



A Message from Mrs Kee

Despite the shorter week due to the bank holiday, there has been plenty of activity in school. On Tuesday, Reception children had a play and stay session with parents with a focus on keeping teeth healthy. There was also a planned presentation delivered by two community dental nurses, who provided lots of useful information and advice for parents.

Our PE leader, Miss Cullumbine has arranged some Karate taster sessions during the summer term. Every class will have the opportunity to attend a Karate class during a lunchtime session. Two classes have enjoyed this experience so far. Thank you to Miss Cullumbine for organising this experience with the Star Foundation charity.

With sports in mind, we have planned the dates for our sports days in the summer term. These have been slightly amended from the original published dates so please check – further information in this newsletter. Miss Cullumbine is also organising an 'Activ8' day for the end of term for all classes. She has asked each class to vote for which sport they would like to experience for our 'Activ8' day.

This week I have enjoyed watching some PE lessons. I observed children in Year 2 practicing their throwing and catching with accuracy. I was impressed with the feedback they gave each other, which was related to stance, eye gaze and hand position – well done!

Have a lovely weekend, *Mrs Kee*





Attendance

Whole School (this week)	95.75%
Reception	93.96%
Year 1	95.49%
Year 2	97.75%



Merit Award Winners

Our Year 1 pupils were on their trip to Burton today. They certainly had lovely weather for it - I am looking forward to hearing all about it on Monday!

Reception and Year 2 had their Merit assemblies today. As I was attending a Trust strategy meeting, I was unable to present them with their certificates. However, seeing their happy, proud faces in the photographs below has made me smile - Well done from Mrs Kee!

Reception



Year 2



Congratulations to
Owls



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.

Home Awards

Awards this week for swimming, running and Ninja Warrior) and reading – well done!





Reception Play and Stay – Healthy Teeth



We care



Reception children have been learning about the importance of good oral hygiene to keep their smiles healthy! We were delighted to host an event for parents on Tuesday with a presentation from two community dental nurses from Cross Street Dental Clinic. They talked about how to keep children's teeth healthy and provided parents with lots of information, useful advice and free samples. We really appreciate their support and look forward to inviting them back into school next year! After the presentation, there was a play and stay session for parents with lots of activities linked to learning about the teeth.





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Year 2 Trip to the Zoo

Year 2 children visited Twycross Zoo last week. They had a wonderful time and enjoyed seeing the animals and asking questions. Some parents were able to support us and we thank them for helping us to make the trip a success.



Some Year 2 children were a little nervous about going on the trip but they showed our school value 'We are brave' and ended up really enjoying the experience!



**We are
brave**





Sports Days

Our sports days will be held at Paulet High School. They will be held on the field. Parents can go in via the entrance on Stanton road. There has been a slight amendment to the dates that were published in our Diary Dates page and this has now been corrected.

Wednesday 13th July 9:15am-10:30am – YEAR 2

Wednesday 13th July 10:45am-12:00pm – YEAR 1

Thursday 14th July 9:15am-10:30am - RECEPTION



Warm Weather

As the weather gets warmer and the sun is out more often (hopefully) please make sure that children wear a sun hat.

At Violet Way we have a summer uniform to help children stay cool. Children can wear their Violet Way polo shirt, grey skirt or shorts, grey dress or violet check dress.



If the weather is warm, parents should ensure a high factor sun cream is applied to their child before school. Sun cream **should not** be brought into school.

Drop-in session

A letter has been sent out to all parents about the 'Changing Me' unit of our PSHE lessons. This unit will begin in the second half of the summer term. Parents are welcome to attend a drop-in session after school on Wednesday 18th May after school until 4:30pm. If you are unable to attend, but would like some more information, just email the office or your child's class teacher.





FYI - Dates for Academic Year 2022-2023

To help prepare parents fully for the next academic year, we are publishing the term dates and Inset days for your information below.

Autumn Term 2022

Inset day: Monday 5 September

Term starts: Tuesday 6 September

Inset day: Friday 21st October

Holiday: Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October

Term ends: Friday 16 December

Holiday: Monday 19 December – Monday 2 January

Spring Term 2023

Inset day: Tuesday 3 January

Term Starts: Wednesday 4th January

Holiday: Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February

Term ends: Friday 31 March

Holiday: Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 9 April

Summer Term 2023

Inset Day: Monday 17 April

Term starts: Tuesday 18 April

May Day: Monday 1 May

Holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Inset: Monday 19th June

Term ends: Tuesday 25 July

Holiday: Wednesday 26 July – Friday 1 September

We would like to remind all parents that holidays are **not** authorised during term time and should be booked during the school holidays.

We can not authorise any holidays and parents may face fines from the Local Authority if they take their child on holiday during term time.

Violet Way and Edge Hill Inset days 2022-2023

5th September 2022

Friday 21st October 2022

3rd January 2023

17th April 2023

Monday 19th June 2023





Forest School Dates Summer 1

Please add these Forest school dates to your diary for next half term:

Badgers – Monday 25th April, 9th May, 23rd May

Owls – Tuesday 26th April, 10th May, 24th May

Ladybirds – Wednesday 27th April, 11th May, 25th May

Squirrels – Thursday 28th April, 12th May, 26th May

Busy Bees – Friday 29th April, 13th May, 20th May

(last session on 20th May due to Jubilee street party on 27th)

Kestrels - Tuesday 3rd May, 17th May

Dragonflies – Wednesday 4th May, 18th May

Foxes – Thursday 5th May, 19th May

Woodpeckers – Friday 6th May, Monday 16th May

(One session on Friday due to the Monday being a bank holiday)



Parent Library Mornings Summer 1

Week beginning: 9th May

	Parent Session at start of day
Monday	Badgers
Wednesday	Woodpeckers
Thursday	Ladybirds

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	Parent Session at start of day
Monday	Foxes
Wednesday	Kestrels
Thursday	Dragonflies

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love your library





Toddler Group - Reminder

Toddler Group – Starting back on Tuesday 3rd May! (every Tuesday 9:00am-10:30am, £2 per family)

We are planning to start our Parent and Toddler session on Tuesday mornings for parents with pre-school children. These ran very successfully last academic year, prior to the Covid disruption. Mrs Kee has confirmed with Mrs Jo Smith, who runs the sessions, that the sessions can now restart.



The sessions will run **9:00am-10:30am every Tuesday at a cost of £2.00 per family**. The first session will be on **Tuesday 3rd May 2022**. Please go to the side entrance by the steps (adjacent to the sports court). The catering team will supply a plate of fruit and juice for the children and there will be hot drinks and toast available for purchase.

Fierté Festival The Queen's Jubilee *'Happy and Glorious'* - Reminder

Not long to go now. Hopefully you have had chance to start planning your outfits!

On Monday 23rd May all staff and children are to come in 60s decade clothes for the launch of our week of celebrations. The children will be learning and singing songs from this decade and learning to play 60s decade music in Rockit music lessons too.

We have a parent session planned for Thursday 26th May and would like to invite parents into school to make a crown with their child. The times for these sessions are:

Reception – 9am

Year 1 – 10am

Year 2 – 11am

The week will end with a street party celebrating during lunchtime and the afternoon. On this day – Friday 27th May - children are to come to school dressed in red, white and blue.





Dates for your diary

Staffordshire Term Dates 2021-22

Autumn Term 2021

Inset day: Wednesday 1 September

Term Starts: Thursday 2 September

Half Term: Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October

Term ends: Friday 17 December

Holiday: Monday 20 December – Monday 3 January

Spring Term 2022

Inset day: Tuesday 4 January

Term Starts: Wednesday 5 January

Half Term: Monday 21 February – Friday 25 February

Term ends: Thursday 7 April

Inset day: Friday 8 April

Holiday: Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 17 April

Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25 April

May Day: Monday 2 May

Half Term: Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

Term ends: Wednesday 20 July

Holiday: Thursday 21 July – Friday 2 September

Violet Way Inset Days

Wednesday 1st September

Friday 22nd October

Tuesday 4th January

Friday 8th April

Monday 6th June (School closed for Queen's Jubilee)

Monday 20th June



What's Coming Up?

Toddler Group – Tuesday 3rd May (every Tuesday 9:00am-10:30am, £2 per family)

Drop-in session for Jigsaw PSHE Changing Me after school until 4:30pm Wednesday 18th May

Fierte Festival (Queen's Jubilee) launch Monday 23rd May – dress up in '60s decade clothes

Queen's Jubilee Parent Sessions – Thursday 26th May – Reception: 9am Year 1: 10am Year 2: 11am

Queen's Jubilee Dress up – Friday 27th May – Dress in Red, white and blue

May Half term holiday – w/c Monday 30th May

School closed for Queen's Jubilee - Monday 6th June

Summer 2 Starts – Tuesday 7th June

Y2 KINGSWOOD - Wednesday 6th July to Friday 8th July

Y2 BREWHOUSE performance – Tuesday 19th July

Sports Days –

Year Reception – Thursday 14th July at 9:15am

Year 1 – Wednesday 13th July at 10:45am

Year 2 – Wednesday 13th July at 9:15am

Reports to Parents – Friday 15th July

Last day of Term – Wednesday 20th July

