

A Message from Mrs. Harris

Good Afternoon,

It's been a wonderful 2 weeks, in which we have had a number of visitors. Our Trust Vice-CEO and Assistant Headteacher from Glascote came to visit our middle leaders, as well as EYFS. They were full of praise for the impact the leaders have had on subjects as well as the incredible development of the EYFS area.

We also had a visit from a local school to look at our Special Needs provision. It was lovely to celebrate how hard Mr. Malcolm, Miss Higson and the team have worked.

Date for your diary- Summer Fair is 13th June this year 330-5 and we also currently have places for 2-3-4-year-olds for September 2025, 15 or 30 hours, funded or chargeable. Please contact Sue Blackman via the office for more details.

Have a great weekend and we will see you all on Monday!

Mrs. Harris





Attendance

Whole school (this week)	95.65%
Reception	94.11%
Year 1	96.85%
Year 2	96.05%



Congratulations to **Owls 99.64%** 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.



Edge Hill have a catering assistant job going.
<https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/231295/catering-assistant-edge-hill-junior-academy/>



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





TRAIN TIME

ALL ABOARD!



Free for
free pass
members

1 hour play
session

Tickets £5.35
per child

LET'S PLAY TRAINS! Burton – Tuesday Every Fortnight

East Staffordshire Family Hub
4pm - 5pm

scan for
more info &
to book



Tickets available at:
www.traintimeuk.co.uk



FREE!

Learners must
be aged 19+

UNDERSTANDING CHALLENGING BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN

In this introduction course, you'll explore what is meant by behaviour that challenges and the different types of behaviour this may include.

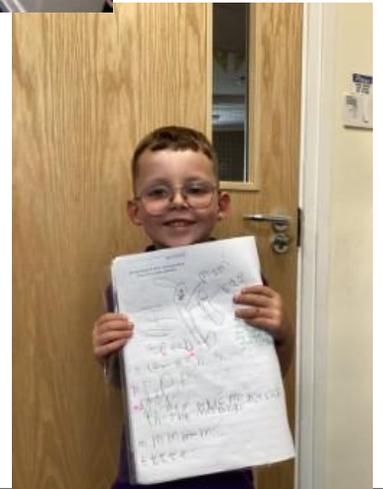
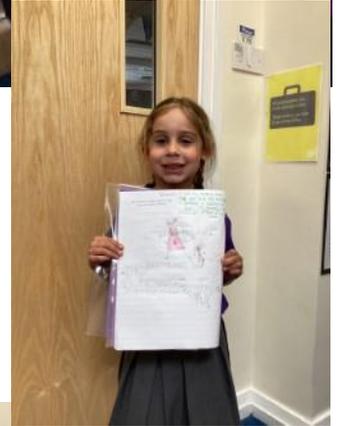
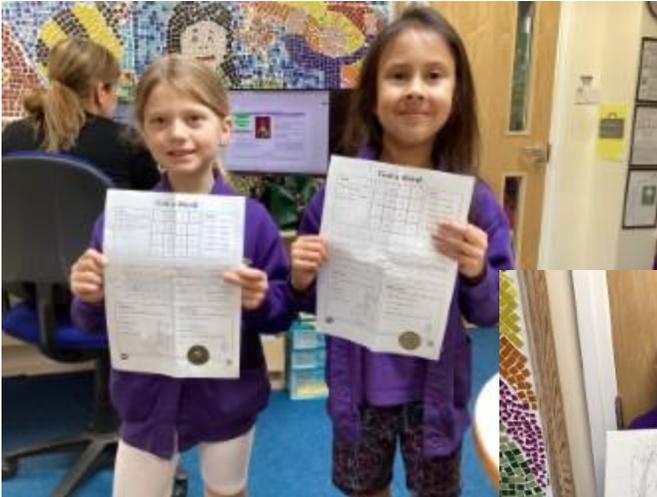
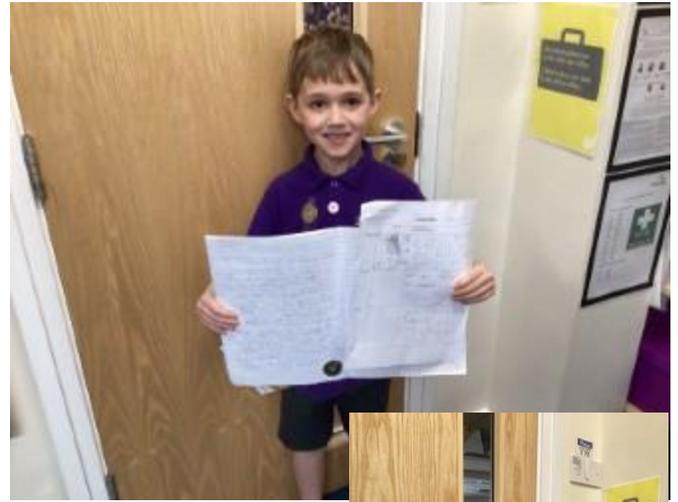
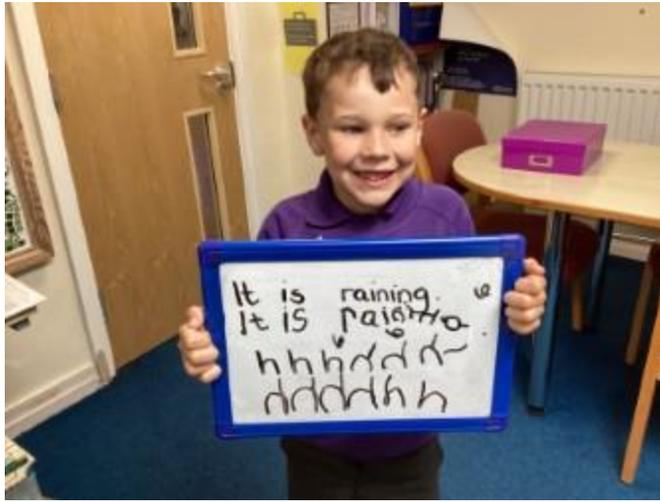
Behaviour is a form of expression, a symptom of something other. You will explore the possible reasons for the behaviour that challenges.

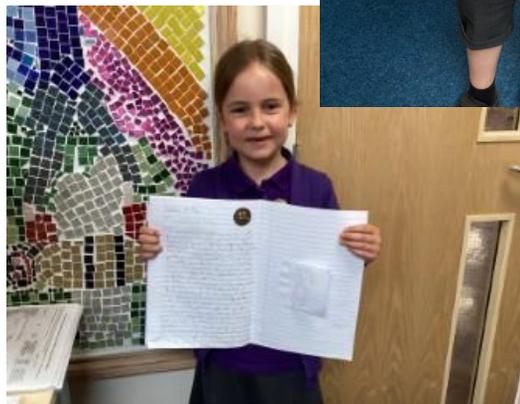
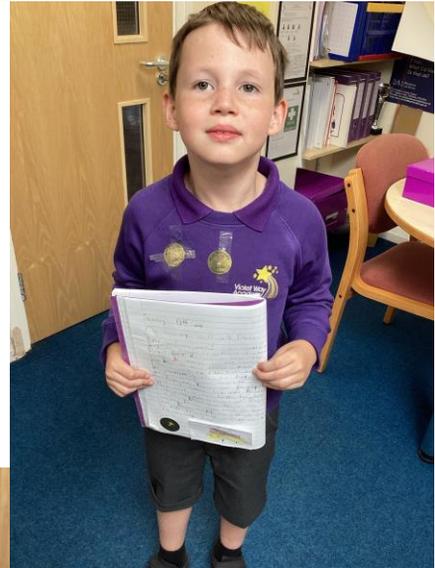
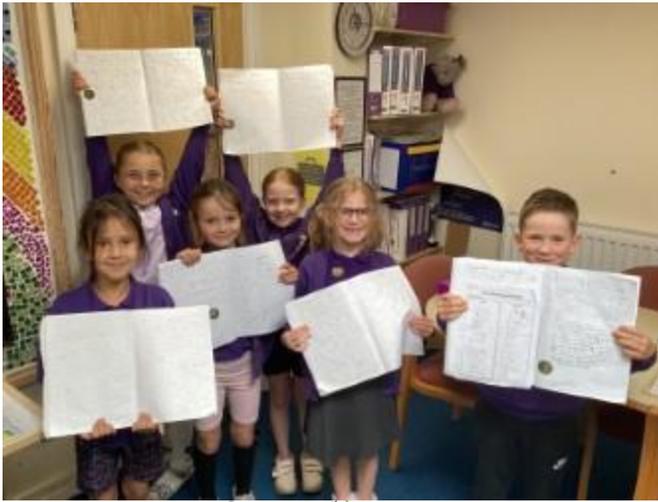
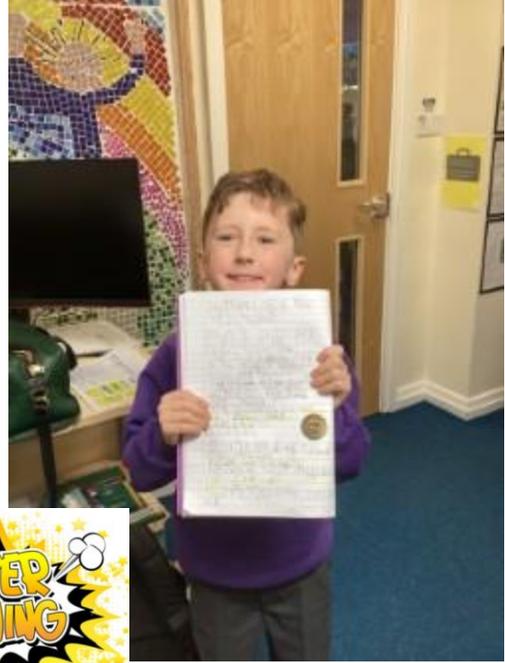
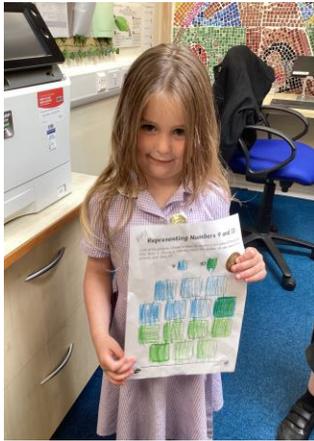
We look at the importance of identifying patterns of behaviour, recognising the changes in children and the importance of supporting children to take avoidance actions. Learn about the benefits of effective communication, the management of behaviour that challenges and the right support for children when there are incidents and challenges.

Location	Start date	Time
East Staffordshire Family Hub, Waterloo Street, Burton, DE14 2NJ	5th June	10:00 - 12:00

To book your place please call the Family Hub directly on **01283 233400**
or email eaststaffsfamilyhub@staffordshire.gov.uk

For more details about the course contact:
joy.peace@southstaffs.ac.uk or call **01543 301198**







OPERATION ENCOMPASS

In every force. In every school. For every child.

Our school is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school, we have ensured that members of our staff known as Key Adults, have been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

On 24 May 2024, Royal Assent was granted to The Victims and Prisoners Act. The Act placed Operation Encompass into Law. This places a statutory obligation on police forces to share Operation Encompass notifications with schools/educational settings.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and through Operation Encompass we will be able to provide the best possible support to our children.





Dear Parents,

I'm really excited to be offering a free *Sleep Support Masterclass* exclusively for Violet Way families!

After reading through your questionnaire responses, it was clear that the biggest challenge many of you are facing is **bedtime battles**—the struggle to get your child to settle calmly at the end of the day. So, this masterclass will focus on just that: helping children wind down and go to bed with less stress (for them *and* for you!).

This session is aimed at parents of children aged **2-5**, but if you have a child in **Year 2**, I would still really encourage you to come along. There'll be tips and strategies you can adapt to suit slightly older children too.

As a qualified sleep consultant—and a mum who's been through it myself—I completely understand how exhausting and overwhelming bedtime struggles can be. Please don't think that just because I'm a teacher, I haven't been there. I absolutely have! I've felt the frustration, the tears (mine and theirs), and the deep exhaustion. That's exactly why I now help other families find calm and confidence around sleep.

The masterclass will take place on **June 26th at 4:00pm**, and I'm so grateful to **Mrs Harris**, who has kindly offered to look after the children in a classroom while the session runs. This means you can come along, relax, and focus—without having to entertain a little one at the same time.

I really hope to see you there. Let's get your evenings back and help your little ones feel more rested and ready for their days.

Warm wishes,

Mrs Ayling

www.lullabybyes.co.uk

Instagram: @lullabybyes_sleepconsultant





SLEEP

Hygiene Poster

Sleep hygiene includes both your sleeping environment and your sleeping behaviour. Good sleep hygiene can impact your wellbeing promoting better quality sleep.

Sleep hygiene includes:

- setting a sleep and wake schedule;
- following a bedtime routine;
- being consistent with healthy habits;
- creating a calm environment for sleep.

Top Tips for Sleep Hygiene

Maintain a Consistent Sleep Routine

Go to bed and wake up at the same times every day, even on your days off and on weekends.

Create a Relaxing Bedtime Routine

Engage in a calming or relaxing activity such as reading, gentle stretching or meditation to calm your mind and body.

Organise Your Sleeping Environment

Clear away clutter and put any laundry away. Have a cool, dark and quiet room to settle down in.

Consider Nutrition

Avoid large meals, caffeine and alcohol a few hours before bedtime. These may cause sleep disturbances, indigestion and headaches.

Limit Screen Exposure

Aim to avoid screens for at least an hour before bedtime. The light emitted from screens can trick your body into thinking it is not time for bed and stimulate your brain.

Clean Bed Linen

It is recommended you change your bedlinen at least every two weeks, and once a week in warmer weather. Rotate and vacuum your mattress each month to keep it fresh too.

Remember, sleep hygiene will not cure sleep problems - it is important to talk to a medical professional about any concerns you have.





Forest School



We care



We are brave



We celebrate individuality



We leave no one behind





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-6/6 4/7

Sports Enrichment Day – 27th May

Reception parent lunch: Arbor to book soon: 1 place Wednesdays-

4th June Badgers

18th June Squirrels

25th Foxes

Parent Stay Forest School-1.45-2.45pm

Woodpeckers-23rd May

Dragonflies-6th June

Busy Bees-13th June

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

Foxes-27th June

Squirrels-4th July

Badgers-11th July

Sports' Day- approx 1 hour at Edge Hill. Letter to follow

10th June- Reception- Leave VW at 9.15 am to walk to Edge Hill

11th June - Y1- Leave VW at 9.15am to walk to Edge Hill

11th June- Y2- Leave VW at 10.40 am to walk to Edge Hill

Year 2 Performances – 8th(afternoon) and 9th(afternoon and evening) July- tickets and times – TBC-

Year 2 Laches Wood Trip – Thursday 17th July

Year 2 Graduation - Friday 18th July - AM





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





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Overcoming the harms caused by alcohol, drugs and gambling



**Family Hub
Staffordshire**

Gaming & Gambling workshop

Developing young people's understanding
about gambling in video games and the
potential dangers to look out for .

Wednesday 28th
May
2.30pm - 3.30pm at
East Staffs Family
Hub

age 10 +
Parents to
accompany young
people



booking advisable by contacting
eaststaffsfamilyhub@staffordshire.gov.uk / 01283 233400