



## We LEARN with PRIDE

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### Newsletter – 28/3/25

And that's that! The Easter Holidays are here. It's been a reasonably short, but incredibly full term. Parents' Evenings, assessments, football matches, rock concerts, readathons, film nights... just loads and loads of brilliant stuff. Don't worry, though, there's even more planned for when we come back after Easter and some really exciting things in the diary so we can head towards the end of the year and end it with a bang! Just the small matter of some SATs tests, first... sorry Year 6!

### Key Dates

As always, some key dates to look out for:

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April** – Break up for Easter

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April** – Return to school for Summer Term

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** – Y4 Attenborough Nature Reserve Trip

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May** – SATs Week begins for Year 6

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 3 – Shakespeare Hub Day

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – Multiplication Screening Check for Y4

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June** – Nottingham Shakespeare Festival at Nottingham Playhouse (selected pupils)

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Class Photos (Uniform please!)

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June** – Potential Date for Sports Day. TBC

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July** – Cresswell Craggs Trip – Y3

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Transition Day for Y2/3 from Phoenix

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July** – INSET DAY

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 6 Production

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 3/4 Talent Show

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July** – Year 5/6 Talent Show

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Potential Year 6 Prom Date. TBC

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July** – Break up for Summer Holidays

### Football success!

The blue army just keeps on marching on! No photos to share this week, but a quick mention for the boy's football team who won away at Netherfield Primary on Monday. A 10-1 win is impressive... but as Mr. Foster told me, there's still room for improvement with a clean sheet next time!

### RSHE Assembly – Class 4





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### Let's get ready to rock!

This morning, we were treated to an amazing rock concert from some of our pupils taking part in our Rock Steady intervention. Rock Steady gives children the opportunity to learn to play different instruments such as the guitar, drums and keyboards and provides children with vital opportunities to perform in front of others. Having the courage to perform and sing in front of people is an amazing skill to learn. The children performed amazingly well... Mr. Cross not so much!



### Spare Stuff!!!

Over the next few months, we are looking to develop our outdoor areas by providing different types of opportunity for play. We are currently looking for:

- Pallets
- Kitchen appliances (not functional/working) e.g. microwaves, ovens, washing machines etc.
- Metallic pans/colanders etc.
- Metallic kitchen utensils
- Crates and boxes (plastic or wooden)
- Cut logs (with a diameter of at least 30cm)
- Wooden planks (At least 15 cm in width and 1m in length)
- Tyres
- Tarpaulin – of a decent size to build dens/shelters.

If you're not sure if we need it, please get in touch with your child's class teacher or the school office.

### Important Notice to Parents: YouTube Account Safety for Children

[Parents Guide to YouTube | The Dangers and YouTube Safety Tips](#)

### [CEOP Safety Centre](#)

We want to bring your attention to an important matter regarding children's use of YouTube. As more children between the ages of 7 and 11 are opening YouTube accounts, it's essential to be aware of the potential risks they may face online.

While YouTube can be a valuable educational and entertainment platform, it also exposes users, especially younger ones, to inappropriate content, harmful comments, and interactions with online predators.

Unfortunately, despite YouTube's efforts to filter and moderate content, the platform is not always fully equipped to protect young children from these dangers.

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Nottinghamshire County Council and CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) outline these risks:

- **Exploitation Risk:** Children may encounter harmful individuals trying to engage with them through comments or messages. Please make sure accounts are private and comments are turned off. People are skilled at manipulating young Youtubers and looking for signs of information or vulnerability.
- **Inappropriate Content:** Videos and advertisements may not always be age-appropriate, and some content can be disturbing or unsuitable for young viewers.
- **Harmful Comments:** Comment sections can contain negative or even harmful messages, affecting your child's emotional well-being.

**What You Can Do:**

1. **Supervise your child's online activity.** Regularly check their YouTube account, watch the videos they've been viewing, and monitor the content they interact with.
2. **Use parental controls.** YouTube offers a "Restricted Mode" to help filter out inappropriate content. Additionally, consider using YouTube Kids, which provides a safer, more controlled environment.
3. **Talk to your child.** Have open conversations about the potential dangers of online platforms and the importance of reporting anything that makes them feel uncomfortable.
4. **Turn off comments.** If your child is creating content, you can disable comments on their videos to reduce the risk of harmful interactions.
5. **Make their account private.** Make sure their followers be friends and family - who they know in the real world.

By staying involved and utilizing available tools, you can help ensure your child's safety while they enjoy the many benefits of YouTube.

Thank you for taking the time to read this important message. Your proactive involvement is crucial to creating a safer online environment for your child.

**Picking up from school:**

This is a polite reminder for parents in Year 3 and 4. Please ensure that you have informed the adult dismissing your child's class that you have taken your child before leaving the school site. This is to ensure that all pupils leave the school site safely.

Have a joyful and restful Easter break. Stay safe.

Mr. Cross



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# Lowdham Horticultural Society **SPRING SHOW**

**Sunday 6th April**  
**1 pm to 3.30 pm**



**Lowdham Village Hall**



**£1.50 adults/under16s free**

**Artwork & Floral displays by  
Lowdham Painting for Pleasure Group  
and Lowdham Flower Guild**



**Free Children's  
Activities**

**Stalls & Refreshments**

**Raffle**

**Classes for Spring Flowers, Shrubs,  
Pot Plants, Floral Art  
and Young People**



**For more information  
and a schedule  
visit**



**[www.lowdhamhortsoc.org.uk](http://www.lowdhamhortsoc.org.uk)**



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## Lowdham Horticultural Society Spring Show

**Are you aged 16 and under? Have a go and enter our classes for Young People**

**Bring your entries to Lowdham Village Hall on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April  
from 9.30 – 11.30am  
Judging at 11.45am Prize for every entry**

<b>5 Years and Under</b>		
 <p><b>Cress grown in a novelty container</b></p>	 <p><b>3 Decorated Digestive Biscuits</b></p>	 <p><b>A Paper Plate Animal</b></p>
<b>6-11 years</b>		
 <p><b>A Decorated Easter Bonnet</b></p>	 <p><b>3 Rice Crispie Nests</b></p>	 <p><b>A Miniature Spring Garden in a seed tray</b></p>
<b>12-16 years</b>		
 <p><b>A Bug Hotel</b></p>	 <p><b>5 Spring Decorated Homemade Cup Cakes</b></p>	 <p><b>A Spring Flower Arrangement in a Teacup</b></p>

**Also - Don't forget your pot of 'Quail' Daffodils you planted at our Autumn Festival**



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# ‘Theatre Kids Workshop’

## Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

with Ms Key

### 10.00 - 2.00pm

**\*Children to bring own packed lunch and water bottle.**

@ Phoenix Infant and Nursery School

**For all children in Yr 1 – Yr 6**

**£20.00**

★ Drama ★ Dance ★ Singing ★



★ Songs from Musicals ★  
★ Drama and acting games ★  
★ Dance routines ★

To book, email [charissakey@gmail.com](mailto:charissakey@gmail.com)