

Scene!

Read what's now, new & next.



Nottingham Gets Curious! - Nottingham Festival of Science and Curiosity takes place from 13th - 20th February, with a programme jam-packed full of free, hands-on activities to pique Nottingham's curiosity. Back for its fifth year, the Festival of Science and Curiosity is all about taking science out from behind closed laboratory doors and into the everyday lives of ordinary people. The festival wants to encourage people to ask questions, be curious about the world around them and take a leading role in finding out the answers.

The festival kicks off with projects in schools, including an investigation by three schools into plant diseases, a session about pathology at the QMC Hospital School and the Real Science in Schools Symposium on Thursday 14th February which celebrates the authentic scientific research being undertaken by pupils across Nottingham schools. The festival will then take over the city centre on Saturday 16th, with a whole range of activities from an inflatable planetarium to matchstick rockets, velcro bacteria to 3D plant roots, real fossils to brain magnets. The festival will then go out into communities, with the three main events the Fun Days at Meadows, Clifton and Strelley libraries.

Curious? [Find out more @NottsFOSAC #CuriousNotts19](#)

[Sign up for the Real Science in Schools Symposium](#)

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Urgent and important stories...!

Nominate your favourite children's book for Nottingham 100 Reads - The National Literacy Trust are asking Nottingham residents, young and old, to submit their favourite children's books and find out Nottingham's top 100 Reads. The list will encourage more children to enjoy reading and read more widely.

Each primary school in Nottingham will receive a pack that includes top tips for teachers when promoting the 100 Reads to their classes and a set of postcards for pupils, where they can submit their favourite book and author for the list. The Nottingham school that submits the highest number of suggestions will receive a bundle of books for their school. [get involved here](#)

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Important but not urgent stories...!

DSL Network 12th February - The agenda and booking link for the upcoming DSL network meeting is now available on the [DSL web page](#).

Get ready for World Book Day 2019 - With World Book Day on the horizon (7th March 2019) now is a great time to get inspired to promote reading, from classroom activities to sharing a book at bedtime. You can find new ideas and share your own for getting kids of all ages excited about books [here](#).

Statutory RSE 2020: What we know so far - The government are currently responding to the public consultation with the final guidance expected to be published before July 2019. Catherine Kirk has provided an overview of key requirements for Relationships and Sex Education contained in the draft RSE Guidance. [Statutory RSE: overview](#)

Children's Mental Health Week 4th - 8th February - Understanding how to look after our bodies and minds is crucial for our wellbeing. These resources are full of activities and ideas to help primary and secondary-age children and young people explore what it means to be Healthy: Inside and Out. [resources](#)

Funding for Schools Science Projects - Primary and secondary school teachers can apply for a grant of up to £3,000 to buy equipment to run a STEM investigation project for pupils. The closing date for applications is the 28th February 2019. [more information](#)

DfE Update: School resource management: training and support - Sources of training and support for school business professionals in schools, trusts and other organisations. [more information](#)

DfE Update: Identifying schools for support - The DfE are seeking views on how we identify which schools should be eligible for an offer of support to help improve educational performance. [more information](#)

DfE Update: Introduction of T Levels - T Levels are due to be introduced from the academic year 2020 to 2021. Find out what they are and what they mean for you. [more information](#)

DfE Update: Price comparison site launched to help schools cut energy bills - New website will help schools avoid fees charged by energy brokers and reduce the more than £10 billion a year spent on non-staffing costs. [more information](#)

DfE Update: Specialist leaders of education: a guide for potential applicants - How to apply to become a specialist leader of education (SLE), what's involved, and how to work with existing teaching schools. [more information](#) [SLE Flyer](#) [LLE Flyer](#)

Pupil Record Cards - The final few boxes of Pupil Record are available schools and academies for 40p each. If you would like

to place an order, please do so by emailing CHSSales.database@nottinghamcity.gov.uk by 12 noon on Wednesday 6th February and we will have them ready for collection at the School Admin Meeting on Thursday 7th February. Please note orders will be taken on a first come first serve basis as stock is limited. If your order is unsuccessful, you will be notified and can order record cards directly [here](#) quoting catalogue no 59258.

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Stories you might find interesting...!

Rise Park half-term holiday workshop - Check out careers with the Police, Army, Nottingham City Homes and Environmental Health on 19th and 20th February 2019, from 9am to 4pm. To book email: NottinghamTogether@nottinghamcity.gov.uk [more information](#)

Light Night returns to Nottingham City Centre on 8th February - Discover the magic of Light Night with striking light installations, exciting performances and enjoyable opportunities to take part - all inspired by the 50th anniversary of Apollo and the first man on the moon. All for free! Don't miss *Museum of the Moon* at the Royal Concert Hall, a touring work by UK artist Luke Jerram. Measuring seven metres in diameter, the moon features detailed NASA imagery of the lunar surface. Many more exciting installations will be taking place across the city centre. [more information](#)

New season at Nottingham Contemporary - Nottingham Contemporary are excited to announce their new season, featuring two solo exhibitions by Turner-prize winning artist [Elizabeth Price](#) and the first UK solo-show of [Daniel Steegmann Mangrané](#). [more information](#)

Scene! news articles are now available without having to log-in, but please note that some sensitive content will only be available on the secure part of the extranet.

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