



**John Blow Primary School**  
**Weekly Bulletin Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

Thank you to all parents and carers who have attended our Family Update Evenings over the past few weeks. Your engagement and support play a key role in the strong partnership between home and school, which is so important in helping every child thrive.

This week, our Chair of Governors carried out an Anti-Bullying Week drop-in and spoke with groups of children from Years 3 and 6. It was wonderful to hear how clearly they could explain what bullying is, but even more importantly, how confidently they could describe what to do if they ever had any concerns. All of the children spoke positively about the role our mentoring programme plays in supporting pupils across the school — it's fantastic to see that the programme is having such a positive impact.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

If you haven't done so already, please complete our annual survey for parents and carers which we share following these update meetings.

<https://forms.office.com/e/vUzP2V8eLD>



**Children in Need 2025**

We will be hosting a non-school uniform day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November – please see the link below to donate directly to Children in Need (we will not be taking cash donations again this year).



<https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/>

## **Celebrating learning**

We regularly update our school website – please visit the class pages to see what the children have been up across the school.

Class pages link – <https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Class+Pages&pid=45>

Forest school link- <https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Forest+School+Provision&pid=149>

## **Highlight of the week**

Look at what the children have identified as the highlight of the week this week!

**EYFS** – “Singing on Pudsey Bear Day”

**Year 1** – “Play-Doh in the classroom and playtimes” – Ivy and Terry

**Year 2** – “Playing on the climbing wall on the playground” - Hallie

**Year 3** – “Pudsey Bear Day” - Josie

**Year 4** – “Mentoring” - Reuben

**Year 5** – “‘Throw it out the window’ song on Michael Rosen Day” – Beatrice and Lottie

**Year 6** – “PE – tag rugby” – Harry T

## **White Rose home learning**

These are the pages for home learning in the White Rose books this week – this will hopefully help to ensure that everyone is back on track with the correct pages – if your child has gone beyond these pages, please pause until it has been caught up by the planned progression – these books correlate with the maths learning in class so we don’t want the children going ahead of what they have been taught:

**Year 1** – pages 26-27 (Miss Ball has dated the pages up to Christmas)

**Year 2** – pages 20-22

**Year 3** – pages 26-28

**Year 4** – pages 26-29 (the children have written the date on this week’s focus)

**Year 5** – pages 27-28 (the children write the page numbers in their weekly reading folder)

**Year 6** – pages 27-28

## **Nativity Play**

Year 2 parents, please look out for your child’s script coming home today. Scripts need to be brought to school every day, and the team would be grateful if you could practice lines with your child.

## ***Key dates and upcoming events***

### **Autumn Term 2 – 2025-2026 Bulletin Dates**

#### **w/c Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Mentoring – What does fairness mean to you? How can we stand up for fairness and equality?

Music Journey Focus – Classical – Evelyn Glennie (Scotland)

Enrichment – Creativity Week, Just Write Day – BB to finalise plans.

BSL – Alphabet

#### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Healthy Lifestyles, KTB

#### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Creative Arts Week, BC

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Share a story, TS

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

- 8.30am – official opening of Bike Shelter, all welcome
- EYFS visit to Forest School

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

- Assembly – Above & Beyond, Creativity

**w/c Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

Mentoring – if kindness were a food, what would it taste like? How can small acts of kindness change someone's day?

Music Journey Focus – Classical, Tan Dun (China)

BSL – Alphabet

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Family & Community – What does it mean to be part of a community? KB

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Human Rights & Children's Rights, EH
- UKS2 Trip to Newstead Abbey

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Share a story, KTB

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

- Community Litter Pick (9.00am) – see poster below

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

- Assembly – Above & Beyond, being the best you can

**w/c Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

Mentoring – What is something you wish people understood better? How can we be better allies to each other?

Music Journey Focus – Classical, Reena Esmail (Indian-American)

BSL – Alphabet

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

- Assembly – Disability Value & Inclusion, BC

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

- Assembly – Languages & Communication, EM
- School Choir performing alongside Our Dementia Choir @ Newark YMCA

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

- Assembly – Share a story, KB
- 2.00pm – Choir performing @ William Bailey House

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – Above & Beyond
- 9.15am – EYFS & KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal

**w/c Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Mentoring – What makes you feel welcome and included? How can we make our school more inclusive for everyone?

Music Journey Focus – Classical, review of genre explored

BSL – review of all signs learnt

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – LGBTQ+ Families & Acceptance, BB
- 9.30am – EYFS Nativity @ All Saints Church
- An Inspired Christmas Concert @ Royal Concert Hall

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – Kindness & Community, CN
- 2.30pm – EYFS Nativity @ All Saints Church

- 5.00pm – KS1 Nativity Performance – Lights, Camel, Action!

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

- 9.00am – KS1 Nativity Performance – Lights, Camel, Action!

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

- Cinderella Pantomime (in school) – 1.30pm

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – Above & Beyond
- Whole School STEM Day, KB to finalise plans

**w/c Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Mentoring – What have you learned about empathy and inclusion? How have we change since September?

Music Journey Focus – Classical, review of genre explored

BSL – review of all signs learnt

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – Year end & Reflection, BC
- FOJBPS Christmas Fayre – 3.30pm – 6pm

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – Celebrating Diversity, TS

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

- Assembly – Share a story, EH

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

- 9.00am – Merit Assembly (invitation only)  
*FOJBP Class Parties*
- 10.30am – EYFS & KS1
- 1.30pm – LKS2
- 2.30pm – UKS2
- 3.30pm – break up for Christmas Holidays

# COMMUNITY LITTER PICK



THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup>  
NOVEMBER  
9AM-10AM



John Blow Primary School are collaborating with Collingham Parish Council to host a community litter pick. A great opportunity to embody our school value of “We keep our school attractive and safe” and have a positive impact on our local environment too!

All equipment will be provided; if you are able to take part, we will meet you in the school car park at 9am (children will need to come in and register first) - all children taking part **must** be accompanied by an adult.





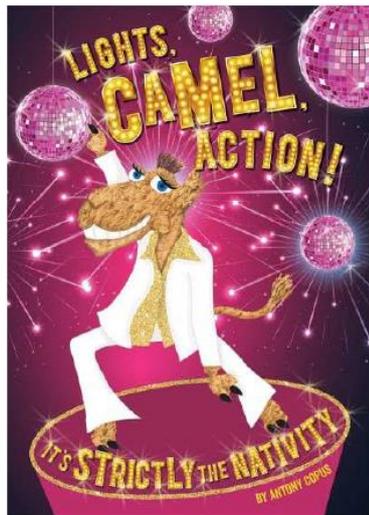
# JOHN BLOW PRIMARY SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES DECEMBER 2025



EYFS WILL BE PERFORMING "THE FIRST CHRISTMAS" AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 -  
9.30AM

TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 -  
2.30PM



KS1 (Y1 AND YEAR 2) WILL BE PERFORMING "LIGHTS, CAMEL, ACTION!" ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 -  
5.00PM

WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 -  
9.00AM





**JOHN BLOW PRIMARY  
SCHOOL CHOIR -  
FESTIVE PERIOD 2025**

DURING THE FESTIVE PERIOD, THE SCHOOL CHOIR WILL BE PERFORMING AT THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

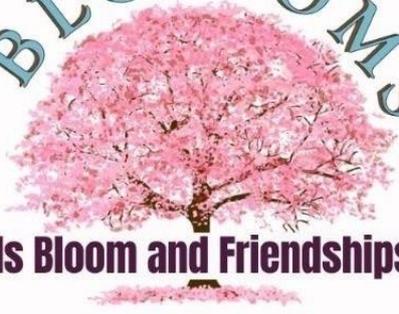
**OUR DEMENTIA CHOIR - TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER @ NEWARK YMCA**

**SINGING AT WILLIAM BAILEY HOUSE - WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER - 2PM**

**AN INSPIRED CHRISTMAS CONCERT - MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 @ THE ROYAL  
CONCERT HALL IN NOTTINGHAM**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF THESE EVENTS (THEY  
DO NOT HAVE TO ATTEND THE AFTERSCHOOL CHOIR), PLEASE CONTACT THE  
SCHOOL OFFICE!**

# BLOSSOMS



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Dive into fun with engaging arts and  
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creativity, confidence, and joy!

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aged 4-10, where they'll:

- Create ✓
- Learn ✓
- Make friends ✓
- Most of all - have FUN! ✓



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5.30-6.30pm

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Collingham NG23 7RA

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# Christmas Holiday Club



Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years, with funded places available for children in Reception to Year 6

We are running two days of Christmas parties on 22nd and 23rd December, which will include lots of festive activities, games, craft and a disco!



## RUNNING AT:

- Arnbrook Primary School, Arnold
- Banks Road Infant & Nursery School, Toton
- PERFORM Jesse Gray Primary School, West Bridgford
- Lovers' Lane Primary School, Newark
- Lantern Lane Primary School, East Leake
- St Edmund Campion Catholic Primary, West Bridgford
- St Peter's Academy, East Bridgford
- Westdale Junior School, Mapperley

**FREE** places available for children in receipt of benefit-related free school meals

To book a funded place visit [eequ.org/rattleandrollholidayclubs](http://eequ.org/rattleandrollholidayclubs)

## HOW TO BOOK:

Scan the QR code or visit our [website](#)



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