



**James Peacock**  
Infant & Nursery School

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Proud Children, Proud Staff, Proud Parents!

# PEACOCK POST

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

# A message from SLT

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November we will be hosting our open afternoons for both F2 (Reception) and F1 (Nursery). If you have a child starting school in September 2024 or wish to enrol your child in our Nursery from January 2024, please come along to our open afternoons, meet our team and explore all that James Peacock has to offer. Further information is attached to this newsletter.

Can we please ask that you share our open day information in the community, should you know parents who are looking for school or nursery places for their children.

## Our wider school community;



*Taking place tonight at St Peter's school*

Fashion Sale and Show.

Tickets are £6 per person and doors open from 6.30pm.



## Thank you!

To the Friends of James Peacock school who have funded 7 new spades for Forest School and laptops for the children.



## Key dates and events:

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 1 school trip

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October** – F2 (Reception) open afternoon

**Half term** – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November** – Flu vaccinations for F2, Year 1 and Year 2

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – F1 (Nursery) open afternoon

*Nottinghamshire County Council* annual consultation on admission arrangements for the academic year 2025-2026 is now open.

A summary of the consultation is attached and the full proposed arrangements are available at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/admissionsconsultation](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/admissionsconsultation)

### *Dogs on site*



We respectfully request that you **do not** bring dogs onto site please. This is for all children, parent's and staff's health and safety. If dogs are seen we will be asking you to leave the site. Thank you for your support on this.



No E-Bikes or  
E-Scooters  
allowed

### *Electric Scooters*

Please do not ride electric scooters or any motorised vehicles on the school site.



*Nottinghamshire Healthy Families team* is a free advice and support service from NHS for families with children ages 0-19.

Further information and contact details are available on the attached poster.

# Holiday Clubs

Ace Sports Coaching have launched holiday clubs for all James Peacock children, including those in F1 starting this October half term.

Holiday clubs will take place for 3+ year old at James Peacock Infant and Nursery School during the second week of half term.

Further information about October holiday clubs, locations and pricing can be found on the poster attached to this newsletter.





# LUNCH TIME

## Next weeks menu...

***Jacket Potatoes are available daily.***

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday:**  
Cheese and Beans topping

**Tuesday and Thursday:**  
Tuna Mayo topping

Vegetarian meals are available upon request

		MAIN MEAL	DESSERT	
MONDAY	Margherita pizza pommes noisette vegetable sticks  Gluten Milk Soya		Mixed berry mousse & apple wedge OR Fruit  Milk	
TUESDAY	Spaghetti Bolognese garlic bread crunchy vegetables  Gluten Milk Soya Fish		Cornflake tart & custard OR Fruit  Milk Gluten Sulphur Dioxide	
WEDNESDAY	Southern style burger in a bun jacket wedges carrot sticks & ranch salad  Gluten Egg Milk Sesame		Fruit flapjack OR Fruit  Gluten	
THURSDAY	Roast turkey & stuffing gravy roast OR mashed potatoes cabbage & carrots  Gluten		Cheese & crackers OR Fruit  Gluten Milk	
FRIDAY	MSC fish cake diced potatoes garden peas & crunchy veg tomato ketchup  Gluten Fish		Apple muffin OR Fruit  Gluten Egg	

**ALSO SERVED DAILY:** Best of both bread Gluten and Soya Seasonal vegetables available daily, Coleslaw Egg when served.

[www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/schoolmeals)

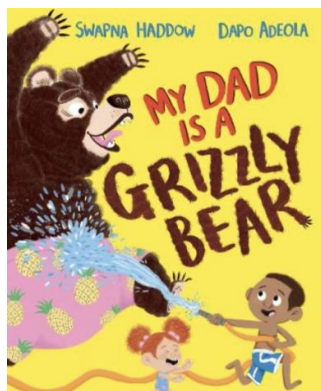
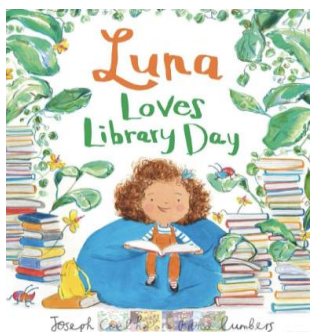
# BOOKFLIX

Every week we are going to share which books are “trending” across school. This will allow you to discuss with your child what they have been reading for pleasure in class and also help us to promote the joy of reading too.

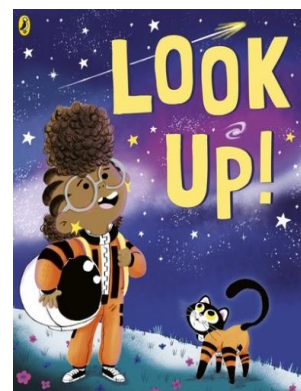
As part of Black History Month we will be focussing on some of our best Black British children’s authors, many of whom the children are very familiar with and already have access to either through their class libraries or the school reading spine. All classes and year groups will read a range of stories written by the following authors; Malorie Blackman, Joseph Coelho, Dapo Adeola and Nathan Bryon.

## *Trending in F2*

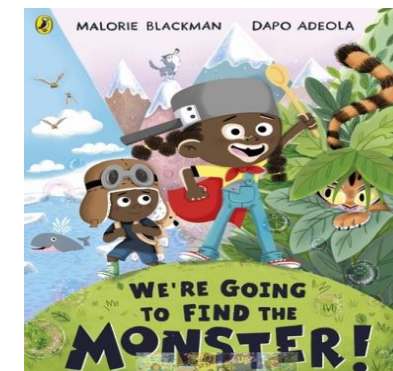
### *Trending in F1*



### *Trending in Year One*



## *Trending in Year Two*





# EARLY YEARS

## News from F1 (Nursery)

We've had another fabulous week in F1!

We really enjoyed celebrating National Poetry Day on Thursday.

During the day we read the poem 'My Treasures' by Kate Wakeling and it was lovely to see the children share their treasure from home. They were very excited to share with us all why it was special to them.

We have been busy subitising using conkers. We talked about not using our counting fingers but using our eyes to notice what we could see!

The children chose from a selection of natural materials and loose parts to make a face. We had some very imaginative creations!





## *News from F2 (Reception)*

Wow! What an exciting week we have had!

We have loved reading the poem 'My Treasures' by Kate Wakeling on Thursday to celebrate National Poetry Day.

The F2 children thought of their own objects that were special and drew them. We all tried really hard to use our phonics to help sound out and write the name of each object. We are so proud of everyone's perseverance.

In Maths, this week we have been comparing height, length, size and capacity. We became human balance scales to find out which items were heavy and which were light.

We also went on an Autumn walk to see what change of season signs we could spot. It was lovely to see the changing leaf colours and feel the cool breeze blowing them down.



# News from Year 1



What a wonderful week we have had in Year One , with a very exciting day on Thursday when we celebrated National Poetry Day. The children brought in their treasures and orally practiced their descriptive sentences before adding them to our class collaborative poems. We then recited the poem that had inspired us 'My Treasures' by Kate Wakeling and performed our own versions.

The children then wrote their own poem based on the treasure they had shared, we are so proud of their wonderful writing and how much they have really settled into Year One.

In science we have continued learning about materials and their properties. This week we were grouping objects based on their properties, we went on a hunt around the classroom to find different objects for each property.



# News from Year 2



This week in Year Two, the week has just flew, we have been rhyming, and working on timing, to perform for our poetry week!  
(Have a check on Dojo for our performance)



The children read the Poem 'My Treasures' by Kate Wakeling and began to find rhyming words. We explored descriptive vocabulary and created our own poems. We really enjoyed performing our poems for you all to see on dojo.



We have been very busy counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s in maths. We have solved the missing numbers and tricky reasoning and problem-solving questions.

In science, we have explored habitats in our wonderful playground and found lots of animals living there.





# The Friends of James Peacock School (FoJPS)

A huge **THANK-YOU** to everyone who came and supported our lend-a-hand-day on Sunday. Your support is hugely appreciated.



Thank-you for all the wonderful chocolate donations last week.

Please come and see us at the market tomorrow, where we will be holding our chocolate tombola and glitter tattoo stall!

Tel: 0115 914 4225

Email: [office@jamespeacock.org.uk](mailto:office@jamespeacock.org.uk)





On **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October**, we will be holding a Hallowe'en cake sale after school.

We would love any donations of home-baked or shop-bought cakes to be dropped off at school on the morning of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> (or Friday 13<sup>th</sup> if they are shop-bought, unopened, and will still be in date the following week!).

And we'll look forward to seeing you there after school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – cash and card payments welcomed!



If you would like to order some **pre-loved uniform**, please use the link below:

[JPS Preloved Uniform Order Form \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com)

**Our committee is currently being run by:**

Co-chairs – Louise Braithwaite and Jennie Ellison Co-secretaries – Kimberley Ward and Siân Birch Treasurer – Sam Davison

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November** (venue TBC) and we would love to see some new faces!

Please email us on [fjps.committee@gmail.com](mailto:fjps.committee@gmail.com) if you would like to find out how to get involved.

# Peacock Club

Spaces are still available at Peacock Club before and after school for all James Peacock children.

Breakfast club – 07:30-08:30

After School Care – 15:10-18:00

For booking information and pricing, please visit -  
<https://www.jamespeacock.org.uk/club-information-and-timings.html>



# Extra Curricular Activities



## Magical Maths is back for Year 1!

Featuring fun games, tricks and activities designed to help your child become more confident and engaged with Maths! Starting on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November. To find out more, click the link below: [www.magicalmathsclub.com](http://www.magicalmathsclub.com)  
Places are limited and fill up fast.

Ace Sports Coaching are running after school sports or dance clubs each evening after school until 16:30. Clubs cost £5.50 and booking is essential.

