

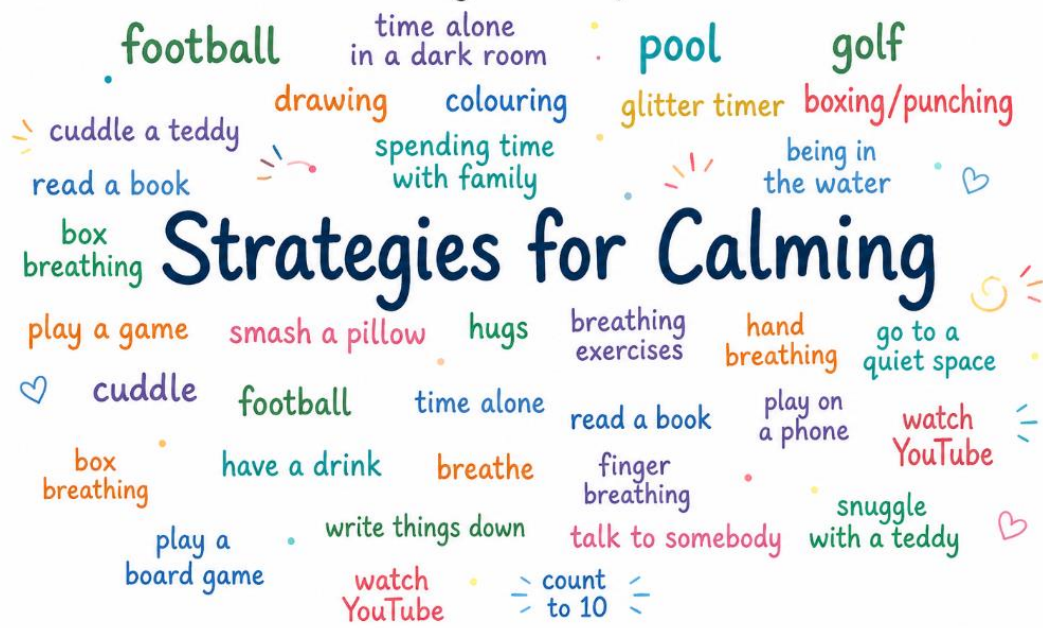


John Blow Primary School
Weekly Bulletin – Friday 26th June 2026



Update to parents
Friday 26th June 2026

In mentoring this week, we spoke about strategies to help us when we are feeling anxious prior to this.



Local History Visit

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the **Collingham and District Local History Society** for hosting a fascinating visit for our Y5 children this week. The Society promotes and preserves the rich heritage of Collingham and the surrounding area through its archives, research and educational activities.

During the visit, the children had the opportunity to handle and examine genuine artefacts discovered by local metal detectorists in and around Collingham. These included finds from the **Roman period**, the **English Civil War** and **Victorian times**. The children were fascinated to learn that many of these objects had been found in local gardens and fields.

The children also explored a range of **primary and secondary historical sources** linked to Collingham during the Second World War. This provided a valuable opportunity to develop their understanding of how historians use different types of evidence to learn about the past.

We are extremely grateful to the volunteers for sharing their knowledge, enthusiasm and remarkable collection with us. The visit brought local history to life and helped the children appreciate the rich heritage of their own community.

Parents who would like to find out more about the Society and its work can visit:

[Collingham and District Local History Society website](#)

The Society's History Centre houses local documents, photographs, maps and artefacts and is open regularly to the public.

Water Bottles (a reminder)

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.

Year 6 (a reminder)

Please send in photos from your child's first day of school and any Covid lockdown photos, as we don't have any from their time in Y1 due to the lockdown and it would be good to capture!

Photographs on the website...

Collingham in Bloom

Year 2 Herb Gardens

<https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=164&gcatid=64&albumid=261>

Fun on the field

<https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=46&gcatid=38&albumid=256>

Year 5 visit Collingham History Society

<https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=91&gcatid=45&albumid=262>

Ice water on the field – 25.06.26

Thank you to Mrs Dixon for delivering ice at lunchtime on Thursday 25th June 2026 – the children loved topping up their bottles!

<https://www.johnblowprimaryschool.co.uk/gallery/?pid=46&gcatid=38&albumid=263>

Above and Beyond

Well done to this week's recipients:

EYFS	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Lachlan Daisy P Ivy Sabrina Otis All of EYFS Miss Broadberry	Mark Zachary Caleb Allie Alessia	Penny Alfie	Ellis x 2 Myah Max	Dahlia Noah L Chloe Zachary	Edward H Florence Ronnie Eve	Izabella Ben

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 Food store 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

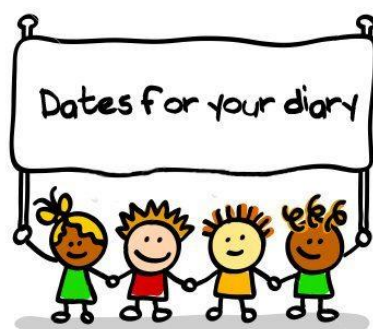
Together, we can support local families facing hardship.

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

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

- Assembly – Food Bank Appeal – BC
- 1.30pm – KS2 play

Tuesday 30th June

- 9.30am – KS2 play
- TS out at Girls Cricket Festival Final

Wednesday 1st July

- Mentoring
- 2.00pm – EYFS, KS1 & KS2 siblings 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
- 2.00pm – KS2 musical performance inc. KS2 siblings who performed on 1st July (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