



St Hardulph's C of E Primary School

School Newsletter



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May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.
Ephesians 3:17

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Headteacher's Treat

Owlets: Sophie

Pangolins: James P

Beavers: Lilly M

Headteacher's Awards

This week have been awarded to:

Lily A Meghan James P
Roman Flynn Lee

Silver Medal

Zane

Reminders for next week :

Monday Owlets & Beavers PE

Tuesday Forest School see schedule on the last page below the calendar - Now Owlets & Beavers (Block 4)

Wednesday PE - All Classes

Y3/4 Dodgeball for specific children - St Botolph's Schl.

Friday Swimming - Pangolins & Beavers

If your child needs to wear goggles, we require parental permission - follow the link below and complete the electronic form. **Also, please ensure that payment has been made by Wednesday.**

[**Permission for the use of goggles on school swims - Spring Term 2026 – Fill in form**](#)

Number Day

We are excited to let you know that we will be celebrating Number Day at school on Friday 6th February, along with the other schools in the BeSkilled Trust.



On this day, children are invited to dress up in something that includes numbers. This could be clothing with numbers on, a sports shirt, a homemade number outfit, or even accessories featuring numbers. We kindly suggest a £1 donation, which will be used to raise money for the NSPCC, supporting their important work helping to keep children safe.

Throughout the day, the children will be taking part in a range of fun and engaging maths activities, designed to celebrate numbers and promote enjoyment and confidence in maths across the school. We will also take part in NSPCC Rocks on Times Table RockStars where we enter the competition to be the highest scoring school.

Thank you for your continued support. We are really looking forward to a fun-filled and number-packed day!

Class Showcase: Dates are now on the Diary (see last page)

Attendance

Our average attendance this year to date.

	<u>% attendance this year</u>
Owlets	97.3%
Pangolins	98.7%
Beavers	96.8%
Total	97.8%

Number of minutes lost this week due to children arriving late: 30

Payments Due

Who?

Where

Due before

Beavers/Pangolins	Swimming	28 January (NEXT WEDNESDAY)
Beavers/Pangolins	Swimming	23 February (certain children)
Whole School	Cathedral	2 March
Owlets	Butterfly Farm	2 March
Beavers/Pangolins	The Deep	3 March (Deposit total £75)
Beavers/Pangolins	The Deep	5 May (Instalments total £50)

REMEMBER TO CHECK THAT ALL OF NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL MEALS HAVE BEEN ORDERED & PAID FOR

Trips

We are very conscious that a number of trips have been publicised this week and that this may be a lot for some of our parents. If you are having difficulties with this, please contact the office or speak to Mrs Ellis in confidence.

Free School Meals (Pupil Premium)

Please see the information below on Free School Meals. We would encourage any parents who think they might be eligible to apply for Free School Meals as soon as possible. If your application is successful, we might also be able to support with help towards the cost of trips.

Free School Meals

Information on who can get free school meals and how to apply:

If your child isn't registered for Free School Meals and you receive any of the following benefits, your child may be able to get free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Currently all children entitled to free school meals will receive them until the end of the academic year 2025/26. This continues even if your income increases. This is called transitional protection.

From the start of the 2026/27 academic year, it is the Department for Education's intention that all protections will be discontinued, alongside an extension to the eligibility criteria for free school meals. From this point, households must meet the eligibility criteria to be entitled to free school meals.

To apply for Free School Meals please go to: [Apply online for free school meals](#) on the Leicestershire County Council website.

If your application is successful you need to let school know as school is not automatically notified.

School information can be provided in different languages, large print, simple text only or Braille. Please speak to Mrs Ellis or the Office if you have a particular requirement.



Diary Dates

2025/26	Who?	What
30/01	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers (all children) - Swimming
06/02	All	Numbers Day
06/02	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
10/02	All	Safer Internet Day
12/02	All	Valentines Theme Lunch
13/02	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
13/02	All	PTFA Break the Rules Day
16/02 to 20/02	All	Half Term Break
23/02	All	INSET Day - no children in school
27/02	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children + Gala practice
04/03	Owlets	Trip to Stratford Butterfly Farm
05/03	All	World Book Day
06/03	Beavers	Parents Showcase - 8:45am
06/03	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
12/03	All	Trip to Leicester Cathedral
13/03	All	Pangolins & Beavers - Swimming - Selected children only
13/03	All	Mothers' Day Service in church 2:15pm
18/03	All	Parents' Evening
20/03	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers (all children) - Swimming
26/03	All	Easter Themed Lunch
27/03	All	Easter Service in church 2:15pm
27/03	All	School Closes
30/03 to 10/04	All	Easter Break
13/04	All	School Opens
21/04	Owlets	Parents Showcase - 8:45am
22/04	All	Earth Day - Themed biscuits available with lunch
04/05	All	May Day Bank Holiday
11 to 14/05	Y6	SATS week
18&19/05	See text →	Pangolins & Beavers Trip to the Deep & other attractions, Hull
18 to 22/05	All	Safety Week
20/05	All	World Bee Day - Themed biscuits available with lunch
25/05 to 29/05	All	Half Term Break
01/06	All	Class Photos
08/06	All	World Ocean Day - Themed biscuits available with lunch
19/06	All	Fathers' Day Breakfast 8:00am
24/06	All	Sports Day
24/06	All	Sports Day Parent Lunch
29/06	Pangolins	Parents Showcase - 8:45am
06/07	Y6	Y6 Leaving Activity
09/07	All	Family Picnic 12:00
09/07	All	Final Celebration worship
09/07	All	School Closes for summer break

Forest School Schedule		
(Forest School kit needed)		
Block 4	Block 5	Block 6
26/01/26-13/03/26	16/3/26 - 15/5/26	18/5/26 - 10/7/26
Tuesdays Owlets & Beavers	Tuesdays Owlets & Pangolins	Tuesdays Owlets & Beavers

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