

# 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026



It has been a busy and rewarding few weeks in school, filled with many memorable experiences for the children.

Our Year 1 pupils had a fantastic time enjoying the outdoors at Perlethorpe Education Centre in North Nottinghamshire. The staff were especially proud when the children were praised by the centre team, who were highly impressed with their geography knowledge and map-reading skills. It was wonderful to see their learning brought to life in such an engaging environment.

During the same week, our Year 2 pupils travelled to Tamworth to visit the castle and take part in a range of activities designed to help them understand what life would have been like in a castle. As always, the children conducted themselves politely and represented the school beautifully.

Mrs Irwin

## **Lunchtime Menus**

Our new lunchtime system has been working well from our perspective. We are pleased to see that the children are eating more, and there has been a significant reduction in food waste. The dining hall is also noticeably calmer. However, we have observed an increase in sandwich choices and a decrease in the selection of cooked meals. After Easter, we will be introducing a jacket potato option to provide more warm food choices for the children. In addition, the summer menu will include a vegetarian option. If you would like your child to receive vegetarian meals instead of the meat option and have not yet registered this preference, please contact the school office. Once registered, the system will automatically select the vegetarian alternative whenever a hot meal is chosen.

## **Online Safety**

Our recent monitoring has highlighted an important concern. Although children can clearly explain what to do if they encounter something worrying or frightening online, many are not putting this into practice. We consistently teach the children to stop and seek help from a trusted adult immediately, and we would be grateful if this message could be reinforced regularly at home.

It is concerning that a number of children reported encountering upsetting content online without speaking to either parents or school staff. Additionally, a recurring topic among the children has been *K-Pop Demon Hunters*. Whilst many are interested in this, some have found aspects of it frightening but have continued watching without expressing their concerns.

Regular conversations at home about online safety are essential in helping to protect our children in an increasingly complex digital world. The NSPCC website offers excellent guidance to support these discussions.

## **Open Afternoon Reminder**

We will be holding a second open afternoon for families who were unable to attend the earlier event. This will take place from 2:00pm to 4:00pm on **Tuesday 24th March**. Our second-hand uniform shop will also be available during this time.