



'Dream, believe, achieve together'

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| A Message from Mr Nash | <p>As we wrap up the year, I'd like to end my final communication with a heartfelt thank you to all the children, parents and supporters of Round Hill Primary School. It has truly been a fantastic term and an incredible year, filled with so many exciting activities across the school.</p> <p>Our staff are justifiably proud of what we've achieved, but none of this would have been possible without your ongoing support and encouragement. For that, we are deeply grateful.</p> <p>Thank you to each and every one of you.</p> |
| Spring Term 2026 | <p>The last day of term is this Friday 19th December 2025.</p> <p>On Monday 5th January, the Staff team will be having an INSET Day (In-service Training) on one of our school priorities. School re-opens to all pupils on Tuesday 6th January 2026.</p> |
| CRITICAL READ Hot Topic for E-Safety | <p>This week, more than one million Australian kids have been released from an experiment they never chose. In a world-first move, Australia has raised the minimum age for social media to 16 – and deactivated underage accounts.</p> <p>A whole generation has been protected from platforms that profit from their stress, their sleep and their self-worth. It will not fix everything, but it gives young people a few more crucial years free from addictive, profit-driven platforms – and shows Big Tech is not above the law.</p> <p>It may prove to be one of the most consequential public health interventions of this generation.</p> <p>Australia has a proud history of leading where others eventually follow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ First seatbelt laws (1970)▶ First plain cigarette packaging (2011)▶ Now the first nation to draw a hard line on social media for teens <p>Other countries are already moving too: Denmark → raising to 15, Norway → raising to 15, Malaysia → raising to 16, Spain → raising to 16 to name but a few.</p> <p>Two weeks ago, the European Parliament passed a resolution urging member states to raise the minimum age on social media platforms to 16. Indonesia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea are shaping draft laws too.</p> <p>A global rethink is under way. 75% of UK adults back it and 67% of 16-29-year-olds do – the very ones who grew up inside the experiment are warning us not to repeat it.</p> <p>If you want to get involved and find out more then click here and sign up to the Smart Phone Free Childhood and help protect the pupils of Round Hill.</p> |
| Attendance During the Autumn Term | <p>You can easily access your child's attendance record at any time by logging into the Arbor Parent Portal. If you need any guidance where to find this on Arbor, please click on the following link: Attendance on the Parent Portal and Parent App</p> <p>We will be in touch with parents/carers in January if your child's attendance for the Autumn Term is a cause for concern.</p> |
| Exceptional Leave of Absence and Absence Reporting | <p>The Attendance Section of the school website, makes it clear how to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Report Daily Absences and Medical Appointments2. Request Exceptional Leave of Absence |

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| | <p>Please read this page on the school website for further information.</p> |
| Diary Dates and Reminders | <p>Important - We rely on parents checking the School Calendar regularly as we do not send out letters / emails for every event that takes place in school. You will find some reminders in this Bulletin but please check the school calendar for all dates.</p> <p>School Calendar – Diary dates for the Spring Term 2025-26 can be found on the school calendar. The dates for the rest of the year will be added to over the coming weeks. We very rarely change dates once we have added them to the School Calendar, however if we do change dates, we will always let parents know.</p> |
| Reminder Annual Questionnaire 2025-26 | <p>A reminder that as part of continued feedback, our Annual Questionnaire 2025-26 is live again and the deadline has been extended to this Friday 19th December 2025. This is part of our ongoing 'School Development' work. Note: If you are not sure of an answer, it can be left blank.</p> <p>This year, we are keen to gather your thoughts on the new class structures, particularly the transition to single-age classes and how these changes have impacted your child. Please feel free to include your feedback in response to Question 18.</p> |
| Clay Creators - After School Club | <p>We are pleased to let you know that Clay Creators will once again be running their after school clay club for children in Years 1-6. The club will start on Monday 12th January 2026 straight after school until 4.35 p.m. and will run for 5 weeks. Please click on the below link to find more information and how to book a space for your child.</p> <p>Clay Creators – How to Book</p> |
| Reading For Pleasure | <p>It is time for The Winter Mini Reading Challenge! Why not challenge your friends and family to complete it over the holidays?</p> <p>Taking part is simple: Read three or more books between 1st December and 20th February 2026 and add them to your profile. You can find information on how to join below About-the-challenge Winter Mini Reading Challenge</p> <p>Reaching your reading goal will unlock a limited-edition online badge and certificate of achievement to print off and treasure! Plus, once you complete the Winter Mini Challenge you will be entered into a <i>PRIZE DRAW</i> to win amazing books!</p> <p>Enjoy the challenge and don't forget to write down your favourite titles ready to share in Book Club!</p> |
| KS2 Tuck Shop | <p>After the Christmas holidays, we will no longer be having a tuck shop at break times for children in Year 3 to Year 6. Due to lack of demand, we are asking for pupils to bring in a healthy snack from home. Please note that children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 will still receive a piece of fruit each day.</p> |
| Road Safety | <p>We've recently been made aware of an incident involving a vehicle driving on the pavement near school at pick-up time. Please remain vigilant when walking to and from school.</p> <p>If you witness any dangerous driving or parking near the school, please report it to the school office as soon as possible. If you are able to safely note details such as the vehicle make, colour, and registration, this information can help us take appropriate action and share concerns with the relevant authorities.</p> <p>Thank you for helping us keep our children and families safe.</p> |
| Deadline to Apply for Primary School Place – Thursday 15th January 2026 | <p>If you have a child due to start school in September 2026, a reminder that the deadline to apply for their school place is Thursday 15th January 2026. Please remind anyone you know with a child of this age. Full details can be found on the School Admissions page on the Nottinghamshire County Council website.</p> |

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| Poppy Appeal | Thank you to everyone for supporting the Poppy appeal in school in November. We are still waiting to hear from The Royal British Legion as to how much money we raised. Thank you as well to our Year 5/6 children who sold the poppies and collected the donations. |
| Children in Need | Thank you also for supporting our fundraising for Children in Need in November. We raised £297.64 for this fantastic cause. |
| Thank you - Food Bank Collection | Thank you to everyone who contributed to our foodbank collection in school recently, where we once again supported the Broxtowe Community Foodbank. |
| PTA Update | |
| | <p>Well that was a busy term! We want to say thank you for all your support.</p> <p>AGM: Thank you to the parents who managed to make the AGM, Mark Wakeling our Chair has stepped down this year and we wanted to say a special thank you for all his time and effort he has put in over the years. We wouldn't have had a committee if he hadn't have stepped in all those years ago, so we are very grateful.</p> <p>We welcome Hannah Phipps as our new chair, Hannah has been helping behind the scenes for a long time, so knows the ropes well already! Katy and I have stayed on as treasurer and secretary.</p> <p>Break the Rules: First of all we had break the rules day where we raised £908 which is an amazing amount.</p> <p>Christmas card designs: The Christmas card designs were very popular this year and we had 358 orders - which is more than previous years thank you, we will know the amount we raised in the new year. Thank you to Charlie for organising this again for us this year.</p> <p>Wreath making evening: We had the wreath making evening which was a lovely fun evening and this raised £659, thank you to everyone who came.</p> <p>Christmas Fair: Then the Christmas fair! A huge shout out to the year 6's they did a great job and have raised a great amount towards paying for their hoodies and end of year treat, well done all of you.</p> <p>The PTA raised £1362 from the fair with your help. Thank you to Mr Nash for giving up his Saturday and for all the parent volunteers, it really helped to make the fair run smoothly this year.</p> <p>With the money raised above we have been able to help with paying towards the storage in the large playground for PE equipment and we have put money towards the year 6 residential coach.</p> <p>We do have ways you can raise money at no extra cost to yourselves and some of you have really helped with this already by buying labels from Stikins and joining easy funding. We have raised over £170 through this way of funding thank you.</p> <p>If you still have a spot of online shopping to do you can join easy funding using this link and you just shop all your usual brands through their website, here is the link:</p> <p>Easyfundraising</p> <p>Also if you need any labels, you can follow this link to order and use our school code: 17133</p> <p>Stikins</p> |

Preloved uniform:

We will be back in the new year and we will have the rails out at the start and end of the term. Thank you to all those who donated towards the Christmas jumper swap. You can still email in any uniform requests via - rhacommittee@gmail.com

Family Quiz night:

And the last request from us is to save the date for Saturday 31st January for our family Quiz night... we will have more children's questions and perhaps a music round this year. I will be in touch with details of how to book in the new year.

Have a lovely festive break everyone!

Helen & The PTA Team