



Westbury
ACADEMY

**First day back for pupils is
Friday 4th September 2026**

Westbury Termly Times *Summer edition*

Lee Morgan (Academy Principal)

A large collage of 15 photographs capturing various activities and moments from the Westbury Goes Caribbean event. The photos show children and adults engaged in games, posing for photos with tropical-themed props, and socializing. Several photos include a heart icon, three dots, and the hashtag #WestburyGoesCaribbean. The collage is arranged in a grid-like fashion with some overlapping images.

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Nottingham College Highfields



Year 7 and 8 pupils were invited to visit Nottingham College Highfields Campus. They took part in STEM activities - building robots for a robot wars battle, and they engaged with the Motor Mechanics department to learn what a course there would entail, also learning a bit about parts of a car engine in the process. They also had the opportunity to use a welding plant. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the visit.



Breakfast with Gus

Pupils recently had a pawsome time at Breakfast with Gus! They enjoyed a relaxed morning sharing tea and toast with Gus, our much-loved school therapy dog, in a calm and friendly atmosphere. As well as plenty of cuddles and smiles, pupils learned all about how to care for a dog, including what Gus needs to stay happy, healthy, and well looked after. It was a fantastic way to build confidence, develop a sense of responsibility, and strengthen positive relationships—all while spending time with everyone's favourite four-legged friend!



Pupils had an action-packed day at Highfields Park!

Pupils put their map-reading skills to the test during an exciting orienteering challenge before getting creative by making beautiful ephemeral art from natural materials. After all their exploring, everyone enjoyed a picnic and plenty of playtime with friends. The day was full of adventure, laughter and learning, helping pupils build confidence, teamwork and communication skills while making wonderful memories in the great outdoors.



RIO DE VIDA

In our topic on South America pupils have been learning about the rainforest ecosystem, the history of football, how to



make music to Samba and even about carnivals. We also got to practice some football skills with balloons

and created our own goal scoring dances.



Pizza Making

This term's topic has focused on allotments and the variety of produce that can be grown. From harvesting



fresh ingredients to learning about their origins, pupils have developed a deeper understanding of where food comes from. As part of this learning, they took part in a pizza-making activity, where they



selected their own toppings and explored how these ingredients are produced. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experience and created a range of delicious pizzas, demonstrating both creativity and enthusiasm through-

News and events from around our school

Saying goodbye to our year 11

A wonderful farewell celebration with a fantastic turnout! We enjoyed the delicious buffet of world cuisines from Panda Mami, treated ourselves to soft-serve ice cream and a chocolate fountain, and shared plenty of smiles and memories. A lovely way to say goodbye to our pupils and celebrate another successful year.



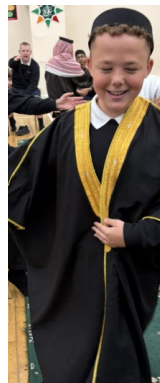
Mosque Visit

Pupils visited a mosque in Nottingham which was a fantastic and enriching experience for all involved. Pupils were impeccably behaved throughout and contributed thoughtfully to discussions. They learned about the Quran, how often Muslims pray, and key principles of the faith, including connections with other religions.



The visit also brought learning to life, as pupils enjoyed trying on traditional clothing and sampling authentic snacks.

It was a valuable opportunity to build understanding, respect, and curiosity about different cultures and beliefs, and we are very grateful to our hosts for such a warm and engaging visit.



Stonebridge City Farm

Pupils visited for an exciting hands-on learning experience linked to our science topics.

Pupils explored how plants grow, where food comes from, and how animals are cared for on a working farm.



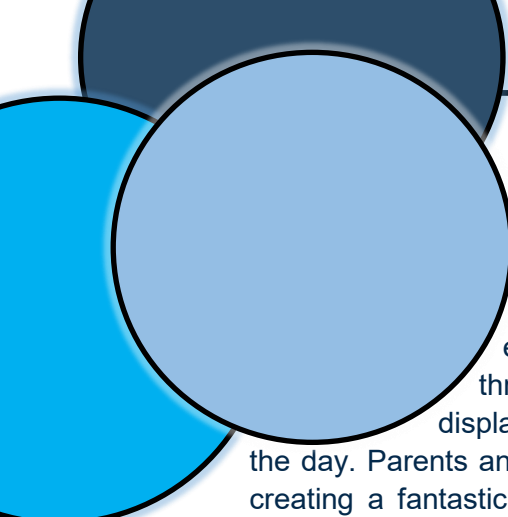
Pupils also learned about animal life cycles and reproduction through discussions and observations. The visit encouraged teamwork, curiosity, and confidence as pupils worked in mixed-age groups to complete activities together. Highlights included meeting the farm animals, exploring the gardens, and learning about sustainable food production. Learning continued back at school as children worked together to create collage posters of their visit.

Allotment Topic

Pupils have been getting creative while helping to brighten up our school grounds. Using old car tyres, they designed and decorated their own colourful planters, giving new life to materials that might otherwise have gone to waste. Once their planters were complete, they filled them with strawberries and a variety of other plants, adding a splash of colour and greenery to make our outdoor spaces more welcoming and inviting. The project has been a fantastic way to combine creativity, teamwork and gardening skills, while learning about sustainability and growing food.



Our school's Sports Day was a fabulous success, with pupils enthusiastically taking part in a wide range of track and field events. From thrilling sprint races to impressive field competitions, every participant displayed determination, teamwork, and outstanding sportsmanship throughout. Parents and carers came out in large numbers to support and cheer on the pupils, creating an atmosphere filled with encouragement and celebration. We were also pleased to have members of the governing body, whose presence and support were



Mental Health Awareness Week

During **Mental Health Awareness Week** our school was filled with kindness, positivity and smiles!

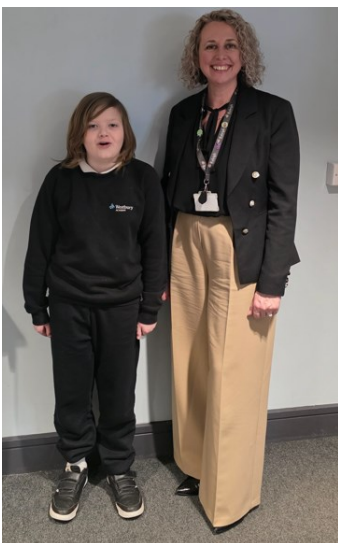
We explored the importance of looking after our wellbeing through open conversations about feelings and emotions, while taking part in fun kindness activities that celebrated caring for others. From thoughtful gestures to words of encouragement, everyone played a part in creating a happy, supportive school community where every person feels valued.



Staff Spotlight - 5 minutes, 5 Questions

Sally Boaden: Chief Finance and Operation Officer was interviewed by our school council

1. What is a fun fact or hobby that you have outside of school?
don't know if I should tell you this. I love karaoke. I also really enjoy walking my dog.
2. If you didn't work for the trust, what job would you have?
I would either want to be an English teacher or a dog walker.
3. What is your favourite thing about our school?
The kids and how much they like to input their ideas and the staff.
4. What is your favourite movie?
It would have to be Mary Poppins and Willy Wonka
5. Do you prefer tea or coffee?
Tea and lots of it!



Our Primary Parliament

Our Primary Parliament group had a fantastic final session, focusing on exercise, healthy eating, and the joy of music and movement. It has been wonderful to see how much confidence pupils have gained throughout the programme. A huge well done to everyone who got up on stage and performed in front of 10 other schools, you were amazing! We are so proud of everything you have achieved.



The Raleigh Education Trust Football Tournament

Westbury Winners!

On 4th July, staff proudly represented our school at the Trust Football Tournament held at Ash Lea School. The event was a fantastic opportunity to bring colleagues together in a friendly yet competitive environment, strengthening relationships across the trust while enjoying the spirit of the game. Every team showed great determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the day, creating an enjoyable atmosphere for everyone involved. After a tense and closely contested final that was decided by a dramatic penalty shootout. Westbury emerged victorious and proudly lifted the trophy. It was a memorable day and another outstanding success for all participants.



Westbury Goes Green Summer Market

Another fantastic year, bringing together pupils, families and members of the local community for an enjoyable afternoon. We were also delighted to welcome both Woodlands and Deanwood Academies, who joined us with their own stalls and helped make the event even more special. Their creativity, enthusiasm and hard work highlighted the strong sense of community and collaboration between our schools. Visitors were able to browse a variety of stalls, showcasing eco-friendly products, crafts, plants and homemade treats, while learning more about sustainability. The lively atmosphere was made even more special by a

performance from the Lady Bay Revellers Morris dancers, who entertained with dances our pupils were able to join in! The popular BBQ proved to be another highlight of the day, serving delicious food and helping to raise valuable funds. Thank you to everyone who attended, supported the stalls and contributed to making the event such a memorable success.



Westbury Goes Green



FREE SUMMER FUN 2026

LOTS OF FREE EVENTS & ACTIVITIES ALL SUMMER LONG!

IN NOTTINGHAM CITY for families & children

FUN THINGS TO DO THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS!



PARKS & OUTDOOR FUN



✓ **WOLLATON PARK**
Hundreds of deer, woodland walks, adventure playgrounds and picnic areas.



✓ **HIGHFIELDS PARK**
Playgrounds, beautiful gardens, lake walks and boating.



✓ **THE ARBORETUM**
Victorian park with children's play area and lots of space for games and picnics.



✓ **STONEBRIDGE CITY FARM**
Meet friendly farm animals and enjoy the gardens. **ENTRY IS FREE** (donations welcome)



FREE LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Inspire Libraries across Nottingham are running lots of FREE activities for children and families, including:



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



FREE CRAFT SESSIONS



STORY TIMES



LEGO CLUBS



FAMILY ACTIVITIES & MUCH MORE!

Activities vary by library – check your local branch or visit the website.



Inspire Libraries

imagine more...



MUSEUMS & GALLERIES



NOTTINGHAM CONTEMPORARY
Free family workshops and creative activities on selected dates.



GREEN'S WINDMILL & SCIENCE CENTRE
Free to visit with beautiful gardens and regular family events.



NOTTINGHAM INDUSTRIAL MUSEUM
Located in Wollaton Park with free entry on opening days.

★ All are great places to learn, explore and be inspired!



FREE SUMMER EVENTS & ENTERTAINMENT

- ★ Free outdoor performances & family entertainment in Nottingham city centre during the summer programme.
- ★ Community festivals & children's entertainment in local parks.
- ★ Pirate trails, giant lawn games and outdoor family activities at selected venues.
- ★ Check local listings and council event pages for dates & times.



LIVE SHOWS



GIANT GAMES



PIRATE TRAILS & MORE!



NATURE & WILDLIFE



✓ **ATTENBOROUGH NATURE RESERVE**
Free walks, wildlife spotting and visitor centre.



✓ **COLWICK COUNTRY PARK**
Lakes, playgrounds, picnic areas and woodland walks.



✓ **FOREST RECREATION GROUND**
Large open spaces, play equipment and sports areas.

Get outdoors, explore and enjoy Nottingham's green spaces!



HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD (HAF)

If your child receives benefits-related free school meals, they may be eligible for FREE holiday clubs.



FUN ACTIVITIES



HEALTHY MEALS



GREAT DAYS OUT



MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Look out for HAF programmes running across the city throughout the summer. Ask at school or visit the council website for more information.



MORE IDEAS FOR FREE FAMILY DAYS OUT!

- ✓ City Centre – explore, people watch, play in Old Market Square water feature.
- ✓ Walk along the River Trent & Victoria Embankment.
- ✓ Nottingham Castle grounds – beautiful views and open spaces.
- ✓ Local playgrounds – find your nearest one at nottinghamcity.gov.uk
- ✓ Pack a picnic and enjoy your favourite park!



KEEP UP TO DATE!

For the latest events, activities and school holiday ideas visit:



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NOTTINGHAM CITY

so much to enjoy – all for FREE!

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★ Please check individual websites for dates, times and details as events are subject to change.