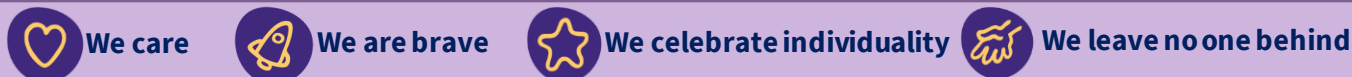




Summer Term



A Message from Mrs. Harris

What a wonderful week we have had! Our mindful focus has been engagement and we have been challenging the pupils to carefully consider a goal and the steps they would take to achieve it. Some pupils have excitedly told me that the goal for them is to improve football, swim without arm-bands, climb a tree or to know number bonds. Please do talk to your child about this and help them make a plan, as a goal without a plan is simply a wish!

Year two pupils this week made us proud at the visit to the zoo and they certainly enjoyed the day. They were a shining example, and it was noted by many that they showed all our values.

It is lovely as I continue to find my feet at Violet Way and get to know the pupils, staff and community, I have been made to feel so welcome and look forward to developing this further.

Mrs. Harris

What does my child do all day?

When my boys were younger, I used to get frustrated that they would not tell me about their day, or when I asked what they had done they would say 'nothing' or 'played'. We started to talk about 2 stars and a wish, and we got into a habit of saying 2 things that happened that day that made them smile (stars) and then one thing that they would do differently or change (a wish). After a few weeks of doing this myself, my boys got into a habit of exploring the day a bit more.





Attendance

Whole school (this week)	95.13%
Reception	92.95%
Year 1	96.89%
Year 2	95.52%



We care



We are brave



We



Congratulations to

Ladybirds**97.9%****WELL DONE!**

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

Home Achievements



Lunchtime Awards



Achievements

Congratulations! These children have been awarded certificates for following our Golden Rules and demonstrating our school values.

Reception



Year 1



Year 2

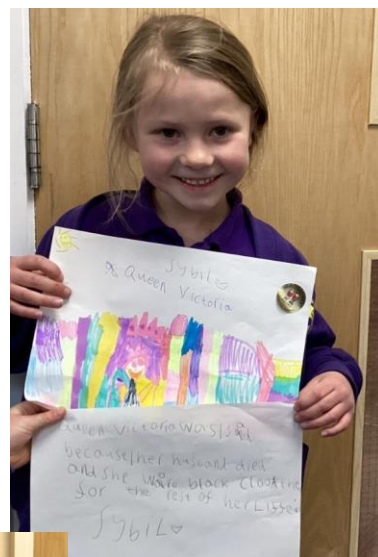
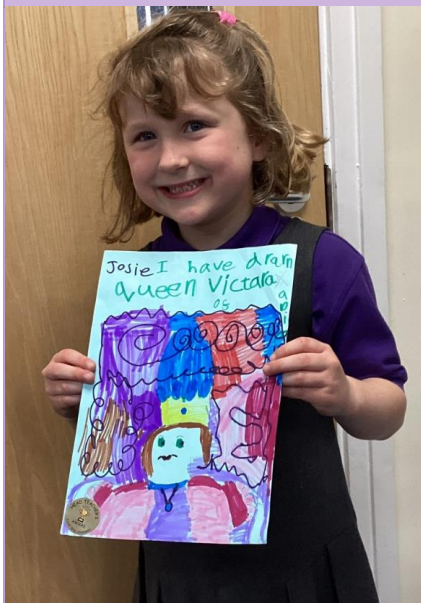


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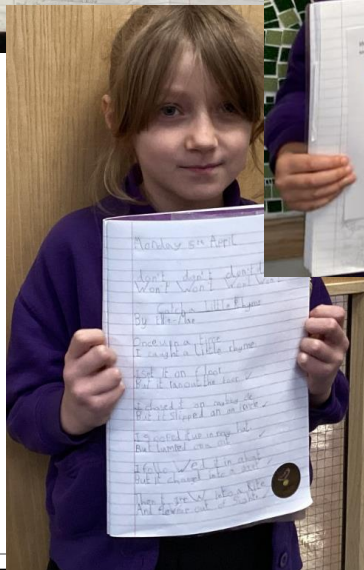
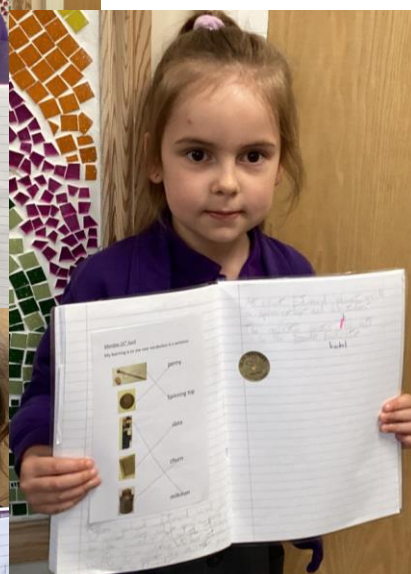
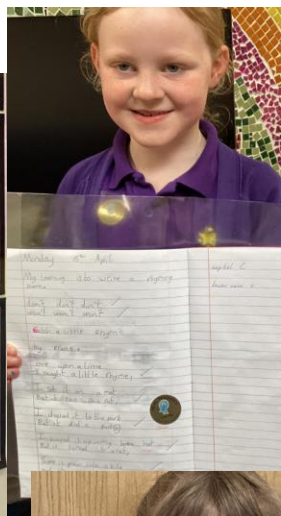
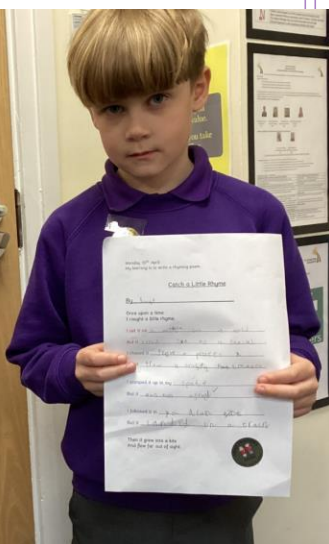
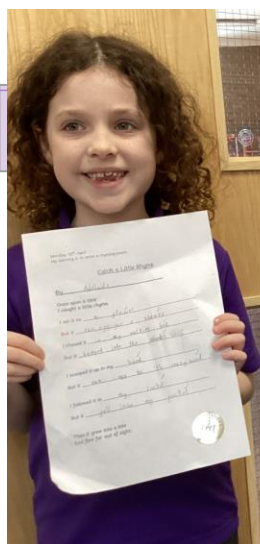
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- [Cleaning Supervisor](#)

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Parent forest school session



As already stated in the dates section, our Parent Forest School sessions will take place during your child's normal session w/b 13th May and 20th May. Please arrive at 2pm and dress according to the weather – it can get quite muddy in the forest! I am sure that you will enjoy taking part!

Violet Way have won the Tesco 'Food Waste Poster Competition'

Well done to all involved!



May Day



Reception and Year 2 parents, please encourage your child to make a Maypole- if you need any ideas or support, please ask your class teacher and we will help.

Well done to the Reading Ambassadors who read a story to the other classes today. You showed one of our 'Reach for the Stars' qualities by being brave.



Tuesday 7th May

Reception: 9.15am

Maypole parade in the woodland

Year 1: 10am - Dragonflies

10.30am- Busy Bees

11am- Ladybirds

Short maypole dance and song- top carpark

Year 2: 3.00pm Maypole visit to classroom, song and parent parade with child to leave school- EYFS and year 1 feel free to watch





Year Two Visit to Twycross Zoo



Have a look at these wonderful photographs that were taken at Twycross Zoo on Wednesday. The children behaved impeccably and had a marvellous time! They wrote recounts about the trip at the end of the week. Have a read on the next page of one of them. Well done Year 2!





Year Two Visit to Twycross Zoo

On Wednesday 17th April we all went to Twycross Zoo because we are learning about animals. We walked to a big red bus and sat next to our partners.

Firstly, we saw the furry brown monkeys and they went haywire everywhere. After that we saw zebras and they had beautiful black and white stripes and ate yummy hay. We also saw the fast meerkats who were so cute. Then we saw long, tall giraffes that ate leaves that were hanging from the ceiling. After a wonderful morning, we stopped to have lunch. Once I had finished, I went to play on the yellow slide. Then we went across a wooden bridge to the Gibbon House. The gibbons were fighting and they were so fluffy that I wanted to feel them. Next, we went to the Butterfly House and they had pretty colours like blue and pink. We saw some amazing blue birds somewhere on the ceiling. We saw a big goat munching on hay.

Then we went to the Gruffalo Trail and we saw a mouse first with the snake coming to him at the end. My favourite thing was the zebras.

Written by Holly in Kestrels, Year 2

Well done Holly for writing all about the trip so well. You managed to include lots of things, and I hope that you enjoyed it!

Thursday 18th April

Thursday 18th and Friday 19th April

My learning is to write a recount.

Written in the past tense.

write in First person

write in order of the day

Use adjectives

Use time connectives

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Library and Forest School Dates

Parent Library Mornings – Summer Term

Parents are invited to join their child, every three weeks for a parent library session. Gates will open 5 minutes earlier (at 8:40am) 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. Please see dates below for your child's parent library session.

Reception - Tuesdays

Foxes	9/4	30/4	21/5	18/6
Squirrels	16/4	7/5	4/6	25/6
Badgers	23/4	14/5	11/6	2/7

Year 1 - Thursdays

Dragonflies	11/4	2/5	23/5	20/6
Ladybirds	18/4	9/5	6/6	27/6
Busy Bees	25/4	16/5	13/6	4/7

Year 2 – Wednesdays

Kestrels	10/4	1/5	22/5	19/6
Owls	17/4	8/5	5/6	26/6
Woodpeckers	24/4	15/5	12/6	3/7

Forest School Sessions – Summer Term

Week 1:

Monday – Dragonflies

Tuesday – Owls

Wednesday - Badgers

Thursday – Kestrels

Friday – Foxes

These class will have Forest School Afternoons on the days above during the following weeks: 15/4, 29/4, 13/5 (parent session), 3/6, 17/6 and 1/7.

Week 2:

Monday – Ladybirds

Tuesday – Woodpeckers

Thursday – Squirrels

Friday – Busy Bees

These class will have Forest School Afternoons on the days above during the following weeks: 8/4, 22/4, 6/5, 20/5 (parent session), 10/6, 24/6 and 8/7.





Dates for your diary

Staffordshire Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

Inset day: Monday 4 September

Term starts: Tuesday 5 September

Half term Holiday: Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November

Term ends: Friday 22 December

Holiday: Monday 25 December - Friday 5 January

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 January

Half term Holiday: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Term Ends: Friday 22 March

Holiday: Monday 25 March – Friday 5 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 31 March

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Half term Holiday: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

Holiday: Monday 22nd July – Friday 30 August

Please also make a note of our planned INSET days

for next academic year at Violet Way:

Violet Way Inset Days

Monday 4th September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Monday 8th January 2024

Friday 21st June 2024

Monday 22nd July (disaggregated)



What's Coming Up?

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

Reception Disco – Wednesday 24th April -
5-6pm

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 6th May

May Day celebrations – Tuesday 7th May

Reception - 9am

Year 1 - 10am

(10 am - Dragonflies

10.30am- Busy Bees

11am- Ladybirds)

Year 2 - 3pm

Year 2 Laches Wood Trip – Wednesday 8th May

Parent Forest School Sessions - w/c 13th May
and 20th May

Year 1 Victorian Day – Friday 10th May

Reception Conkers Trip – Thursday 16th May

Break up for Half-Term – 24th May

Summer Fayre – Thursday 20th June –
3.30 - 5pm

Year 2 Leavers' Disco – Wednesday 10th July –
5-6pm





What is safeguarding?

Ensures that every child, regardless of their age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation, has a right to equal protection from harm.

Safeguarding is the steps that people take to protect children and vulnerable people from harm.

Examples of safeguarding concerns to look out for:



Physical

A group of children start pushing or hitting a smaller child when an adult is not looking



Emotional

You see a crying child run towards their parent who responds in a harsh manner using inappropriate language



Sexual

A teenage girl walking home is catcalled and harassed, or being touched without consent



Neglect

You see a child wearing the same dirty clothes everyday and who steals food from other children



How can you help?

If you ever see anything happen to a child that makes you feel uncomfortable, please let your safeguarding lead / person know. You are not causing problems but it could save a child from unnecessary harm.

Any one of these things might not mean anything, but if your safeguarding lead / person isn't told, then they can't help.

We appreciate that sometimes the holidays can be challenging but you can get help.

Helplines

Childline call 0800 1111

Young Minds text 85258

Samaritans call 116 123

Shout crisis messenger text 85258

Is this OK? online chatbot and 1-2-1 chat

Domestic Abuse helpline call 0808 2000 247

Safeguarding

If you are worried about an adult or a child, it is important that you report it immediately.

For emergencies and immediate danger call 999 for police assistance. For concerns about a child in Staffordshire call 0300 111 8007. Emergency out of hours: 0345 604 2886.

