



John Blow Primary School
Weekly Bulletin – Friday 19th June 2026



Update to parents
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Thank You to Summit for the School

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone involved with **Summit for the School** for their incredible fundraising efforts in support of both John Blow Primary School and Collingham Preschool.

The commitment, determination and generosity shown throughout this challenge have been truly inspiring. We are immensely proud to be one of the beneficiaries of this fantastic community initiative and are extremely grateful for the support that has been shown to our school.

The funds raised will help us continue to provide enriching opportunities and experiences for our children, making a real difference to school life. It is wonderful to see our community coming together in this way, and we very much appreciate being recipients of such an outstanding achievement.

On behalf of all the children, staff and governors at John Blow Primary School, thank you for your support and generosity.

To find out more about the challenge or to donate, please visit the JustGiving page:
<https://www.justgiving.com/page/collingham>

Premier Education PE enrichment day – Tuesday 23rd June 2026

On Tuesday we are excited to be hosting a Premier Education PE day in school. To get into the spirit of the World Cup, we are inviting all children to come into school wearing their football kits or, if they prefer, red and white to show support for England. It promises to be a fun, active day for everyone. We are also asking for a voluntary donation of £2 per child to help fund the event. If you can contribute, please send cash into school with your child on the day.

Sporting success at JBPS

A great week of sport at JBPS! Our football team beat Thorpe on the Hill 7-0 on Tuesday night, and the rain didn't affect play for our cricket teams. The girls team qualified for the County finals of the softball festival after winning the tournament at Collingham Cricket Club on Wednesday. The boys team performed well and finished 3rd overall.

Water Bottles

As the weather continues to get warmer, please can we remind all children to bring a water bottle to school every day. Staying hydrated is essential for helping children to remain healthy, comfortable and ready to learn throughout the school day.

Please ensure that water bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name. This helps us to quickly identify bottles and return them to their owners if they are misplaced.

Helping Garden Birds During Nesting Season

As part of Collingham in Bloom, we are sharing the RSPB's latest advice on feeding garden birds during the nesting season. Between 1 May and 31 October, the RSPB recommends pausing the use of seed and peanut feeders to help reduce the spread of trichomonosis, a disease affecting species such as greenfinches and chaffinches.

Instead, you can continue to support local wildlife by offering small amounts of mealworms or suet, ensuring feeders are kept clean and food is eaten within a day or two. Planting bird-friendly flowers and shrubs can also provide valuable natural food sources for nesting birds and their chicks.

Find out more and read the full guidance from the RSPB: [What to feed garden birds in nesting season](#).

Photographs on the website...

Collingham in Bloom

<https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=164&gcatid=64&albumid=257>

Y6 transition event at Sherwood Pines –

<https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=151&gcatid=46&albumid=258>

Nottingham Open Tennis - <https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=46&gcatid=38&albumid=259>

Above and Beyond

Well done to this week's recipients:

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Louis M Jenson Edward Toby	Sienna Jack T Ivy Alex Autumn	Beauden Jak R	Max Grace Robin Amelia Ella (x2) Hugo Elsie Harry C Arlo T Indiana Robyn Eleanor	Greta Imogen Zachary	Lorena Reedus Eve Chase Lottie Alfie Freddie Iris H	Caitlin Lillian (x2) Billie Bella Jack O Ben Evie Jessica Izabella Pippa

Summer Reading Challenge 2026

Read to the Beat at Nottinghamshire Inspire Nottinghamshire Libraries 4 July- 6 September

Join the FREE Summer Reading Challenge and earn rewards for reading.

This year's theme is Read to the Beat, celebrating the joy of music and reading.

Flexible for all reading levels the Challenge is great opportunity for children to find the books they love. For children aged 4- 11 Summer Reading Challenge 2026: Read to the Beat at Nottinghamshire Inspire libraries 4 July – 6 September.

This summer Inspire libraries will be asking children find their reading rhythm in the Summer Reading Challenge 2026: Read to the Beat. Children select and complete six reading goals of their choice over the summer, collecting rewards along the way. Every child who completes the challenge will receive a certificate and medal.

Produced by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with libraries across the country the Summer Reading Challenge is a great opportunity for children to find books they love. They choose what they want to read – story books, information books, e-books, audio books, poetry, comic, joke books, and graphic novels, all reading counts –children set the tempo!

Read to the Beat is running in all Inspire libraries until Sunday 6 September, suitable for children aged 4 – 11. It's completely FREE to take part. Under 4s can take part in our mini challenge too. Find out more at www.inspireculture.org.uk/summerreadingchallenge

READ to the BEAT

Summer Reading Challenge 2026: Read to the Beat is at all Nottinghamshire Inspire Libraries
Saturday 4 July - Sunday 6 September

Step 1: Join the Challenge at the library*

Children receive

- Read to the Beat sticker booklet
- Bookmark
- Storytime Magazine



Step 2: Start Reading!

Borrow and read books from the library to complete reading goals. For every book read or goal reached there are stickers and character cards to collect.

Children choose their own reading goals and what books they want to read.



Step 3: Complete 6 reading goals

Children who complete 6 reading goals claim a medal and certificate.



It's FREE to join.

Materials outlined are available in Inspire Nottinghamshire Libraries.
Other authorities may vary

Foodbank Drive

The Lincolnshire Coop has organised a foodbank drive to support the Collingham Food Pantry at Collingham Lincolnshire Coop Foodstore on Friday 3rd July 10am-3pm.

This initiative aims to collect food donations to assist those in need within our community. The Collingham Food Pantry plays a crucial role in providing aid to vulnerable individuals and families, and this drive is intended to help bolster their efforts by gathering essential food supplies.

If you can make a non-perishable donation, please bring to school no later than drop-off on Thursday 2nd July.

It doesn't matter where the donations come from—perhaps there's something already in the cupboard at home not being used. We would just like to help the foodbank prepare for the summer months.



Collingham Food Pantry
Foodbank Drive

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YOUR LOCAL FOODBANK
NEEDS YOUR HELP

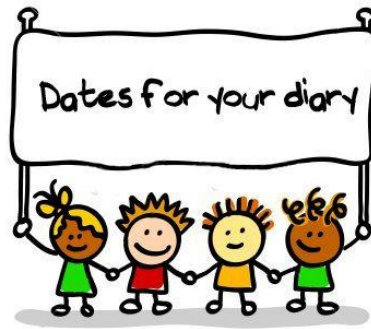
Together, we can support local families
facing hardship.

Date: Friday 3rd July 2026
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Location:
Collingham Foodstore
High St, Collingham, NG23 7LB

If you're able to donate, please pop along and
support your local foodbank if you can.

Every item donated can *make a real difference* ♥



Summer Term 2 – 2025-2026 Bulletin Dates

Friday 19th June

- Assembly – Above & Beyond

w/c Monday 22nd June

Mentoring – Starter: What would your perfect summer holiday look like? Discussion: What will you take with you from this year?

Music Journey – Artists and genres chosen by children

Monday 22nd June

- No assembly due to Haiku performance
- Haiku Performance (AM)

Tuesday 23rd June

- Premier Education – PE enrichment day – come into school in a PE kit / red and white (£2 donation optional to help fund the event)
- Assembly – What does it mean to be a great learner, BB
- ComputerXplorers Programming, Y1-Y6
- Y5 history visit

Wednesday 24th June

- Mentoring
- ComputerXplorers programming, Y1-Y6

Thursday 25th June

- Share a Story, CN

Friday 26th June

- Assembly – Above & Beyond

w/c Monday 29th June

Mentoring – Final Reflection, Starter: What are you proud of from this year? Discussion: What are your hopes and goals for the future?

Music Journey – Artists and genres chosen by children

Monday 29th June

- UKS2 play dress rehearsal
- 1.30pm – KS2 play

Tuesday 30th June

- 9.30am – KS2 play

Wednesday 1st July

- Mentoring
- EYFS & KS1 musical performance, invitation only (PM)
- Tuxford Academy Transition

Thursday 2nd July

- Share a Story, TS
- Collingham in Bloom judging
- Sir Robert Pattinson Academy Transition
- Tuxford Academy Transition

Friday 3rd July

- Assembly – Above & Beyond
- Sir Robert Pattinson Academy Transition
- Tuxford Academy Transition

w/c Monday 6th July

Mentoring – End of year mentoring group awards

Music Journey – Artists and genres chosen by children

Monday 6th July

- Assembly – Class Dojos, BC
- Twinlakes Class Dojo Reward Visit

Tuesday 7th July

- Assembly – World Chocolate Day, BB
- KS2 Wimbledon trip, invitation only

Wednesday 8th July

- Mentoring
- KS2 musical performance (PM)
- 3.30 – 4.30pm – Y6 Fund Raising Sale, further information to follow

Thursday 9th July

- Share a Story, BC

Friday 10th July

- Assembly – Above & Beyond
- 2.00 – 4.00pm – FOJB inflatables afternoon

w/c Monday 13th July

Music Journey – Artists and genres chosen by children

Monday 13th July

- Assembly – Summary of 2025-2026, BC
- Y1 trip to Sherwood Forest
- EYFS to Forest School w/Miss Rainey
- Twilight – Music curriculum

Tuesday 14th July

- Assembly – Reflecting and looking forward, BB
- Year 2 to Forest School w/Miss Hollingsworth

Wednesday 15th July

- Mentoring
- Year 1 to Forest School w/Miss Milner

Thursday 16th July

- Share a Story, KTB
- Year 5 to Forest School w/Mr Straw

Friday 17th July

- Assembly – Above & Beyond
- Year 4 to Forest School w/Mr Barnard

w/c Monday 20th July

Music Journey – Artists and genres chosen by children

Monday 20th July

- Assembly – Preparing to move on, BC
- Y6 Leavers' Trip (arrangements TBC)
- Whole school DT Day

Tuesday 21st July

- Assembly – A new school year, what to look forward to, TS
- Y3 to Forest School w/Mr Newberry

Wednesday 22nd July

- Mentoring

Thursday 23rd July

- 9.00 – Merit Assembly (invitation only)

Friday 24th July

- 9.00am – Assembly, Y6 Leavers
- Read with a relative morning
- 3.30pm – END OF TERM

Message from a Year 5 pupil

In a few weeks on the 11 July, James R and his bestie, Wardy, are taking on a Muddy Race For Life for Cancer Research UK.

Both of these lovely boys have people in their lives who have directly or indirectly lived through a cancer diagnosis.

Was it not for wonderful charities such as Cancer Research UK I have no doubt that James would not have met his adored Nanna. We are so grateful to Cancer Research UK for all the wonderful memories he has made with her and all the memory making moments yet to come ❤️

I don't think he fully appreciates quite how far 5k actually is yet, but he's determined to give it his best shot and have oodles of fun on the way!

I know times feel tight right now but if you're able to spare any pennies to support these boys, we'd be incredibly grateful.

Every donation helps Cancer Research UK continue its vital work and brings us closer to better treatments and more lives saved.

Thank you so much for any support you can give.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/rundle-wardys-muddy-race-for-life>

