

Dates for your Diary

- **Thursday 18th December** - Brushfield Christmas Party
- **Friday 19th December** - Last Day of Term
- **Monday 5th January** - Back to School
- **Monday 5th January** - Year 4 WOW day with Severn Trent Water
- **Tuesday 13th January** - Year 2 Parents Reading Meeting, 9 - 9.30am
- **Thursday 22nd January** - Year 3 Anglo Saxon Workshop
- **Tuesday 27th January** - Nursery Parents Play Workshop, 9 - 9.30am
- **Thursday 29th January** - Year 5 RE Day
- **Thursday 12th February** - F2 Stay & Play, 9-10am
- **Thursday 12th February** - Year 4 Police Presentation
- **Thursday 12th February** - Last Day before Half-Term
- **Friday 13th February** - INSET Day
- **Monday 16th February** - Half-Term
- **Monday 23rd February** - Back to School



December 2025

Jolly Jumper Day

Thank you for your donations on Jolly Jumper Day. We raised a fabulous **£362.80** for the school fund.



All the children enjoyed the day and looked fantastic in their brightly coloured jumpers.



PSHE - Spring 1

The topic for PSHE next half-term will be Careers, Financial Capabilities and Economic Wellbeing. Each year group will focus on different topics such as:

- Y1 - My money
- Y2 - Making sense of money
- Y3 - Saving, spending and budgeting
- Y4 - Money management
- Y5 - Borrowing and earning money
- Y6 - Being financially responsible

Please visit the [school website](#) for more information.

INSET Day Reminder - We have an INSET Day on Friday 13th February

Christingle Service Wednesday 10th December



Thank you to all the children, staff and Singing Jane who helped make this year's Christingle service such a success. There were wonderful performances from both our school choirs.

Thank you to St Stephen's Church for welcoming us.

Christmas Show Photos/Videos

With our Christmas Shows coming up this week and next. Please can we remind parents that any photos or videos taken at the Christmas shows are for personal use only.

These photos/videos should not be uploaded to social media sites without permission from the parents of the children featured.

For more information visit the school website at:

berridgeprimary.com

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Complete the Child Friendly Nottingham Survey - We're raising our students' voices!

Our school is taking part in Child Friendly Nottingham's citywide survey. Students aged 7–18 can share their ideas about what growing up and living in Nottingham is like for children and young people.

The top 3 schools with the most responses will each win £100 to treat their students, so every response counts!



Follow this link or use the QR code to read more and complete the survey

[Children and Young People's Survey - Nottingham - A Child Friendly City](#)



After-School Club Collection Times

School has organised a number of after school clubs this term; from sport, art and music to dance activities for the children to enjoy. It is important that you are aware of the club's finish time so you can arrange to collect your child on time.

There is an increasing number of children who are collected late from these clubs. This is having an impact on staff workload and means staff are having to stay over their paid hours. Please ensure you arrive in time to collect your child. Most clubs finish at either 4pm or 4.15pm. Please check with the school office if you are unsure.

Library Visits KS2

Mr Ebling has arranged for all of KS2 to attend the local library, whilst they were there they could all take out a library book which they could then keep in school. We will be hopefully doing this every term.



The children also spent time looking at the books and the different genres they had.

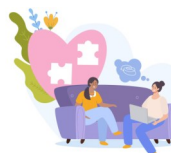


Mental Health Support Young Minds and NottAlone

Young Minds and NottAlone are organisations that help support children, young people, parents and professionals with managing mental health challenges with children and young people. These websites have resources and advice available to help support any needs parents may have. There are also contact details on the websites for you to use if you require further support.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's mental health and wellbeing, please speak to Mrs Lewis-Gordon who can provide advice.

NottAlone : [Mental Health Support | NottAlone - Services For Teachers](#)



Youngminds: [YoungMinds | Mental Health Charity For Children And Young People | YoungMinds](#)

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Autumn Term 2025/2026



Class Attendance Percentages - Celebrating Great Attendance

Every Friday the class with the best weekly attendance is announced to a loud cheer in assembly, this happens every week at both the Brushfield and Bobbers Mill Sites.

The tables below show the attendance percentages for both sites over the last 4 weeks.

Well done to all the classes who have achieved high attendance.



Bobbers Mill	Percentage Present
Sycamore	95.7%
Willow	94.3%
Holly	94.0%
Chestnut	94.0%
Larch	92.4%
Birch	91.9%
Hazel	91.1%
Ash	90.4%
Oak	89.4%

Brushfield	Percentage Present
Pine	98.2%
Hawthorn	98.2%
Elder	97.4%
Lime	97.1%
Elm	97.0%
Maple	96.2%
Cedar	94.9%
Aspen	94.1%
Beech	93.5%
Rowan	91.7%
Whitebeam	91.4%
Yew	90.2%



NHS - IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrcs.de/minfex>.

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are [NHS guidelines](#) for schools that say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't.

If you do decide to keep your child at home, it's important to inform the school office. This can be done by phone, voicemail, email or sending us an in-app message via Arbor. Please can we remind parents to inform the school office on each day of absence to keep us updated on your child's condition.

If your child is well enough to come to school but needs medicine during the day, school is able to administer medications with your consent. Please fill in the Medicine Administration form at the school office

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

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Focus Page - Year 4



Year 4 have been very busy recently, they have been learning about the Ancient Greeks and the influence they have had to today's society. This can be seen when looking at architecture from 2 thousand years ago to the buildings we see around Nottingham today such as columns, friezes and pediments. Using our knowledge of Greek architecture, we created models based on our own designs of the Parthenon.



Over the last few weeks we have been lucky to have our local PCSO Lucy and a number of university students coming in to speak to us about the criminal justice system. We discussed who they are and gave the children a questionnaire to gather their perspectives of the Police.



At the end of November, we had the amazing opportunity to meet Swapna Haddow, author of the fantastic books *Dave Pigeon* and *Bad Panda*.

She gave us some brilliant tips on how to start story writing in a writer's workshop, and then answered all our questions about how to become an author.

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