

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



*'Hand in hand, we love,
learn and achieve'*

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Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. 1 Timothy 4:15

*Quote
the Week*

"Yesterday was the last day on the calendar of the past. Tomorrow will be the first day on the calendar of the future. Today is both the first and the last day of the present. Use it well." Israelmore Ayivor

DIARY DATES

2020	LATEST ITEMS SHOWN IN RED
12.10.20 & 14.10.20	PARENTS EVENING (VIRTUAL)
19.10.20	PTA PUMPKIN FUN COMPETITION CLOSURES
20.10.20	VIRTUAL OPEN MORNING (NEW INTAKE)
23.10.20	LAST DAY OF TERM
02.11.20	TERM STARTS
04.11.20	NON UNIFORM DAY—CHRISTMAS RAFFLE PRIZES PTA
27.11.20	CHRISTINGLE SERVICE 2.30PM
08.12.20	CHRISTMAS LUNCH
14.12.20	CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE PM
15.12.20	CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE AFTERNOON
16.12.20	FLU VACCINATION
17.12.20	ENRICHMENT DAY
18.12.20	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
18.12.20	LAST DAY OF TERM
04.01.21	INSET DAY
05.01.21	TERM STARTS

HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

From last week: Betty, Frankie, Bella, Noah, Abigail, Afeni, Oscar, Samuel P

Green Star	Bronze Star	Silver Star	Gold Star

Bronze Cup	Silver Cup	Gold Cup
Bronze Medal	Silver medal	

OF THE WEEK

Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
*all awards for this week will be covered in next week's newsletter and worship due to the Harvest Festival taking place this week—many thanks		

EXTENDED SCHOOL CLUBS OF THE WEEK

W/C	SCHOOL CLUBS

We have had a lovely week in the run up to our harvest festivals which were absolutely beautiful despite being on Zoom. We were so pleased to have filmed our reception children in church to play during the Zoom service and for parents to keep so that they did not miss their child's first school harvest. It was also lovely to see them and our new children in school presented with their bibles. Some great singing (filmed outside), instrument playing, readings and prayers. A lovely event!



Please see the link below for Needwood Reception Harvest Video in church to keep! Click here to [Download Attachment Available until 30 Oct 2020](#) and Reception children receiving bibles in church Click here to [Download Attachment Available until 31 Oct 2020](#)

We would also like to say a huge thank you for all the generous Harvest donations received in school—we will be taking this to the YMCA next week!

Ralph continues to be a source of love, support and fun for our children. A group at Rangemore enjoyed bathing him yesterday.

Needwood's turn in a couple of weeks! You can watch the video on Instagram!



Thank you for completing the computing and connectivity survey. It was really useful information and we can now look to being targeted in our support.

We look forward to next week, it looks like a lovely settled one for all. Have a good weekend, Mrs C Gethin.

PARENTS EVENING

All Parents Evening 10 minute slots have now been emailed to you, if you have not received your slot please do let the office know—they will be able to confirm this for you. We will be using Microsoft Teams to run our virtual parents evening this time. Please don't worry! You do not need to download an app or install anything unless you want to - you can use the web based version. What we do ask is that you add your name which is recognisable to your child as we will be admitting people into the meeting room for their time slot and may have others in the lobby and we need to know who is who! Links to the meeting will be emailed out nearer to the time.

SCHOOL LUNCHES—HOT MEALS AND TUCK PRICE CHANGES

We are delighted to see more of our children enjoying warm school meals again! We will be running the week 3 menu next week - your child will just need to order their lunch with their class teacher during morning register. Don't forget children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 automatically get free school meals. For anyone in year 3 or above they are priced at £2.34 payable on ParentPay.

We are also able to offer a limited choice of snacks at break times each morning that include Pancakes (40p), Toast (20p) or Milkshakes (60p) - please note the prices are slightly different to those advertised on last week's Newsletter. Snacks are cash only please and please provide children with the exact change where possible. Thank you.

WEEK 3 05.10.20				
DAILY FAVOURITES	Try something different!	HOT SPECIALS	SIDES	PICK A PUDD!
Packed Lunch Ham or Cheese Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Cheese & Beans	Sausage and Mash with Gravy Fully cooked pasta with your favourite sauce and red curry	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Dough Balls Cheese and Tomato Pesto Pasta	Salad Yogurt and milk Fresh fruit	Raspberry Yogurt Cake with Fruit Slices Shortbread with Custard and Fruit Slices
Packed Lunch Ham or Cheese Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Cheese & Beans	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Meaty roast chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Burger with Roast Potatoes and Gravy A traditional Quorn meat with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Freshly baked bread Yogurt and milk Fresh fruit	Flapjack with Fruit Slices Chocolate Brownies and Chopped Apricots
Packed Lunch Ham or Cheese Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings Cheese & Beans	Favourite Beef Lasagne with a Garlic & Herb Bread Wedge A chunky butter beef in a cheese sauce	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips Crispy Fish Fingers and Potatoes	Haked Beans Fresh Carrots Vanilla Ice Cream with Fruit Slices	Vanilla Ice Cream with Fruit Slices
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CHILDREN COLLECTION

A gentle reminder that if your child is going home with somebody different please could you let the office know so that we can update the collection sheet. If there is any changes after lunch time please can you give us a call as we may not always pick up emails in this time before home time. Many thanks for your help.

COVID ADVICE FOR PARENTS

We have re-attached the advice for parents re Covid and what you need to do—please find it attached to our newsletter

MUSIC TUTION



Earlier in the week an email went out to you regarding keyboard lessons in school with Mr Mansfield of Excel

Music Please see the attached letter from Mr Mansfield who offers electronic keyboard lessons, If you are interested (for children in year 1 or above) please see the details in the letter for further information and the contact details for Mr Mansfield if you have any questions.

VIRTUAL OPEN MORNINGS



Thank you so much for your interest in our school. We look forward to our open day and, whilst we will not be able to enable face to face visits, we will be offering a virtual tour by way of a video. We will offer a live Zoom for questions and answers with the offer of an individual phone call to follow up any further, family specific questions. Please ensure we have your email address so we can send you the link to the video tour and Zoom Q&A. We so look forward to meeting you!

Mrs Charlotte Gethin (Executive Headteacher)

Our new intake open morning for new reception children will take place virtually on Tuesday 20th October with a video tour and live zoom session—if you know any families that may be interested please do ask them to get in touch with us and we can send them all the details.

All Saint's, Rangemore virtual open morning will take place on Thursday 22nd October.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL UNIFORM PROVIDER

We are pleased to inform you that WB Schoolwear will also be stocking school uniform for Needwood Primary School—please visit their website below should you require any school uniform.

WB Schoolwear, 20 Bells End Road, Walton on trent, DE12 8ND. Tel : 01283 711 538

Monday-Thursday 9.00am-5.00pm

Friday-Saturday 9.00am-4.00pm www.wbglobaltrading.co.uk

FLU VACCINATION

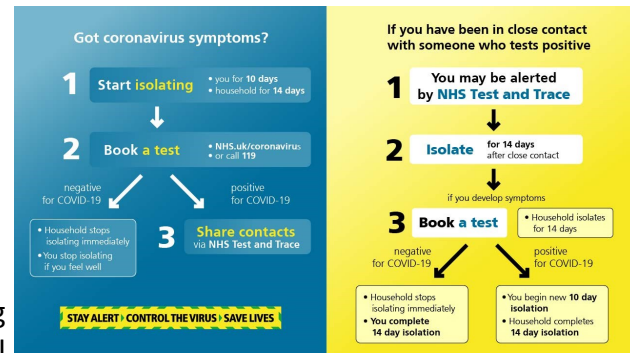
Flu can be horrible for young children and they can easily pass it on to those around them who could be vulnerable - even if they don't show any symptoms. The free flu nasal spray is the best way to protect your child and can prevent the spread of the virus.

Children who get flu have the same symptoms as adults – including fever, chills, aching muscles, headache, stuffy nose, dry cough and sore throat. Vaccinating children can protect both them and those around them who are at high risk of serious complications if they get flu. For most children the flu vaccine is not an injection, just a quick painless nasal spray.

Social distancing and safety measures are in place in schools to prevent the spread of COVID-19 when giving the vaccine. The team will be in school on the 16th December 2020 to offer this service—consent forms should be out shortly.

PTA

On the 9th of October you will find on your see saw app a printable pumpkin sheet. We ask you and your children to be as creative as you like to complete the pumpkin by taking a photo of it and returning it via seesaw app. Competition closes Monday 19th October. A winner will be chosen from each class





Flu can kill - Healthy children in Staffordshire have died from flu

The nasal spray vaccine (or injection for some children) is simple, safe, free and effective.

Child vaccination

- All children aged 2 to 11 years old risk a flu infection
- As a flu infection risk of complications to children is higher
- The vaccine is simple, safe, free and effective

What can you do to get your child vaccinated?

- Contact your GP or your child's school. Your child will need to be aged two or three years old (or the 31 August of the current flu season) and you haven't had it before.
- If your child is at primary school, the school will send you a leaflet and consent form. Please sign the form and return it to the school.
- If your child has a health condition that puts them at greater risk from flu, or lives with someone on the high risk Patient List, they can get the flu vaccine from their GP.
- The vaccine contains a preservative free of parabens, gelatin, and egg proteins.
- If you would like your child to receive an alternative form for flu vaccine, your GP should be able to provide this.

FLU Here are the facts:

- Flu is a common virus that can cause illness in children.
- It is caused by the influenza virus.
- It is spread by droplets from the nose or mouth when someone coughs or sneezes.
- It can also be spread by touching surfaces that someone who is ill has touched.
- It is not spread by pets.
- It is not spread by food.
- It is not spread by air.
- It is not spread by water.
- It is not spread by insects.
- It is not spread by plants.
- It is not spread by animals.
- It is not spread by humans.
- It is not spread by birds.
- It is not spread by fish.
- It is not spread by reptiles.
- It is not spread by amphibians.
- It is not spread by fungi.
- It is not spread by bacteria.
- It is not spread by viruses.
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For further information go to: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/flu-vaccination/child-flu-vaccine/>

**WHAT AN EXCITING FOREST SCHOOL SESSION THIS WEEK.
WE VISITED THE DEER PARK AT HOAR CROSS AND HAVE TO THANK THE PRINCE FAMILY AND ZOE FOR ALL THEIR HARD
WORK, TIME AND FREE REFRESHMENTS FOR THE CHILDREN.
I HAVE TO SAY THE CHILDREN BEHAVED IMPECTABLY AND LEARNT A LOT.**

WE WERE TAKEN AROUND THE MILKING PARLOUR AND SAW, YOUNG CALVES,



AND A MOTHER WITH HER DAY-OLD CALF.

**WE WERE ALSO TAKEN INTO THE FEEDING AND MILKING PARLOUR AND LEARNT THAT BEING A FARMER IS A VERY BUSY
JOB. THE COW SHED IS CLEANED AT LEAST THREE TIMES A DAY. THE CHILDREN WERE SHOWN HOW THE MILK WAS
TRANSPORTED TO THE LARGE MILK CONTAINER WHERE THE MILK TEMPERATURE HAD TO BE REDUCED AS QUICKLY AS
POSSIBLE IN ORDER FOR THE MILK TO REMAIN FRESH AND GERM FREE.**



THEY FINISHED UP BEING GIVEN A DIAGRAM OF THE INSIDE OF THE COW SHOWING THAT THEY HAD FOUR STOMACHS



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS—OPTIMISTIC OCTOBER

Life is far from perfect, but there are lots of reasons for optimism. Setting positive goals for the future gives our lives a sense of direction and purpose. And although we face many challenges there are also lots of reasons to stay hopeful. By consciously choosing our priorities we can overcome issues, make progress and focus on what really matters. Take a look at the Optimistic October calendar for some ideas of how to stay positive.

AIMING HIGH

Some more Aiming High activities have been added to their website at the link below:

<https://www.staffordshireconnects.info/kb5/staffordshire/directory/results.action?localofferchannel=6-1-8&sr=0&nh=10>



Let Us Play Cycling Club

We provide cycling to support children with SEND at Aldersley Leisure Village on Monday Evenings 6-7pm.

Sessions cost £2 per week.

In order to attend you will be required to become a member of Let US Play.

Please contact 01902 546258 or

claire@lupwolverhampton.org.uk

for further information and to book.

Activities are open to children and young people with a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND) from Staffordshire and their families. Please see the attached document to our newsletter for further information

Cycling activities -Let Us Play would like to invite you to join their Monday evening Cycling Club at Aldersley Leisure Village – full details are included in the attached poster.

This is not an Aiming High activity and so if you would like to take part or have any questions please contact Let Us Play directly on 01902 546258 or email Claire@lupwolverhampton.org.uk

WEA—ADULT LEARNING

“It's a difficult time but we are still online and delivering courses for communities. As ever courses are free for unwaged people (or those in receipt of tax credits). We have a rolling programme with local and regional tutors offering a range of courses from recreational to digital skills and employability”

<https://www.wea.org.uk/west-midlands/browse-all-our-courses-west-midlands>

Parish News

Please see the attached document for services during October 2020



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School information can be provided in different languages, large print, simple text only or Braille.

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NEEDWOOD



ALL SAINTS

