



Newsletter

26th June 2026

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Headteacher

As we come to the end of another busy week, I would like to thank all of our parents and carers for your continued support during the recent spell of very hot weather. Your understanding and trust with the adjustments we have made has been greatly appreciated. Our staff have worked hard to ensure that learning has continued while keeping the children safe and comfortable. Classes have made the most of our shaded outdoor spaces and children have moved between our air-conditioned rooms where appropriate to provide cooler learning environments. We are incredibly proud of how well the children have adapted and of the dedication shown by our staff, who have responded with flexibility, positivity and professionalism in ensuring that learning has continued despite the challenging temperatures.

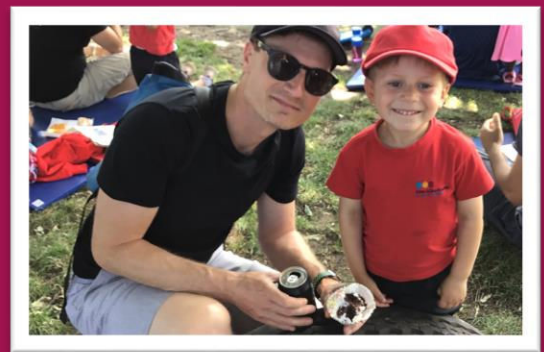
Thank you once again for your ongoing support, understanding and trust. It is greatly appreciated and plays a vital role in helping our school continue to thrive.



Father's Day

It was wonderful to welcome so many parents and family members into school to celebrate Father's Day with us on Friday. The KS2 playground was full of smiles, laughter and a real sense of community as families came together for this special occasion. The children loved sharing a story and the cards they had made. We have also had very positive feedback about the pizza and cakes that were enjoyed too!

Thank you to everyone who joined us and made the afternoon so memorable. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.



Traditional Story Sharing

We were delighted to welcome a parent into school this week to share traditional stories from their culture with our pupils. The children were captivated as they listened to these rich and meaningful tales, gaining a deeper appreciation of different traditions and perspectives. As part of this wonderful contribution, the parent has also created a website to share the history of their culture, providing an excellent resource for both children and families to continue their learning beyond the classroom. We are incredibly grateful for this valuable opportunity to celebrate diversity and broaden our pupils' understanding of the world around them.



Below is a link to the website if you would like to find out more information.

[UMUIGBO — Akuko Ndi Igbo · The Great Encyclopedia of the Igbo People](#)

We always enjoy welcoming parents into school to share their experiences, knowledge and traditions, as these opportunities greatly enrich our curriculum and help broaden our pupils' understanding of the world. Building on the success of the cultural days we held last academic year, we are keen to continue celebrating the diverse backgrounds within our school community.

If any parents or carers would like to get involved in future events or share something special about their culture, please contact the school office. We would be delighted to hear from you and will keep your details for events planned in the next academic year.

NSPCC Speak Out. Stay Safe

Recently, our pupils took part in the NSPCC *Speak Out. Stay Safe* workshops, which are designed to support children in understanding how to keep themselves safe and where to turn if they are worried about something.

The sessions were delivered in an age-appropriate and engaging way, helping children to learn important messages about speaking out, recognising trusted adults, and understanding that their worries matter. Pupils explored different scenarios through activities and discussions, building their confidence to seek help if they ever feel unsafe.

Our children engaged thoughtfully and respectfully throughout the workshops, asking insightful questions and demonstrating a clear understanding of the key messages. We were especially proud of how maturely they approached such an important topic.

The NSPCC workshops are a valuable part of our commitment to safeguarding and ensuring that all children feel safe, supported, and empowered. We encourage families to continue these conversations at home and to remind children that there is always someone ready to listen and help.

We would like to thank the NSPCC for delivering such an informative and impactful experience for our pupils.





Speed Kick Challenge

Our pupils recently took part in a fantastic event to raise money for new outside play equipment for our school and the charity '*Brighter Futures Through Sport*', who have worked with Edna G. Olds for over 13 years helping to provide quality PE and mentoring. There was plenty of energy, laughter and friendly competition as children (and adults!) tested their kicking speed and cheered each other on. It was wonderful to see everyone getting involved, showing determination while also having lots of fun.

The event not only raised valuable funds for a great cause, but also gave pupils a memorable experience, promoting teamwork, resilience and a healthy love of sport. Well done to everyone who took part! There will be an assembly before the end of term where the wining speed kicks will be announced.



Water Safety Assembly

On 19th June, Miss Lam from Rushcliffe Arena came to do an assembly about water safety. The children learnt information such as what different flags mean at the beach, when it's safe to swim (and when it's not), and learnt the Water Safety Code. They now know what to do to keep themselves safe in water and also what to do if they get into difficulty in the water.



Severn Trent Workshop

Year 4 were lucky to receive a water workshop from Severn Trent Water, our cities water supplier. During the workshop they learnt about the jobs that people do at Severn Trent water, such as supply water but also cleaning water from the sewers.

The children learnt about what they can and cannot put down drains. They were able to see what happens if we put things into the drains that we shouldn't and the impact this has on our drainage system.

Phil, our workshop leader, created sewerage based on the things that people put down the drains. Each group was then given some of the sewerage water and had to try and make it as clean as possible using the equipment, which included filter papers, sieves, cotton pads and jugs.

The children learnt it was very hard to clean/purify water in a short time and in actual fact, it takes Severn Trent water 24 hours to do this job so that the water is safe for consumption.



Severn Trent Assembly

After Year 4's workshop, the whole school was invited to take part in an assembly about water and how we need to be more aware about preserving water. We learnt about how much water is in the world and how that has never changed.

From this, we learnt about ways in which we could save water rather than wasting it, such as showering for a shorter length of time, turning off the tap when brushing our teeth and use a bucket to wash our cars rather than using the hose pipe.

The assembly allowed for a lot of discuss about water. The children were particularly interested to learn that the water that once around during the dinosaur era is still the same water that we use today!



Outdoor Learning

The children have enjoyed relaxing yoga sessions during the high temperatures this week, cooling off and relaxing in the shaded areas of school.



Lenton Festival

We are incredibly proud of our choir, who performed beautifully at the Lenton Festival. Their confidence, enthusiasm and musical talent were a joy to see and they represented the school so well.



We also wanted to say thank you to Mrs Sattar for organising and running the delicious cake stall, it was a fantastic success and enjoyed by all!

It was also lovely to see so many parents and children attending the event and supporting the local community.

Year 3 Trip to Holy Trinity Church Lenton

On 17th June we visited Holy Trinity Church to learn about how Christians worship. We did a treasure hunt around the church, finding different items and ticking them off. Sasha and Garreth then took us back round the church and told us what all the objects were, such as the pulpit and the font, and how they are used. We learnt about the stained glass windows and then we coloured our own versions. We listened to different types of Christian music (we preferred the rock style!) and then sang a song about bringing peace to the world.



Capital One – Maths Assembly

KS2 were fortunate to welcome Andrei Riley, a risk analyst from Capital One, to school this week, where he shared how he uses maths in both his career and hobbies. He delivered an engaging assembly before working with Year 4 pupils, helping them explore how maths is used by different people in everyday life while encouraging them to make links between their learning and future careers, consider jobs that involve maths, and challenge stereotypes about the world of work.



Drumming Workshop

It was wonderful to welcome parents into school to watch the children who have participated in DCP Drumming lessons this academic year perform. The children were truly fabulous, showcasing their skills, confidence and teamwork in a lively and enjoyable performance.

We are incredibly proud of all the pupils involved for their enthusiasm and hard work throughout the year—it certainly shone through on Wednesday!

If you are interested in your child taking part in drumming lessons next year, please call into the school office where further details can be shared.



Cleaner Role Vacancy

Edna G. Olds Academy are seeking to appoint an outstanding cleaner to work within the school and its grounds. This is an exciting opportunity to work in a school which is extremely proud of its school community and strives to deliver the very best practice. This role is for 10 hours per week after school time. Please enquire at the school office or email admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk



Summer 2 Events

Summer Fair	1st July 2026 3:30pm onwards
Sports Day	2nd July 2026 KS1 at 9:15am KS2 at 1:10pm
Year 6 Secondary School Transition Days	7th & 8th July 2026
End of Year Production - Nursery	7th July 2026 at 2:00pm
End of Year Production – Reception & KS1	8th July 2026 at 9:15am
End of Year Production - Nursery	9th July 2026 at 9:15am
End of Year Production – Reception, KS1 & KS2	10th July 2026 KS2 Performance at 9:15am Reception & KS1 Performance at 1.45pm
End of Year Production – KS2	13th July 2026 at 1:45pm
Year 5/6 PGL Residential – Dearne Valley	15th-17th July 2026
School Reports	17th July 2026
Transition Days to New Class	20th & 21st July 2026
End of Year Class Parties	22nd July 2026
Year 6 Leavers Assembly	23rd July 2026 at 2:00pm
Inset Day - School Closed	24th & 27th July 2026
Inset Day - School Closed	1st September 2026
School Returns	2nd September 2026



Core Values Achievers



Nursery	Ace	For his fantastic story map work this week.
	Inayah-Rae	For always demonstrating great motivation and enthusiasm in the classroom.
Rec	Daniel	For his fantastic creative writing and for showing courage in his drumming performance.
	Sage	For her fantastic creative writing and showing courage in her drumming performance.
Year 1	Matteo	For always being an enthusiastic learner and demonstrating curiosity.
	Maulana	For always demonstrating all of our core values and being an excellent role model.
Year 2	Paula	For always taking personal responsibility for her learning.
	Orgest	For showing motivation to work hard in and out of school.
Year 3	Hiba	For improved listening and good focus during our assessments.
	Kingsley	For showing motivation in all areas this week.
Year 4	Lola	For always showing resilience and motivation in learning.
	Eisa	For wonderful motivation with his spellings.
Year 5	Khalice	For her focus and resilience in all her learning.
	Ayaansh	Exceptional motivation and determination in all areas of the curriculum.
Year 6	Zion	For his enthusiastic singing and acting during our production practice.
	Haadiya	For her enthusiastic singing and acting during our production practice.

Thank you for your continued support.

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