100% attendance</li> <li>Availability of cheaper holidays and travel arrangements</li> <li>We booked the holiday before checking with the school</li> <li>Holiday dates of siblings/family at other schools are different</li> <li>Day trips/Birthday plans</li> <li>It's a special sporting fixture/show/event I want my child to attend</li> </ul> </li> <li>Regular school attendance is essential for pupil success! Being in school every day helps children stay on track with their learning, develop important social skills, and build good habits for the future. Even</li> </ul>
	a few days of absence can make it harder for pupils to catch up, which is why we encourage families to prioritise attendance and avoid holidays during term time.
	I have been made aware that some people have been accessing the school field at the weekend or during the evening when they have not sought permission from the school. For clarity Beeston Football Club use the field on a Sunday morning - all those who use our facilities is by prior arrangement only.
People using the field - Trespassing	If you see anyone using the field when they are not supposed to, then please let us know, ideally with evidence so that we can appropriately challenge this. We want to preserve our facilities for the enjoyment of our children. I am aware that the audience of this Bulletin might not reach everyone concerned and I would be grateful if you could pass it on if you know anyone who this might affect.
	Thank you in advance for your support.
	Thank you to everyone who attended this term's Parents' Forum. The forum provided an opportunity for parents to share their thoughts on a range of topics: Scheduling of Parents' Forum Meetings; Tuck Shop; Parents' Evening Feedback; Communication and Extra-Curricular Events; School Website; Talk for Writing Event; Joining Equals Trust; Maths Teaching; Homework.
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This is a not-for-profit venture, and all transactions are cash-only. We source our fruit from local supermarkets and the same company that supplies fresh fruit to our EYFS and KS1 children, ensuring quality and freshness.
We are proud to support our pupils in making healthy choices while providing them with hands-on learning experiences.
We would like to inform parents and carers that the Nottinghamshire Local Authority is making changes to its school meals provision. In light of this, we have proactively sought a solution that better meets the needs of our pupils here at Round Hill.
We are pleased to announce that, starting w/c 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025, we will be transitioning to Taylor Shaw as our new school meal provider. Taylor Shaw is the preferred provider for other schools within Equals Trust, and we are confident that their service will offer our pupils a high-quality, nutritious, and enjoyable meal experience.
We believe this change will positively impact our pupils and are excited to work with Taylor Shaw moving forward. More details about the new menu and meal arrangements will be shared closer to the transition date.
Thank you for your continued support!
A reminder to regularly visit the Community Leaflets page on our school website which we update as
and when we receive new flyers. Please <u>click here</u> to visit the page.
The Spring 2025 newsletter from the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) has been added today for parents to read.
PTA Update
Here we are at the end of another term and we have one last event before we finish which is 'Break The Rules Day' this coming Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April.
Here is the link below of how to make a donation and the details of which rules your child would like to pick from.
https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/rha-btr-april25?utm_medium=CA&utm_source=CL
Air con: With all your help and support we have been lucky to raise enough money to add air con to two of the largest upstairs classrooms so a huge thank you for your support! I hear that the systems are already in use and will be very helpful as a shared resource as the weather warms up.
<b>Disco's:</b> From the level of enthusiasm I would say the discos were a great success again this year and I am sure will be back again. Thank you to all those that were able to attend and the parents who helped - we couldn't have done them all without you.
<b>Fun Run:</b> The fun run is our first event back after the Easter break and is on <b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b> - this event takes place in school time so all children get to be involved and we have the inflatables booked in again already.
Up and coming events: We have more family events coming up in June & July and we will put these details on the next bulletin after Easter when details and dates are confirmed. We will also update you on our social media pages and WhatsApp groups.
<b>Preloved Uniform:</b> We are making a change to when we put the uniform out. The rails will now be out on the first and last
week of every term on:

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	You can also email in any of your uniform requests and we will get back to you. Just let the team know the details i.e.: age/colour/type of clothing you are looking such as dress/trousers etc. This will hopefully help those of you who aren't available on the above days to still access the preloved shop. (email rhacommittee@gmail.com)
	You can keep up to date with all our news using the following links:
	Our Facebook page link is: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1426534711004482/?ref=share_group_link
	Our instagram page link is: https://www.instagram.com/round_hillschoolpta/profilecard/?igsh=bGRvYXdvMGdxcms4
	Have a lovely break everyone Helen & PTA Team