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### Trips

The Year 6s had a fantastic time on their PGL trip to Caythorpe Court. They took part in abseiling, climbing and had a go on a trapeze. The weather was a bit mixed but the rain didn't stop everyone having fun! Ms Spyby, Mrs Cox & Mr Copestake all had a go on the giant swing as Well!



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Happening this week

Tolerance & Diversity Week  
Year 6 Transition Week

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Phonics Club 3-4pm

Dance Club 3-4pm

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

NUT Strike

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Multi-Skills after school sports club – Years 3/4

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

New class day

Swimming for Year 5

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

New class morning

Corporal Butcher after school club

## Strike

As you are no doubt aware, the NUT is planning to strike on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. If this action goes ahead as planned then Birklands School will be closed. Please see the website for more updates.

## Warsop Carnival

A fun day was had by all on Sunday. The children on our float really enjoyed themselves and did the school proud. We also managed to win third place in the float competition! A huge thanks to Mrs Butcher who organised all the costumes for both the children and staff as well as all the decorations for the float. Thanks also to the parents and staff who helped put the float together and gave up their time this weekend to help make the day enjoyable for all.



## Dance Performance

The Dance Club will be putting on a performance for parents and carers on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 3.30pm. Tickets are available from the school office and are £1 each. All money raised will be put towards buying props and costumes for the Dance Club. Come along and see what moves the children have been learning!

## Summer School

This will take place during the week commencing 25<sup>th</sup> July for Year 5 children. Parents and carers should have received a letter to complete stating which days their children will be attending. Could these please be handed in to the school office as soon as possible. Once dates and times have been finalised we will be sending out more information.

## Family Life Magazine

This has been produced by Nottinghamshire County Council and includes lots of fun events for the children over the summer. This should be coming home with your child today.

## Gates

Can we please ask that all parents are mindful about who they are letting into the school grounds. The gates are there for the protection of our children and should only be opened by staff members. Please also ensure that the gate is closed behind you and the bolt pushed across.

## Free Childcare

From September 2017, parents of 3 and 4-year-old children, who work at least 16 hours per week, will be entitled to 30 hours per week free childcare in term time only, or approximately 22 hours per week spread over the whole year.

The Department for Education has asked Nottinghamshire County Council to carry out a survey so that they can find out what kind of childcare families need in preparation for next year. It's really important to them that parents inform their planning from the outset.

If you have children, born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2014 please use this opportunity to have your say, and shape future childcare in Nottinghamshire.

The online survey is open until July 6th.

Those parents who complete the survey, and leave their contact details, will be entered into a free prize draw to win 1st prize of £100 of high street vouchers, and 2nd prize £50 of high street vouchers!

The survey is available online: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/KSG6WQF>

## More Important News



Stars of the week ending 1<sup>st</sup> July were:

Reception – Lucas Lee & Olivia Smith  
Year 1 – Kadie Cooper & Regan Crawford  
Year 2 – Tori Hartley & William Evans  
Year 3/4 L – Marshall Cannon & Hope Snuggs  
Year 3/4 P – Lucas Rayner & Faith Snuggs  
Year 5 – Holly Brown & Curtis Preston  
Year 6 – Kian Briggs

### Attendance

Attendance last week was 95.5%, which is a big improvement! Yet again the Kittiwakes had 100% attendance – a fantastic achievement, keep it up!

Please continue to support us in making sure your child comes to school ready to learn. If your child has a minor cough, cold, headache or other ailment, please continue to send them in to school and we will monitor them. If your child is ill then we will call you to pick them up. Please ensure that we have your most up-to-date contact details on our records. We are currently working with Meden's Attendance Officer who will be making home visits if we do not have a valid reason for your child's absence.

## We would love you to...

Join us for Maths games on a Tuesday morning from 8.30am.

Reading every Friday morning from 8.30am.

**CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A TEAM POINT EVERY TIME THEY ATTEND!!**

Breakfast Club is held on a daily basis from 8.00am to 8.30am at a cost of £1.20



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