



Forest Glade Primary and Nursery School Family – Growth – Potential

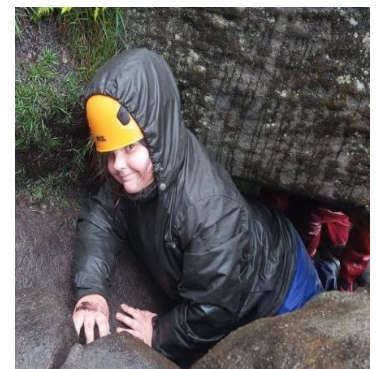
June 2026

What a great start to our final half term, our children have been very busy! Take a look below to see some of the wonderful things we've been up to this month and for all the latest updates.



Year 6 Residential

Our Year 6 children had the best time at their residential to Lockerbrook. From rock climbing to weaselling to amazing teamwork with the crate stacking challenge, everybody had an amazing time, even in the typical British weather. These are memories that will last a lifetime for the children and is a lovely way for them to finish their time together at FGP! A big thank you to all the members of staff who were involved in supporting the children on this trip.



Eco Quote of the Month

"If you cannot reduce, then reuse"



Water Saving Tip of the Month

"Only fill the kettle as much as you need"



Key Information



Year 2 Mixed Media Art

Year 2 had a visit from local artist, Jo, to work on a fantastic creative project. The class took part in a full day of mixed media art, exploring a range of materials and techniques to develop their ideas. The children printed using paint, experimented with oil pastels, and used tissue paper and card to build texture and depth in their work. They then used these skills to create expressive self-portraits inspired by the style of Frida Kahlo. The focus was on self-expression and individuality, with the children encouraged to think carefully about what makes them unique. Well done Year 2 you displayed great enthusiasm and **creativity** to produce some beautiful artwork!



Hawkeye Falconry visit FS2

Reception have started to learn about woodland animals and their habitats. To help bring their learning to life, they welcomed Alistair from Hawkeye Falconry, who brought along two beautiful owls for them to meet. Some of the children showed amazing **confidence** when holding them. What a fantastic experience!



The Flying High Partnership Awards

The Flying High Partnership awards evening took place at Nottingham Royal Concert Hall. Well done to all the children who were nominated, your award is thoroughly deserved. A big well done to some of our children who took part in the choir as part of the evening performance, Mrs Kinsella and Miss Elvin were very proud of the **confidence** and **enjoyment** you displayed!

Zoolab visit Nursery

Zoolab visited our nursery children to support their enquiry work. The children were so brave, **curious** and excited as they got up close to some truly fascinating creatures, including, an African snail, hissing cockroach, tarantula and corn snake. There were lots of "wow!" moments, great questions, and plenty of enthusiasm from everyone. It was a fantastic hands-on experience that really brought their learning to life!



Father's Day Celebration

We had a lovely morning of activities and sweet treats, to celebrate the special gentlemen in our children's lives. Thank you to everybody who joined us, we can't wait to see you all next year! A big thank you to Miss Elvin and Mrs Kinsella for organising this lovely event and to Asda for donating the sweet treats.



Upcoming dates for the diary

Friday 10th July 4-6pm – Summer Fayre
Friday 17th July – Seaside Day
Thursday 23rd July 6-7pm – KS1 Summer Disco
Thursday 23rd July 7:15-8:15pm – KS2 Summer Disco
Friday 24th July – Last day of school

Inset Days for 2025/2026 & 2026/2027

Monday 27th July 2026
Tuesday 1st September 2026
Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Monday 2nd November 2026
Monday 4th January 2027
Monday 7th June 2027



At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YOUTUBE KIDS

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

As its name suggests, YouTube Kids is a child-friendly version of Google's online video-sharing platform. Its colourful user interface is designed with young people in mind, and it offers a curated, family-friendly experience with features like age-based content settings and parental controls.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT BYPASSING FILTERS

YouTube Kids is less likely to show inappropriate material than YouTube, but there have been reports of the app showing age-inappropriate content to young viewers. One investigation found that YouTube Kids had shown videos that promote skin bleaching, weight loss, drug culture and firearms to children as young as two, as inappropriate content had bypassed the platform's algorithms and human moderators.

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BE WARY OF ADVERTISING

Like Google's regular YouTube app, YouTube Kids features pervasive advertising before a video plays. While these adverts are designed to be family friendly and are subject to a strict review process, it's worth noting that YouTube Kids collects information around children's viewing to inform targeted content and advertisements.

BUY NOW!

DESIGNED TO BE ADDICTIVE

YouTube Kids is designed to be addictive. The platform's design features, such as the constant stream of new videos and the reward system of points or virtual stickers, can be very engaging and make it difficult for children to switch off. Research has shown that spending too much time using digital services such as YouTube can lead to screen addiction, affecting children's daily routines, studies, and even their social lives.

SETTINGS CAN BE CIRCUMVENTED

YouTube Kids offers built-in parental controls, enabling you to set screen time limits and curate the content children are able to view; however, children are often more tech-savvy than we think. They can easily bypass or tweak these settings if they have access to the associated Google account password, thereby exposing themselves to age-inappropriate and potentially dangerous content.

AI-GENERATED MISINFORMATION

There is also a risk of children accessing videos that contain disinformation and misinformation. A BBC investigation found that some YouTube channels are using artificial intelligence (AI) technology to create misleading 'scientific' videos that are recommended to children as educational content. These videos included conspiracy theories and ideas that lack scientific backing.

DATA COLLECTION RISK

While there are limits on the data that YouTube can collect on children under 13, children can still inadvertently give away sensitive information when using YouTube Kids. The platform collects data on children's viewing habits, content searches and location, which YouTube and third-party advertisers can use.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PARENTAL CONTROLS

YouTube Kids offers several settings that allow you to manage what content children can view. For example, you can choose what level of content you want them to access, such as 'Preschool' or 'Younger'. You can also turn off the search function, so that only those videos approved by the YouTube Kids team themselves will appear on a child's recommendations list.

SET TIME LIMITS

The built-in parental controls let you keep a tab on how long children spend watching videos. You can set a timer that limits screen time and disables the YouTube Kids app once a specified length of time has been reached. It's also worth speaking to children about the dangers of spending too much time on YouTube, to ensure they remain focused on other, more important activities.

CHECK WATCH HISTORY

YouTube Kids has made it easy for you to keep an eye on what the children in your care have been watching on the app. By clicking on the 'Recommended' icon at the top right of the home screen, you can see which videos they've been viewing, and how much of each. If a child watches YouTube Kids while signed into a Google account, you can check their history through Google's 'My Activity' page.

WATCH TOGETHER

It's important that you try to make YouTube Kids a fun and positive experience for children. One way to do this is by introducing watching sessions, where you all gather around and share the most enjoyable videos that you have recently watched. This can be a great way of giving you both new things to talk about and of keeping an eye on what they're watching.

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