

Child Friendly Nottingham Updates

CHILD RIGHT OF THE MONTH:

As part of our Child Friendly Nottingham Action Plan, we're dedicated to promoting a different child's right each month. Please see the link below for a resource to support your engagement with children and young people. We hope you find this Rights Respecting School resource helpful!

The full year's calendar of 'Child Rights of the Month' can be found in the ChalleNGe [Cultural-Rucksack](#).

Please tell us if you are doing any activities around the Rights of the Month, we'd love to hear about any activities you're doing around children's rights! Please share your ideas with us.

This Month:

[Articles 32 and 35 Resource](#)

This month, we will be **highlighting Article 32 and 35**, with a larger focus on **article 32** from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), to raise awareness for **World Day against Child Labour** on the **12th June 2025 (primarily focusing on the former)**



Article 32: Child labour

- Governments must protect children from economic exploitation and work that is dangerous or might harm their health, development or education. Governments must set a minimum age for children to work and ensure that work conditions are safe and appropriate.



Next Month:

Next month, we will be **highlighting Article 35**, to raise awareness for **World Day against Trafficking in persons** on the **30th July 2025**.



Article 35: (abduction, sale and trafficking)

- Governments must protect children from being abducted, sold or moved illegally to a different place in or outside their country for the purpose of exploitation.



TRAINING UPDATES

Training dates in 2025

Upcoming Training: **An Introduction to Children's Rights in Practice**

To support Nottingham's ambition to become a globally recognised Child Friendly City, we are supporting partners across Nottingham city to be working to a Child's Rights Based Approach by offering **FREE** training, delivered by the UNICEF UK Child Friendly Cities Team.

Join child rights experts from UNICEF UK for a practical and interactive introduction to children's rights as set out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.





Please see the upcoming training dates below and email child.friendly@nottinghamcity.gov.uk to book a training space.



June 2025



Thursday 19th June 2025 – MS Teams Online, 09:00am - 1:00pm



July 2025



Wednesday 23rd July 2025 – MS Teams Online, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Further 2025 dates for the Children's Rights in Practice Training will be featured in our next bulletin.



Bespoke Training

Bespoke Child Rights in Practice Training can be organised for teams of 10 colleagues or more.

To discuss it with us please email child.friendly@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

Would you Like to be a Child Right's Trainer?

UNICEF UK are opening a programme to 'Train the Trainer', so we can cascade child rights training to a wider audience across Nottingham.

If you are interested in becoming a Child Friendly Nottingham trainer, please contact the Child Friendly Nottingham Team at child.friendly@nottinghamcity.gov.uk





CFC Shorts 2025

As part of the Child Friendly City partnership and Nottingham's Child Friendly City programme, the UK Committee for UNICEF (UNICEF UK) Child Friendly Cities and Communities (CFC) Team offer monthly webinar series.

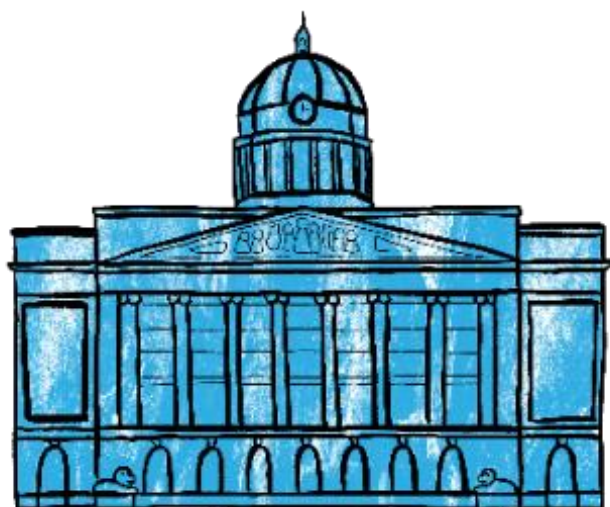
You can find full details in the resource sections on the Child Friendly Nottingham website, or by clicking below for dates and further details:

 [CFN Shorts: January - June 2025](#)

The CFC Shorts are delivered **online via MS Teams**, with a facilitator from the UNICEF UK CFC team. The monthly shorts also include PowerPoint slides, a highlight of good practice and the opportunity for attendees to ask questions and share reflections.

These take place on the **third Wednesday of every month** from **2pm-3pm**. Each one-hour session will offer practitioners across the CFC network the opportunity to take a deep dive into discrete areas of child's rights-based practice and the CFC programme.

We will update the remaining CFC Shorts dates for 2025 as they are announced by the UNICEF UK CFC Team





WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

UNICEF UK - Progress Review 3



On 23rd May the Child Friendly Nottingham Programme Team and Partners undertook the third Progress Review evidencing our significant progress over the last six months with UNICEF UK.

A representative for each CFN badge presented the updates, workstreams and progress that has been developing towards our aims to make Nottingham a globally recognised UNICEF Accredited Child Friendly City.

While we are awaiting the full progress review report from the CFC Team at UNICEF UK, the initial feedback received was positive, highlighting our commitment to supporting the voice and rights of children and young people across the city. The Child Friendly Cities and Communities team at UNICEF UK identified areas of progress for the remaining sixth months of the CFN Action Plan.

We would like to give a big thank you to all of our partners for their ongoing work to support the city's children and young people and the CFN programme.





UPCOMING DATES / EVENTS:

Event / Description	Date	Additional Details
World Day Against Child Labour	12 June	Articles 32 and 35 Resource for World Day against Child Labour
Mini Police Fun Day	14 June	12-3pm Melbourne Park (NG8 5HL) Event Information
Nottingham Refugee Week	16 – 22 June	Nottingham Refugee Week
Primary Parliament	17 June	Primary Parliament at The Council House
CFC Short: Advocating children's rights locally and nationally	18 June	14:00 – 15:00 (online via MS Teams) CFN Shorts: January -June 2025
Introduction to Child's Right's in Practise Training	19 June	09:00am - 1:00m (online). To book, email child.friendly@nottinghamcity.gov.uk
Positively Empower Kids Festival	22 June	10:00am – 17:00pm at Nottingham Castle Positively Empowered Kids Festival
Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Day	26 June	RSE Day Information: RSE Day ChalleNGe RSE Day: Communication
Bulwell Arts Festival	11 July	3:00pm – 5:00pm at Bulwell Academy
World Youth Skills Day	15 July	
Introduction to Child's Right's in Practise Training	23 July	1:00pm – 5:00pm (online). To book, email child.friendly@nottinghamcity.gov.uk
World Day against Trafficking in persons	30 July	
National Play Day	06 August	
International Youth Day	12 August	





WHAT'S COMING UP?

Positively Empower Kids Festival

On **Sunday 22nd June 2025**, Positively Empower Kids (PEK) celebrate their annual Family Festival which is back for its fifth year at **Nottingham Castle**.

This event is packed with fun, a family festival for 0-16 year olds with activities, performances and stalls to build positive mental health. The festival runs from **10am – 5pm** and is designed to help children see their brilliance and discover their capabilities.



For any partners that would like to **book a stall** at the event you can register via this booking link: [PEK Stall Booking Link](#)

For more information please visit the website here: [Positively Empowered Kids Festival Website](#) or by contacting: **Jackie Wilson** (PEK Director) for more information at: jackie@positivelyempoweredkids.co.uk





Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) Day

RSE Day is nearly here!

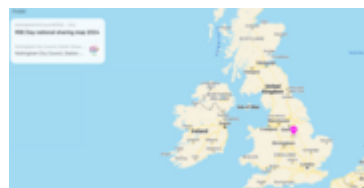
This year, RSE Day will be celebrated on **26 June** with the theme of 'Communicate'. RSE Day is a day to **celebrate great education around healthy relationships and positive sexual health**. Schools and organisations around the country in the celebration with activities and sharing on social media. helps children to make informed choices and stay safe.



You can now visit the [website](#) to download lists of things to do on the day for primary and secondary age children and parents, as well as fun resources and display materials.

Share your celebrations

Show you are celebrating by **plotting yourself on the [sharing map](#)**. Click on the pink plus button in the bottom right, type in your school's name or area, add something about how you plan to celebrate the day, press publish. You can also share photos on the day, there is no limit to the amount of times you can add yourself to the map!



Share your celebrations on social media using the hashtag #RSEday. We are excited to see how schools celebrate.

ChalleNGe RSE Day: Communication -

Taking part in RSE Day, our partner ChalleNGe are working with artist, Millie Yarwood, to create a mural at the Arboretum, featuring the views of children on communication in healthy relationships.



Using Padlet they will gather children's views using 5 questions from children throughout Nottingham so the children's views will shape the content of the mural.

To find out more and get involved click here:

[ChalleNGe RSE Day: Communication Mural](#)



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SKATE FOR SCHOOLS - Free Ice Skating for Children

To celebrate 25 years of the National Ice Centre, children have the opportunity to **skate for free** throughout **June and July 2025!**

Schools can sign up from across the city, so check with yours and make sure your child doesn't miss out on the ice-skating excitement.

Find out more by visiting the website here: [SKATE FOR SCHOOLS](#)



Nottingham Games- Bulwell Arts Festival, Bulwell Academy Thurs 10 July, 3-5pm



The Nottingham Games Project, has been researching the games children play today in playground and how they are the same or perhaps changed. Join in with Bulwell schools to share their celebration of their research into the games that children play today as well as the games that were played in earlier times by parents and grandparents. This includes celebrating games that are played in other languages or that have been brought to our playgrounds by families who have recently come to Nottingham.

There is still time for schools to get involved in the [Nottingham Games project](#)
Contact Rick Hall, rick@rehearsal.org.uk



UK Parliament Week Kits

November 24th – 30th is UK Parliament Week, this is a chance to empower students, and to encourage them to share their views and voices.

You can still order a **free kit resource kit**, with multiple resources to engage the Children and Young People you work with.



Marking the tenth anniversary of [UK Parliament's petitions website](#) there is the launch of their new **Petitions Pursuit board game!** A game to help young people understand how petitions work and the steps they can take to get their voices heard on issues they care about.

[Click Here to get involved!](#)

CFN Monthly Bulletins

Within our bulletin's, we regularly share news and information around Child Friendly Nottingham activity and related initiatives.

Please email us at child.friendly@nottinghamcity.gov.uk by the **last day of each month** with anything that you want to include in the following month's issue.

We hope that you find our bulletins useful and interesting.

