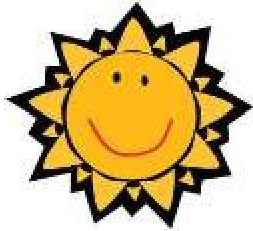
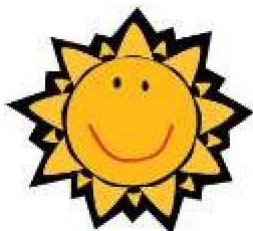


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ATTENDANCE. Currently at **94.2%** for the academic year so far! Still below the Ofsted expectation of 95%. Breakdown % by class since September 2022.

Class RA: 93.19	Class RB: 92.02	Class 1A: 94.00	Class 1B: 93.28	Class 2A: 95.04	Class 2B: 94.58	Class 3A: 94.06
Class 3B: 94.76	Class 4A: 94.65	Class 4B: 92.65	Class 5A: 95.86	Class 5B: 94.77	Class 6A: 94.84	Class 6B: 95.69

STAFFING UPDATE. We will be saying 'goodbye,' to our teaching assistant Kate Needham on the 12th June. She has worked at Cantrell for over four years and has been a valuable member of the Nursery team for the last two years. We wish her all the best after gaining promotion to work in a new setting.

DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL SITE. A requirement by Nottingham City Council. We ask you not to bring dogs onto the school premises for any reason, whilst they may be family pets, some children are frightened of them and dogs can also react to the large numbers of young children at the start and end of the school day. There is also a health and safety risk if dogs foul the play areas.

NUT ALLERGY. We are continuing to pursue the status of 'Nut Free school' This means we cannot have any peanut based products in lunch boxes, including peanut butter sandwiches, bags of peanuts and chocolate bars with nuts e.g. snickers etc. We appreciate that some items may contain traces of nuts and we will do all we can to avoid these, but to protect those in school with severe allergies we would appreciate your support on specific nut-based products not being brought into school.

MAKE-UP. We do not allow children to wear make-up, or false nails, in school, in any year group, the only exception is school performances and special occasions where the makeup will be specified.

YEAR 2 PARENTS SPECIAL ASSEMBLY INVITE – CHILDREN'S CURRICULUM CELEBRATION. A special assembly will take place on Friday 23rd June starting at 1:45pm. Parents and family members are invited to join us for this special event. If you could help with serving tea and coffee, then please approach the year 2 staff. This special assembly will be a great way for the children to demonstrate their learning and for parents to see all their hard work linked to the subjects they study. There are fun and games planned as well! Don't forget to bring along all your loose change!

CANTRELL'S RAFFLE AND CARNIVAL. RAFFLE TICKETS £1 A STRIP



Here are some suggestions for raffle prizes that The grand draw will take place after the Cantrell Carnival on Thursday 6th July.

We know that with everyone's support, we can raise some serious money for Cantrell. So, let's work together to make this event the best one yet. Mark your calendars and don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to have some fun, win a prize, and support your school.

As you know, we are organizing a raffle fundraiser to support theatre visits to Cantrell. Tickets will go on sale from Monday 19th June 2023.

BECOMING A CANTRELL CHAMPION VOLUNTEER. We are continuing to build our group of volunteers to help support different community activities, including the pop-up giveaways. Please speak to Nicola Curzon or Ralph Surman for more information and to offer help and support for the Cantrell Raffle and Carnival.

INTRODUCTION TO SHAKESPEARE. Next Half-term, EYFS will be introduced to A Midsummer Night's Dream and Key Stage 1 & 2 will focus on Twelfth Night. We continue to introduce our families to these two famous plays. Continued from last time. Eventually, Oberon lifts all the enchantments and puts the humans to sleep. Titania is horrified that she's been enamoured of an ass and is reconciled with Oberon. On waking, the lovers decide the night's events must have all been a dream. Lysander and Hermia are back to normal, and Demetrius admits he does love Helena after all. Bottom wakes up and recounts his 'strange dream'. The wedding of Theseus and Hippolyta becomes a triple celebration as the other human couples marry too. Quince and Bottom's troupe amuses the couples with their amateur performance of the play. As the couples retire, Oberon, Titania and the fairies perform a blessing, and Puck asks the audience to applaud if they enjoyed the performance.

CANTRELL'S READING CHALLENGE. Reading remains the school's top priority. We continue to encourage parents and children to develop their love of reading and understanding of why learning to read, and developing a love of reading, is important. The winning class with the highest percentage of children reading 4 times a week at home until **Monday 17th July**. The winning class will be invited with their parents to a prize afternoon on **Friday 21st July**. The prize will be announced soon. Here is how you can help:

- Encourage and listen to your child/children to read their reading book
- Share a story with your child/children, encouraging questions and discussion about what they are reading or the illustrations
- Here is the most important thing – sign your child's/children's reading diary (noting the book that they have read to you and include your signature) every time they read to you. It is important that children read to an adult, so reading to a brother or sister will unfortunately not be accepted. If the diary is not kept up-to-date, they will miss out on the opportunity to help their class win the Reading Challenge. Your child/children's class teacher will keep a record of how many times they read every week and they will check the diaries every Friday.

***** COMMUNITY NEWS *****

Nottingham Castle set to reopen on June 26. Nottingham Castle will reopen on Monday 26 June and will cost adults just £12 for entry as many times as they like in a year. Kids aged 15 and under will go free, making it an exceptionally good value family day out. It's going to be fantastic to have it back at the heart of our city's life. here's so much to see and do in the redeveloped site, including a new visitor centre and café, Hood's Hideout adventure playground, interpretative signage around the grounds to discover the lost medieval castle, along with galleries offering modern, interactive experiences. The new admission arrangements will include access to the whole site including Brewhouse Yard, reopening for the first time since redevelopment, with the exception of caves where an entry fee for guided tours will apply. The new admission arrangements will include access to the whole site except caves where an entry fee for guided tours will apply. Advance bookings are now available from www.nottinghamcastle.org.uk

Bulwell Bogs Boat Race.

Back by popular demand, we are very excited to be hosting once again another fun filled day with The Bulwell Bogs Boat Race. 8th July 2023 2-5pm.

Gather together your family, friends or colleagues and get designing and making your very own boat to sail down the bogs. Remember each boat must be made out of recycled material. No powered boats please. Make sure you Bring along your supporters for a day of family fun!

More details on this event will be out soon! In the meantime, happy building!



Bulwell Arts Festival. 1st July – 9th July 2023. We are delighted to welcome you all back this year as you continue your support in shaping the week-long Festival. Every year we are always blown away by our local creativity that fills our community. Each year we hope to have a wide range of activities that has something for everyone, but we can't do it without you. <https://bulwellartsfestival.com/>



