



A Message from Mrs Kee

This week I have been delighted to award Headteacher awards to children across the school for excellent writing, pencil portraits of Queen Victoria, super scissor skills, terrific teamwork and imaginative creations. Well done!

The whole staff team were so proud of the children's Rock it! music performances this week. To perform musical pieces so confidently in front of a large audience would be intimidating for anyone but they did it with composure and professionalism – amazing to see from such little ones. Thank you to Mrs Baugh for teaching the children this year, they have learnt so much and I know they enjoy their weekly music lessons. Children in Year 2 have been practicing for their end of Year 2 production at the Brewhouse. It looks like you are going to be in for a treat!

We have had several transition events this week, including Year 2's visit to Edge Hill on Thursday for a tour with their new teachers and our current YR and Y1 pupils met their new teachers in their new classrooms today. There is more detail in their week's newsletter about transition and information about your child's new class and teacher.

Although there only a few school weeks left, there is plenty in the calendar! Please check the dates for transition, sports days and Year 2 performances.

Have a lovely weekend. Remember it's non-school uniform day on Monday – bring a bottle for the PTA Bingo! Thanks, *Mrs Kee*





Attendance

Whole School (this week)	93.51%
Reception	92.09%
Year 1	93.77%
Year 2	94.64%

Congratulations to

Kestrels

for being the class with the joint
highest attendance
this week! Well done
for your fantastic attendance
this week.



Home Awards

This week our little Cheerleading Superstars brought in their medals to show me – such a great achievement! We also had a swimming award – look how proud they all are. Well done!



Merit Assembly

Congratulations to all of our Merit Award winners this week. Well done!

Reception



Year 1



Year 2





Classes for September

Children currently in Reception and Year 1 have met their new teachers for September today. Their new teacher has read them a story in their new classroom. This has helped to alleviate some of their worries, and they are mostly excited about September! There will always be some nerves, but our transition plans should support them.

On Tuesday 5th July, there will be another opportunity for the current YR and Y1 to spend a little longer in their new classes with their new class teachers. The session will be for approximately one hour and the teachers have planned some lovely activities for them.

Then on Friday 15th July there will be a final chance for our YR and Y1 children to spend time with their new class teachers all afternoon.

For your information, the classes for September are as outlined below and on the next page:

Year 1



Foxes will be moving to Busy Bees and their class teacher will be Mrs Draycott.



Badgers will be moving to Ladybirds and their class teacher will be Miss Smith.



Squirrels will be moving to Dragonflies and their class teacher will be Mrs Magill.





Classes for September

Year 2



Busy Bees will be moving to Kestrels and their class teachers will be Mrs Ayling and Mrs Fairbrother.

Ladybirds will be moving to Owls and their class teacher will be Miss Nicholls.

Dragonflies will be moving to Woodpeckers and their class teacher will be Mr Malcolm.

Soon to be Year 3!

Our children currently in Year 2 have been to visit Edge Hill this week and enjoyed a tour of the school with their new class teachers. They will be going again on Tuesday next week in the morning and staying for lunch. We are sure they will have a wonderful time!





This week the children in Year 1 were visited by [Active Sport](#) for an assembly about different types of sports that help to keep children active and healthy. One of our children was really brave and tried zorbing! The children really enjoyed the presentation. Active Sport offer a range of activities and clubs during the school holidays and children brought home a leaflet all about it. You can find out more by clicking the link [here](#).





Rock it! Performances





A Viking Welcome!



This morning we were visited by a Viking! He greeted children and parents at the gate. He also led an assembly and taught the children about King Alfred the Great's warrior and how they walked through the swamp to strengthen their legs. He promoted walking to school and talked about how walking makes you healthier and stronger.





Viking Assembly



During the assembly this morning our special Viking visitor got the Y1 and Y2 children involved in role play - They thought it was brilliant!



Thanks to
[@allthehistory](#)
for an amazing
performance
and for
encouraging
lots of
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participation!



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Reception Science Day

This week Reception children enjoyed experimenting during their Science day!





Summer Reading Challenge 2022

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Beginning 9 July in libraries across Staffordshire. Children across Staffordshire are invited to join the Summer Reading Challenge in libraries this summer. **This year's theme is Gadgeteers.** The Reading Agency have teaming up with the Science Museum Group for a very special science-themed Challenge that will inspire you to use your imagination and creativity!

How to take part in the challenge

- Visit 1 - From Saturday 9 July visit your local library to join the challenge. You will receive a poster and a set of stickers. Borrow 3 books, they can be any book you like and take them home to read!
- Visit 2 - Once you have read your 3 books visit your local library to return them, and borrow 3 more! Collect your second set of stickers. Did you remember to sign up for an event or activity too!
- Visit 3 - Complete your challenge! Return your books and collect your certificate, medal, bookmark and stickers. The reading fun doesn't have to stop there! Why not borrow some more books and continue to be a reading champion!





The Summer Reading Challenge – Mini Challenge aged 0 – 3

The Mini Challenge is a bite sized version of the Summer Reading Challenge for our youngest readers. Children collect stickers on a special collector card for the books they borrow and read.

How does the mini challenge work?

- Sign up at your local library
- Choose any books your child likes
- Share the stories together
- Collect a sticker for each book
- Collect 5 stickers to finish and earn a gold medal sticker

Once again this year Burton Library will be holding the Burton Summer Reading Challenge Cup competition for schools. The school having the highest number of pupils completing the Summer Reading Challenge compared to the total number of pupils in the school will win the trophy to host in school for 2022/2023 academic year. We have won this before and would love to win this again especially as we would be able to choose £100 of books which would be a great addition to our new library.

For more information go to the Summer Reading Challenge website:
[Summer Reading Challenge](#)





Year 2 - Production and Graduation

Brewhouse Production

Parents were able to request tickets from the start of this week and within the first two minutes, we had already received 40 responses!

There are just a few tickets left for the evening performance if anyone still needs any. We also have some seats available in the afternoon too and we will be offering these to the local retirement home next week, so please let us know on Monday if you require any tickets.

Parents have indicated that they would like to purchase a DVD of the performance. As such, we have arranged for the Y2's Brewhouse production to be filmed and made into DVDs for you to purchase! These will cost £13 per DVD and ARE available to purchase on ParentPay from now!

Brewhouse logistics

On Tuesday 19th July, for the Matinee performance, we will take children to the Brewhouse on a coach. If you have bought tickets for the Matinee, you can take your child home after the performance, or for anyone not attending, we will bring them back on the coach to be collected from school at normal time, but we will send more info out about this soon. For the evening performance please drop your children off for 6pm & keep any face paint on from the earlier performance. If anyone doesn't want their child to have face paint put on please let us know.

Year 2 Graduation

Graduation photos will be taken of the Year 2 children and are available to buy at a cost of £1 for 2 photos. Photos are paid for via ParentPay. Year 2 children will take part in a Graduation on the last day of term

Wednesday 20th July. We hope many parents will be able to attend.



Y2 Graduation is on Wednesday 20th July at the following times:

Kestrels – 9.15am

Owls – 10am

Woodpeckers – 10.45am

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BINGO - REMINDER – Non school uniform on Monday – bring a bottle

NON SCHOOL UNIFORM ON MONDAY 4TH JULY – BRING A BOTTLE FOR THE BOTTLE BINGO!

Our PTA are running another fundraising event this half term. **They will be hosting an adults only Bottle Bingo evening on Thursday 7th July.** Doors will open at 6:30pm and eyes down at 7:00pm.



Tickets will be £5 per adult and this will include entry and 1 Bingo book. Tickets are being sold on ParentPay. There are a limited number of tickets available. There will be additional Bingo books available to buy on the evening and there will also be a raffle drawn!

After School Stalls

Our PTA will also be holding some stalls after school in July on **Friday 8th July** and **Friday 15th July**, starting from 3pm outside the green gates. There will be packets of sweets on sale, bubble wands, uniform and more!

Uniform for September

We know that many of you will already be thinking about uniform for September. Please access the information about our school uniform on our website by clicking [here](#) or click on the 'Uniform' page on the Parent Tab on our website. The 'Uniform' page also includes a copy of our new uniform policy. We have a number of uniform suppliers you can contact, and items can also be purchased from high street retailers and supermarkets. The PTA has a collection of donated uniform, in good condition, which parents can collect from school. You will be able to get uniform from the PTA stalls on the gates during the summer term.



If we have any parents that would like to donate used uniform in good condition (it needs to be washed and ironed too!), please let the PTA know.





Sports Days – Reminder of dates and times

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. Parents can stand on the bank or bring a blanket or chair if you would prefer to sit.

PE kits will be sent home on Monday 4th July for children in Year 2 going to Kingswood, along with their wellies. PE kit for the rest of Year 2, Year 1 and Reception will be sent home on Friday 8th July. **For the sports days, children should wear their PE kit to school.**

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

Forest School Dates and Wellies!

Final Forest School Sessions are next week. Year 2 will have an additional Forest School session on Friday 15th July.

For the Year 2 children that are going to Kingswood, we will send their wellies home as they may need them for the trip.

All children's wellies will be sent home on Friday 15th July.

Week 2: 4th July

Monday pm	Tuesday pm	Wednesday pm	Thursday pm	Friday pm
Year 2 Woodpeckers	Year 2 Kestrels	Year 1 Dragonflies	Reception Foxes	



Library and Reading Books

Our Parent Library morning sessions have now finished for the term.

Please can you make sure that ALL library books and reading books are returned to school before the end of term. Please check under beds, in cupboards and anywhere else they might be hidden at home! Thank you.

Our new carpet in the library is being fitted in the holiday!





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

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

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.





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

Non school uniform day – Bring a bottle and wear your own clothes! Monday 4th July

PTA Bottle Bingo - Thursday 7th July (doors open at 6:30pm)

Y2 KINGSWOOD - Wednesday 6th to Friday 8th July

After School Stalls - Friday 8th July and Friday 15th July (bubbles, sweets, uniform on sale)

Y2 BREWHOUSE performances @ 1:30pm and 6:30pm – 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

Y2 Graduation - Wednesday 20th July

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Last day of Term – Wednesday 20th July

