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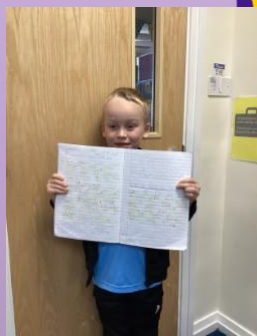
A Message from Mrs. Harris

Welcome back to our Summer term, we have lots of exciting plans and learning opportunities this term. I have included, at the end of the Newsletter, dates included for **next** academic year- this is to help you book holidays, please remember to book holidays in school holiday times, Staffordshire county council will continue to fine for holidays in school (this money does not filter to the school we are simply following protocol).

A busy 2 weeks at school and today has been a privileged as we got to watch Mayday Maypole dances in year 1 and Reception have done a lovely parade! A glorious day. There were some wonderful Maypoles, thank you all for helping us celebrate Mayday today-

On Wednesday Reception went to conkers on their school trip- they behaved beautifully and showed all those Violet Way behaviours we want- well done Reception. Year 1 celebrated with Victorian day before we broke up as well as an incredible Easter bingo led by our wonderful PTA.

Enjoy an extended weekend and we will see you on Tuesday,
Mrs Harris





Attendance

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Whole school (this week) | 95.55% |
| Reception | 93.39% |
| Year 1 | 98.61% |
| Year 2 | 94.83% |

Congratulations to **Busy Bees- 99.63%** for being the class with the highest attendance this week! Well done for your *fantastic attendance* this week. **Make sure your child attends school every day so that they get the most from their education.**

Lunchtime awards

Home Achievements





Merit Award Winners

Merit certificates are awarded to children who exemplify our school values, follow our school rules and demonstrate our star learner qualities. Check out our award winners this week!

Reception



Year 1



Year 2





Walk to school month

We are encouraging pupils and parents to take part in Walk to School Week this May. Walking is a healthy, active, and non-polluting way of getting to school. For those that live too far away to walk the whole distance away try parking 5-10 minutes from the school and walking the rest of the way. Walking also promotes a less congested environment around the school gate making it safer for everyone.



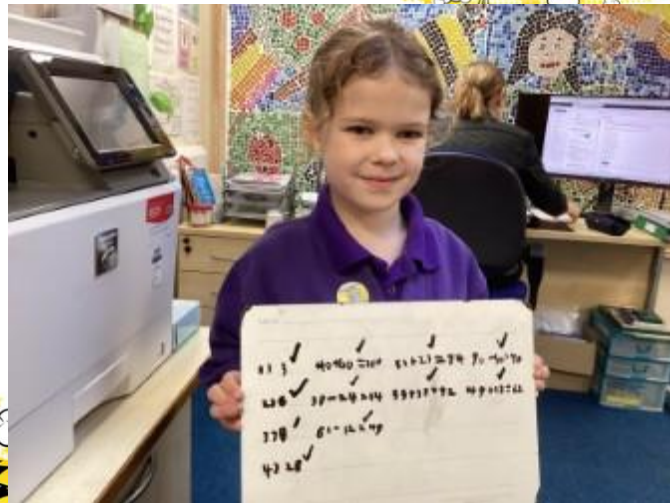
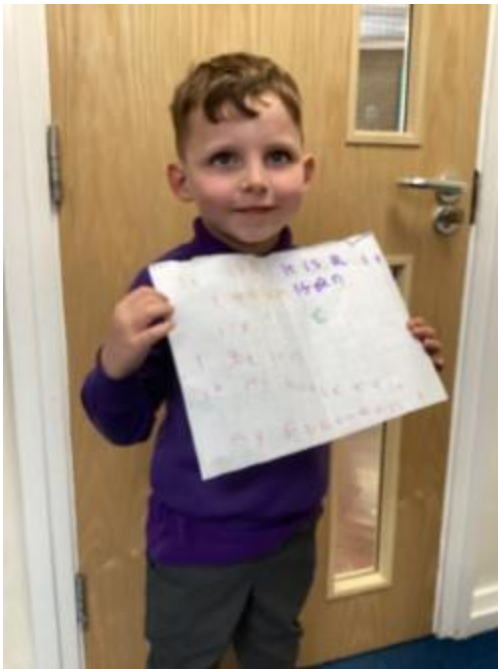
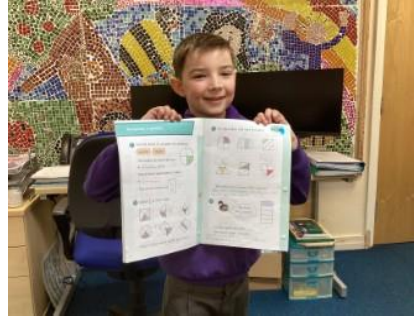
Gymnastics and Dance after-school clubs

After the May half term, we will be offering the after-school Dance club (on Thursday's) to children in Year 1 and the Gymnastics club (on Tuesday's) to children in Year 2.

You will be able to book your child a place on the club via Arbor on Monday 19th May at 6pm.

Please note there are limited places available, and these are automatically offered on a first come, first served basis.







Music concert





Reception had a dental visit...





SUNDAY 11 MAY | 12:00-17:00

STRETTON FOOD AND DRINK FAYRE

JUBILEE PLAYING FIELDS, HILLFIELD LANE, STRETTON, DE13 0BW



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

FOOD & CRAFT STALLS | DOG SHOW

BAR | ACTIVITIES | KIDS ENTERTAINMENT



Year 2 have been reading to Reception





Reception trip to conkers..







Easter Bingo...





Non contact boxing





Mayday at Violet Way







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DATES FOR THE DIARY!

**In the Summer term we welcome parents to Forest school session:
Parent stay Forest school**

145pm -245pm

Owls-9th May

Kestrels-16th May

Woodpeckers-23rdMay

Dragonflies-6th June

Busybees-13th June

Ladybirds-19th June(20th Inset day)

Foxes-27th June

Squirrels-4th July

Badgers-11th July





Victorian Day





Remind







Library and Forest School Dates

Parent Library Mornings – Autumn Term

Parents are invited to join their child, every three weeks for a parent library session. Gates will open 5 minutes earlier for the class whose library session it is. Reception sessions are on Tuesdays. Year 2 sessions are on Wednesdays and Year 1 sessions are on Thursdays. Parent library morning sessions start the week after next. Please see dates below for your child's parent library session.

SUMMER TERM 2025

Reception Tuesday Sessions

| | | | |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| Foxes | 29/4 | 20/5 | 17/6 |
| Squirrels | 6/5 | 3/6 | 24/6 |
| Badgers | 13/5 | 10/6 | 1/7 |

Year 2 Wednesday Sessions

| | | | |
|-------------|------|------|------|
| Kestrels | 30/4 | 21/5 | 18/6 |
| Owls | 7/5 | 4/6 | 25/6 |
| Woodpeckers | 14/5 | 11/6 | 2/7 |

Year 1 Thursday Sessions

| | | | |
|-------------|------|------|------|
| Dragonflies | 1/5 | 22/5 | 19/6 |
| Ladybirds | 8/5 | 5/6 | 26/6 |
| Busy Bees | 15/5 | 12/6 | 3/7 |

Forest School Sessions – Will be fun for a FULL week (bar Wednesdays)

| Owls | Kestrels | Woodpeckers | Dragonflies | Busy Bees | Ladybirds | Foxes | Squirrels | Badgers |
|-------|----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------|-----------|---------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 9/9 | 16/9 | 23/9 | 30/9 | 7/10 | 14/10 | 21/10 | 4/11 | 11/11 |
| 18/11 | 25/11 | 2/12 | 9/12 | 6/1 | 13/1 | 20/1 | 27/1 | 3/2 |
| 10/2 | 24/2 | 3/3 | 10/3 | 17/3 | 24/3 | 31/3 | 7/4 | 28/4 |
| 5/5 | 12/5 | 19/5 | 2/6 | 9/6 | 16/6 | 23/6 | 30/6 | 7/7 |





Dates For Your Diary

Staffordshire Term Dates 2024-25

Inset day: Monday 2 September

Term Starts: Tuesday 3 September

Holiday: Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November

Term Ends: Friday 20 December

Holiday: Monday 23 December – Friday 3 January

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 6 January

Holiday: Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February

Term Ends: Friday 11 April

Holiday: Monday 14 April – Friday 25 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 20 April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts: Monday 28 April

May Day: Monday 5 May

Holiday: Monday 26 May – Friday 30 May

Term Ends: Monday 21 July

Holiday: Tuesday 22 July – Friday 29 August

Please also make a note of our planned INSET days for next academic year at Violet Way:

Violet Way Inset Days

20th June 2025

21st July 2025

What's Coming Up?

Toddler Morning – Every Tuesday morning
9:00am-10:30am, £2 per family

Parent Coffee Morning –First Friday of every month-
2/5 6/6 4/7

Sports Enrichment Day –
16th May, 27th May

Cake Shop- 16th May 25

Parent Stay Forest school-145-245

Owls-9th May

Kestrels-16th May

Woodpeckers-23rd May

Dragonflies-6th June

Busy Bees-13th June

Ladybirds-19th June (20th June Inset day)

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Year 2 Graduation will be 18th July in the morning

Year 2 performances 8/9 July- Tickets and times TBC

Sports day 10th June Reception am

11th June Y1/2 am Edge Hill





For those that want to book ahead here are next years dates: Please note 2025-2026 academic year

- **Autumn Term 2025**
- **INSET Day (1):** Monday 1st September 2025
- **Term starts:** Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- **Holiday:** Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025
- **Term Ends:** Friday 19th December 2025
- **Holiday:** Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January 2025
- **Spring Term 2026**
- **INSET Day (2):** Monday 5th January 2026
- **Term starts:** Tuesday 6th January 2026
- **INSET Day (3):** Friday 13th February 2026
- **Holiday:** Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026
- **Term Ends:** Friday 27th March 2026
- **Holiday:** Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April 2026
- **Summer Term 2026**
- **Term starts:** Monday 13th April 2026
- **May Day:** Monday 4th May 2026
- **Holiday:** Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026
- **INSET Day (4):** Friday 19th June 2026
- **Term Ends:** Friday 17th July 2026
- **INSET Day (5):** Monday 20th July 2026
- **Holiday:** Tuesday 21st July 2026 onwards

