



NEWSLETTER

Friday 29th September 2023



School Lunches

Week commencing Monday 2nd October, we will be on **WEEK 2** of the menu. The full menu can be found on our website.

Monday: Chicken Sausage, cheddar and baked bean pie, mashed potato served with green beans and peas.

Tuesday: Chicken in tomato sauce with pasta and corn in the cob.

Wednesday: Roast turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

Thursday: Beef chilli with rice & tortilla chips.

Friday: Jumbo fish finger, chips and baked beans.

There is also freshly baked bread and the salad bar available every day. Enjoy!

Bluecoat Bentinck Academy

We're delighted to have now welcomed a new primary school into our Archway family! Bluecoat Bentinck Primary Academy (previously Bentinck Primary School in Hyson Green) officially joined Archway Learning Trust on the 1st September. Having a second primary academy nearby gives us a wonderful opportunity for collaboration and learning from one another. Bluecoat Bentinck shares many similarities with us at BPA and we are looking forward to working in partnership with them. You can learn more about Bluecoat Bentinck here: www.bluecoatbentinck.co.uk



Bluecoat Bentinck Primary Academy

Founders Day Service Rescheduled

Our Founders Day service has been rescheduled to Tuesday 17th October at 9am. This is an opportunity for some of our older children (Y3) to officially welcome our newest joiners to the Bluecoat Family. The service is held in our school hall and lasts for about 25 minutes. Parents of children in Peacocks and Flamingos are welcomed to attend. All children in F2 will be gifted a book of Bible stories to take home. If your child is currently in Year 1 or 2 and joined the school after November last year they will not have received a copy of the Bible stories. If this applies to you and you would like your child to be involved in the service and receive a copy of the Bible stories, please contact the school office by Friday 6th October.

Jeans for Genes

A huge thank you to the BPA family.....we raised **£202.65** on Jeans for Genes day which will help provide support to families affected by genetic conditions. The children were so open and engaged with learning about different genetic conditions. Thank you!



Flu vaccine

<https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/e3d22db8>

Our flu vaccination session, will take place on 28th November 2023 for children in Reception up to and including Year 6 (Not Nursery children). Please use link above to give consent by on **9th October 2023**.



Exit from the gates

Please could we ask parents to make a swift exit out of the gates after drop off in the morning. We have noticed some parents staying behind, on wet mornings parents are gathering in the shelter. Site Team need to lock the site to ensure we are a secure site as soon as possible.

Appointments

If you need to collect your child early for an appointment please ensure you give the office at least 30 minutes notice of your arrival. This will allow time for us to collect your child, especially if they are outside doing PE or having playtime. If we do not receive notice please be prepared to wait and we shall collect your child as soon as we are able.

Toilet

We are still having large numbers of parents / children asking to use the toilet located near the school office. Please be aware this toilet is now closed and you will be refused access. We do not have a public toilet on site.

Reminders

Some dates for your diary:

- **Thursday 5th October** – National Poetry Day
- **Thursday 5th October** – Emus Library Visit
- **Friday 6th October** – Individual & Sibling Photographs
- **Friday 6th October** – World Dyslexia Awareness Day
- **Thursday 12th October** – Kiwis Library Visit
- **Tuesday 17th October** – Founders Day service 9am
- **Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th October** – Parents' Evening
- **Thursday 19th October** – Toucans Library Visit
- **Monday 23rd October** – Half Term return to school on **Tuesday 7th November**
- **Monday 6th November** – INSET DAY
- **Thursday 9th November** – Parrots Library Visit
- **Thursday 16th November** – Owls & Eagles Library Visit
- **Friday 17th November** – Children In Need
- **Monday 20th November** – Odd Socks Day
- **Thursday 23rd November** – Hummingbirds & Kingfisher Library Visit
- **Tuesday 28th November** – Flu Immunisations (Reception – Year 6)
- **Thursday 30th November** – Penguins & Puffins Library Visit

- **Thursday 7th December** - Flamingos & Peacocks Library Visit
- **Friday 15th December** – Autumn Term Project Showcase
- **Monday 18th December** – Year 3 & 4 Christingle (St Margarets Church)
- **Monday 18th December** – Key Stage 1 Nativity 2.15pm
- **Tuesday 19th December** – Year 5/6 Christmas Carols at (St Margarets Church) 2-3pm
- **Tuesday 19th December** - Key Stage 1 Nativity 9am
- **Wednesday 20th December** - EYFS Christmas Performance – 2.30pm
- **Thursday 21st December** – Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
- **Friday 22nd December** – Headteachers Award & Classroom Christmas Parties



This week in school...

The Nest children have been reading a story called 'You be You' which celebrates everyone being special and unique. As part of their Art lesson the children painted rocks to represent the characters in the story which are fish.

Nursery have been exploring number through counting songs. This week's song has been Five Little Ducks. They have been learning to show numbers on their fingers.

Reception our topic is 'Marvellous Me.' Lots of the children have bought in special 'All About Me' shoeboxes, to share with their class. They have been brave and confident to show and tell each other all about their favourite things and special people in their lives. We have really enjoyed hearing all about our children and thank you to everyone for all the hard work you have put into the boxes!

Year 1 Year 1 have been learning about deciduous and evergreen trees in forest school. The children looked at leaves from the Horse Chestnut Tree and Oak tree and compared the difference. The children then compared the leaves from a deciduous and evergreen tree.

Year 2 have explored different materials and grouped them by different properties in Science. This is the start of their unit on materials where they will answer the key question 'What is the best material for a rain coat?'

Year 3 have been developing their understanding of subtraction today by using Base 10 to subtract 1s from a 3-digit number. They even used a new method - exchanging!

Year 4 have been learning all about the layers of the rainforest!

Year 5 /6 Football Team had their first match! They did the school proud with their sportsmanship and winning their first game. All staff that attended had a blast! Well done Team!!!

Year 6 On Tuesday, school councillors took part in our very first trip to Primary Parliament. When they got there, the children found out about different projects within Nottingham and the roles different people play in developing them. They were then tasked with creating their own ideal urban community area and present their ideas to the Sherriff of Nottingham!