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MUSKHAM Newsletter

Scavenger Hunt

As another busy and exciting week draws to a close at Muskham Primary School, I have once again been reminded what a wonderfully vibrant school community we are lucky to be part of.

This week, our children enjoyed a fantastic scavenger hunt around the village, and what an adventure it turned out to be! Armed with clipboards, sharp eyes, and plenty of enthusiasm, the children explored the local area searching for clues and completing challenges. There was much excitement, a little healthy competition, and more than a few debates over whether something was “definitely on the list!” It was wonderful to see the children learning beyond the classroom walls while enjoying all that our village has to offer.

Meanwhile, our Reception classroom was full of smiles during our Reading Café event. We were delighted to welcome so many mums, dads, and family members into school to share reading activities alongside the children. There is something incredibly special about seeing children proudly showing off their phonics, favourite stories, and growing confidence as readers. Thank you to all the parents who attended and helped make the session such a warm and successful one.

Looking ahead, we have an important week on the horizon as our Year 6 pupils prepare for SATs week. We are immensely proud of every single one of them. They have worked incredibly hard, shown resilience, determination, and maturity throughout the year, and they should all feel proud of themselves already. While we encourage the children to do their very best, we always remind them (and perhaps ourselves too) that a test paper can never measure kindness, creativity, humour, friendship, or the wonderful people they are becoming. We know they will approach next week with the same positive attitude they show every day.

Finally, a gentle reminder to parents to keep an eye on upcoming diary dates. The summer term is already shaping up to be an exceptionally busy one, packed with trips, events, sports days, celebrations, and many more exciting opportunities for the children. It may only be May, but the school calendar seems to have sprinted ahead to July already!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Wishing all of our families a lovely weekend.

Mr Pearson

What’s coming up...

Monday 11th May - Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th May - Year 1 Parents Evening
Wednesday 20th May - School Disco
Thursday 21st May - Last day of term
Friday 22nd May - School Closed - Staff Training
25th - 29th May - Half Term
Friday 12th June - World Cup Day
Friday 19th June - Year 6 Camping
Thursday 2nd July - Transition Day (children into new classes)
Tuesday 7th & 8th July - The Wizard of Oz Performances
Thursday 9th July - Reports out to parents
Friday 10th July - Sports Day
13th July - 15th July - Residential
Friday 17th July - Summer Fayre
Friday 23rd July - Leavers’ Assembly





It's all happening in the classroom...





Mr Charlesworth's Class

This week in Foundation, we were delighted to welcome families into the classroom to share a wonderful range of picture books together. The children loved exploring stories with grown-ups and taking part in book-themed activities as part of our 'Reading Café'. It was a lovely opportunity to celebrate reading, spark conversations and enjoy stories.



Mrs Keane's Class

This week in Year 1, the children have been busy investigating weight using cubes as a hands-on measuring tool.

They explored how to compare and measure the weight of different objects by using cubes in balance activities. The children carefully added cubes to see how many were needed to balance an item, helping them understand which objects were heavier, lighter, or equal in weight.

It was wonderful to see the children making predictions before testing their ideas, as well as using mathematical language confidently during their discussions. They showed great concentration when ensuring their cubes were counted accurately and their comparisons were fair.

This practical approach really helped to deepen their understanding of weight, and the children thoroughly enjoyed investigating and exploring. Well done, Year 1! ⚖️



It's all happening in the classroom...





Mrs Palmer's Class

Year 4/5 had a fantastic time taking part in the 'Walk Notts Festival' scavenger hunt around Muskham this week. Using maps and problem-solving skills, they followed clues that eventually led them back to the park. It was a great opportunity for the children to compare different types of maps and put their 4- and 6-figure grid reference skills into practice.







Mrs Hough's Class

Class 2 had a thoughtful visit from the Mental Health Support Service this week, exploring feelings and emotions linked to their transition into Key Stage 2. The children enjoyed a story together and had the chance to share any worries or things they're excited about.

They have also been learning about fire safety and used this to inspire a writing competition based on Mog's Christmas Calamity. After planning together, each child wrote their own version of the story, choosing a different animal and a special day of their own.

They then shared their stories within their groups and voted for a winner, celebrating creativity and teamwork.





It's all happening in the classroom...

Y6 SATs

Kahoot!



Miss Baker's Class

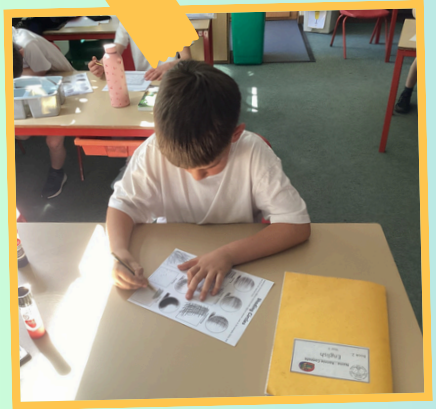
Year 6 have been incredibly busy as they continue their SATs revision, tackling it in a variety of engaging ways. Quizzes and games have featured heavily, with Kahoot proving to be a firm fan-favourite, alongside outdoor treasure hunts that combined learning with fresh air and teamwork.

In independent writing, pupils used the short film Alma as inspiration to craft spine-chilling tales of fear - resulting in some of the strongest and most creative writing we have seen all year. Alongside this, the children have begun rehearsals for their upcoming performances and have started creating design ideas for their DT project. A fantastic mix of hard work, creativity and enthusiasm all round!

Mrs Ellison's/Mrs Sheldon's Class

This week, Class 3 have started to learn about Greek Myths in English and are beginning to create characters to write their own. They have also been learning about measures in Maths and have become very confident at converting between mm, cm and m.

In Art, they have begun working on collaging. The children realised this wasn't as easy as it seemed, but have made an excellent start on their pictures. Well done, Class 3!







Sports News.

Football results for this week.

Bleasby 6 - 1 Muskham

Muskham 8 - 3 Bishop Alexander

Our boys' football team had another exciting week of matches, showing great teamwork and determination throughout. The team secured one fantastic win and also experienced one defeat. They demonstrated resilience and a positive attitude in both games.

Well done to all the players for their effort, sportsmanship, and commitment—we are very proud of you all! ⚽



This Weeks Stars!

Well done to all our superstars this week. You have all been fantastic ENABLERS and we are very proud of you all!





ABOUT CASY

CASY Counselling and Support for Young People

CASY is a charity set up in 1998, that delivers counselling support to children and young people, aged 6 to 25, across the East Midlands and surrounding areas.

It is estimated that a large proportion of young people across the East Midlands are having their lives negatively affected by mental health issues such as anxiety, depression, behavioural problems and family relationships.

At CASY we are committed to ensuring that our clients have the best possible foundation for later life that good mental health brings.

Each year we support over 2,000 young people, delivering around 16,000 hours of support. We work in schools and at the community venue in Newark.



WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT US



"I found it helpful speaking about my problems. I found my counsellor friendly and easy to talk to"

"The client says they found their sessions very helpful and although they felt shy at first, they felt more confident as sessions progressed. They say their sessions weren't quite as expected, as there was more talking than they anticipated and felt this was better, as it let things out." (Aged 16, 2025)

HOW TO MAKE A REFERRAL

If you think counselling may help you, you can get in touch at:

01636 704 620
office@casy.org.uk
www.casy.org.uk

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FEEL LIKE YOU NEED TO TALK?

Is Counselling for me?

Feeling overwhelmed or like things are slipping out of your control is completely natural — and it's something you don't have to face alone. Whether it's pressure from school, challenges at home, or just not feeling like yourself, these feelings are valid.

Growth isn't a straight line. Everyone's journey is different, with ups, downs, and everything in between. That's why counselling is for anyone who needs support — no matter where they are on their path.

It's not about having all the answers. It's about having a safe, non-judgemental space to talk, reflect, and develop ways to cope — so you can feel more like yourself again.

COUNSELLING CAN HELP

Counselling is one way of getting the support to help you cope with these issues.

It is confidential and your counsellor won't make judgments about you or even offer advice. The counsellor will help you talk about how you feel, and work with you to develop ways to cope so that you can feel more like yourself.

Nurturing Minds, Inspiring Change



HOW TO REFER & WHAT WE OFFER

The sessions are led by the client.

We offer face to face counselling for young people aged between 6 and 25, on a one-to-one basis.

If you feel like you may need counselling, please contact us for our referral form via the details on the back. The referral information allows us to find the right counsellor for your needs. Once we have the referral form back, you will secure a place on our waiting list, and you will hear from us with an appointment offer.

Appointments are **same time, same place and same counsellor each week.** The sessions run for up to 9 weeks.

As a charity, we get no financial support for the NHS or Government, which means we do have to **charge a small cost for each session of no more than £20.**

To see our other services please visit our website!



FACE

May 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

School Anxiety	4 May 10am
Understanding Anger	4 May 7pm
Facing Defiance	5 May 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	5 May 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	11 May 10am
Anxiety Explained	11 May 7pm
Introduction to OCD	12 May 10am
What is ACT?	12 May 7pm
Decreasing Depression	18 May 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	18 May 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	19 May 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 May 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 May 10am
Improving Family Communication	25 May 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	26 May 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	26 May 7pm
FREE Getting a Good Nights Sleep	**28 May 7-8pm**

CAUNTON TENNIS CLUB OPEN DAY



SATURDAY MAY 2ND
2-4.30PM

4 WEEKS TRIAL MEMBERSHIP-£10 ADULTS, £5 JUNIORS, £20 FAMILY includes FREE GROUP COACHING FOR 3 WEEKS TO ALL WHO SIGN UP

WHAT'S ON:

COME AND EXPERIENCE TENNIS & PICKLEBALL FOR BOTH JUNIORS AND ADULTS

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Ages 5-13

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