

HEADLINE NEWS

Monthly Newsletter



As we come to the end of another busy 'glitter season' I have no doubt in my mind that everyone is ready for a well-earned break!

It's definitely been another busy and successful term and I am so thankful and proud of all our wonderful schools. Thank you for everything you do for our children and school communities. There have been so many fantastic stories to report on since the beginning of term in September - it's really lovely to see. All that remains is for me to wish you a relaxing Christmas break. I look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Stories of the month

Gogglebox star visits 'Apple distinguished' Parkdale

Parkdale Primary School had a lovely surprise when Gogglebox star and professional educator Baasit Siddiqui paid a visit. The school has become an 'Apple Distinguished School' thanks to its innovative technology. Mr Siddiqui spoke to the children about the importance digital learning plays in their education. He said: "The children take pride in championing the cool stuff they are doing using digital technology and that makes them well-rounded, confident young people and the fact that Parkdale provides that environment is lovely to see."



Allenton goes red, yellow and blue for legacy walk

The Allenton Community Primary School held a memory walk in vibrant colours of red, yellow and blue to honour the memory of headteacher Jon Fordham who sadly died in December 2021.

Jon has left a lasting impression on the school by creating four colourful Learning Superheroes to help the children in his care to believe in themselves and truly understand what it means to be a great learner. It was lovely to see everyone taking part.



Brierley success as community hub

A free diploma course for parents and carers at Brierley Forest Primary and Nursery School has been a success. It is great seeing their confidence grow by making new friends, gaining an entry level diploma qualification and enhancing their relationship with the school. The school partnered with the Academy Transformation Trust Further Education College (ATTFE) to provide the course in its state-of-the-art redeveloped community hub on-site.





South Wilford C of E Primary School

South Wilford C of E Primary School had a fantastic time completing the Reindeer dash in support of Treetops Hospice. The children loved taking part and looked very festive! The school was very proud to raise over £2500 for the charity on the day!



Highbank Primary School

The children at Highbank Primary School had a wonderful morning when they visited their local church. The children loved singing Christmas songs together and even made tree decorations as they prepare for the festive season!



Parkdale Primary School

The pupils of Parkdale took part in their Jingle Jog all in aid of Save the Children. It is all about helping one another, raising money, with a little bit of festive spirit as well!

Zaytouna Primary School

Zaytouna's year two Gold Junior Duke Group have taken part in their final skills session. The group learnt about fire safety before enjoying toasting marshmallows and eating s'mores consisting of toasted marshmallow and chocolate, sandwiched between two pieces of graham cracker. Yum!



Whitegate Primary School

Whitegate's Area Band played to a full house at the Albert Hall in Nottingham! They were joined by the Nottingham Music Hub. The school's trumpet and trombone sections were fantastic and the school said it couldn't be more proud of all the Nottingham young people, and their families who came to support them.



Transform Applied

The Transform Applied's team held FED for All Session 2. Join on your own or with other colleagues from your team or as a way to reconnect with the FED language! Remember to check your calendar to get your dates ready for next month.



Education news updates

Education news:

[Survey of school and trust business professionals, 2023](#)

[SEND futures longitudinal study - discovery phase](#)

[Annual report on education spending in England: 2023](#)

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Transform in the news

Brierley Forest Primary and Nursery

School art diploma course

ITV Central News

Parkdale Primary School visit by

Gogglebox star

Nottingham Post

The Allenton Community Primary

School legacy day

BBC