

# FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



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

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**Friday 9th October 2020**

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

*Quote  
the Week*

*Life is full of beauty. Notice it. Notice the bumble bee, the small child, and the smiling faces. Smell the rain, and feel the wind. Live your life to the fullest potential, and fight for your dreams. - Ashley*

## DIARY DATES

2020	LATEST ITEMS SHOWN IN RED
12.10.20	SCHOOL PROMOTIONAL VIDEO FILMING IN SCHOOL—CLASS 2 TO COME IN UNIFORM NOT PE KIT
13.10.20	CLASS 2 TO COME IN PE KITS ON TUESDAY FOR THIS WEEK ONLY
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)
21.10.20	SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH ORDERS DUE BACK
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

Sebastian, May, Daisy, Joseph, Mishka, Tallulah

**Green Star**



**Bronze Star**



**Silver Star**



Charlotte

**Gold Star**



**Bronze Cup**



**Silver Cup**



**Gold Cup**



**Bronze Medal**



**Silver medal**



## OF THE WEEK

**Class 1**

02.10.20—Finn— for achieving yet again in his weekly test as well as writing independently! Congratulations Finn, your hard work is paying off!

09.10.2020—Paige— Her confidence is really starting to grow, she is so kind to the other children and is pushing herself in all areas of her learning

**Class 2**

02.10.20—William H—For his excellent writing. William carefully chose vocabulary for maximum effect and he produced an engaging and entertaining story— well done!

Frankie—For his amazing work so far this term; he has been focused in lessons and confident with his written work choosing fantastic vocabulary and thinking carefully about accurately punctuating his work .

**Class 3**

02.10.20—Austin—Austin is such a helpful and kind member of class 3. He shares his wonderful understanding of Maths with the whole class and is a considerate friend to everyone

09.10.20—William T—For his positive outlook and 'can do' approach in English and Maths. William is cheerful, hardworking and willing to contribute his ideas to class discussion

## EXTENDED SCHOOL CLUBS OF THE WEEK

02.10.20—Jack A—For always being so kind and considerate to others, he never leaves anybody on their own

09.10.20—Oscar—For making the best of any situation even when he is the only one in his bubble

W/C	SCHOOL CLUBS

## **THIS WEEK IN FOCUS**

It's been a good week! The curriculum this week has been rather 'normal.' Staff and children have now 'got their teeth' into it and we feel everyone has settled well. We have now assessed where all the children are and have plans in place to support their learning effectively, it's been a really positive week.

I'm sure we aren't particularly vain but, on Monday you may want your child to be extra specially spruced up because we are filming for a promotional video for open day as we are unable to open our doors to prospective parents. We are really excited about this prospect and hope for a bright, sunny day too.

We also look forward to our Teams parents consultation evening and we hope you find them positive and useful. Some information has been provided in this newsletter to help you get on promptly.

We are again grateful to our families for their donations for the YMCA as part of our harvest and also to the YMCA for collecting it all because there was so much!

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week!

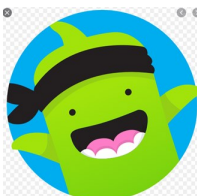
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## **WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO**

### **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 who can confirm this with 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! We have attached a 'how to' guide to the newsletter and the meeting invite will be emailed to you all shortly. We will email the link to Monday's Parent's evening today (Friday) and Wednesday's links will be emailed out on Monday—please do let the office if you have not received the link to the meeting.



### **CLASS DOJO COMMUNICATION**

We are thrilled that our communication mechanisms seem to be meeting the vast majority of parent's needs (we appreciate some think that the newsletter is too long which is why we have split it up into sections including 'what you need to know' so that you can read what is necessary and leave the rest.

We also realise that some parents prefer to communicate on the Dojo App instead of e-mails. This means that many messages for the office are going to teachers and senior leaders. So, in order to refine how this works we have set up an office contact on each Dojo so that any office / admin items can be directed to them save teaching staff and senior leaders copying and pasting messages to the office or chasing answers. We hope this is a refinement which will be useful both for parents and school staff. You can still use email and this is still the preferred approach for office staff.

## **SCHOOL PROMOTIONAL VIDEO RECORDING AND CLASS 2 CHANGE TO PE DAY**

As mentioned above on Monday (12th October) we will be videoing our school for our virtual open morning and for any prospective parents as we are currently unable to invite parents into school on a face to face basis. Please can class 2 come in school uniform on this day (Monday 12th October). PE will instead take place on Tuesday 13th October for this week only, so please can class 2 children come in their PE kits on Tuesday. Thank you.




## ANYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

### **VIRTUAL OPEN MORNINGS**

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.




**VIRTUAL Open Morning** **Tuesday 20th October**

If you are interested in attending our open morning this year we will:

- Give you a link to a video of our school taking you on a virtual tour
- Offer a Zoom at 10am 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 Charlene Gethin (Executive Headteacher)*



### **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.wbschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.wbschoolwear.co.uk) or [www.wbglobaltrading.co.uk](http://www.wbglobaltrading.co.uk)

We have also attached an updated copy of our school uniform policy for your information.

### **LUNCH**

School lunches for this week will be week 1's options.

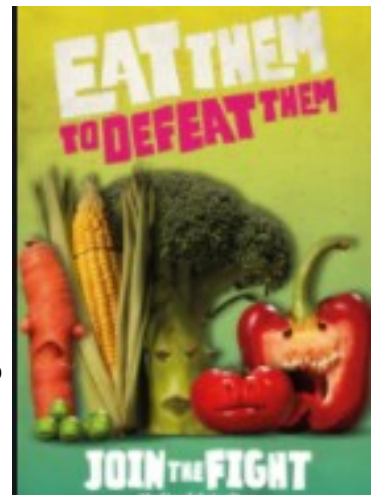
### **SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS**

Sample photographs of your children taken by Academy Photo's should have come home this week—please can any orders be returned to the school office by the 21st October 2020.

### **CHARTWELLS—EAT THEM TO DEFEAT THEM CAMPAIGN**

This week see the launch of 'The Eat Them to Defeat Them' campaign is to encourage more children to eat their veggies, fuelling them for a day of fun and learning. Please use the below link to view the digital toolkits with lots of fun free activities:

<https://eatthemtodefeatthem.com/>



### **PTA**

#### **100 Club**

The PTA runs a school lottery called The 100 Club. This is a great opportunity for you to help raise money for the school and also be in with a chance to win cash prizes in our monthly draw. This really is a worthwhile scheme and helps raise money for the school on behalf of the PTA. Please see the attached information sheet for further information. Consent forms will be sent home with the children today. The cut off date will be Friday 16th October 2020.

### **PUMPKIN FUN**

The PTA Pumpkin fun sheets should be available on Seesaw on Friday 9th October



### USEFUL INFORMATION

#### **WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**

Tomorrow is World Mental Health Day: 10th of October. #mentalhealth

Mental health is on our agenda each and every day with explicit teaching and the support available - indeed 3 staff this week have completed their mental health first aid training to add to the 3 who already have it. Additionally, daily mindfulness whether be it a short or long sessions are undertaken in class. What will you do today?

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/world-mental-health-day>

<https://www.rethink.org/advice-and-information/>

<https://www.mind.org.uk/get-involved/world-mental-health-day/>





BEFORE WE START I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO ABIGAIL PARKINSON'S DAD WHO ONCE AGAIN HAS MADE US SOMETHING FOR FOREST SCHOOL – A FABULOUS WELLY STORE. IT IS SO USEFUL AND SITS OUTSIDE THE FRONT OF SCHOOL AND LOOKS VERY SMART. THE CHILDREN WILL PAINT IT AT SOME POINT. THANK YOU ☐



THIS WEEK WAS DEN BUILDING AND THE CHILDREN WERE SO INVENTIVE AND WORKED EXTREMELY WELL IN THEIR TEAMS (WHICH THEY CHOSE THEMSELVES).



THEIR STRUCTURES WERE ALL DIFFERENT AND GREAT FUN WAS HAD WHEN I DID THE WATERPROOF TEST – POURING A BUCKET OF WATER ONTO THE DEN WITH THE CHILDREN INSIDE. A FALLEN BRANCH GAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT MAINTENANCE AND SAFETY IN THE WOODS.

## CHURCH/COMMUNITY NEWS/ADVERTS



### Free art competition at Weston Hall

Now in its 5th year the Halls Young Artist CoFmpetition, hosted by The Granary Art Gallery at Weston Park, is once again looking for the next generation of budding artists to stop the crowds with their work and schools across Shropshire and Staffordshire are invited to enter.

Please find attached for further information. [2020](#)

### [Information Pack](#) (873kb)



### Staffordshire County Council—Benefits Calculator

Did you know you may be able to claim to certain benefits?

Take our online benefits calculator to see what you could be entitled to.

It will only take ten minutes to complete <https://bit.ly/3mXqngz>

**Family Hub Emergency Grant for Food and Essential Supplies**

Are you a Staffordshire County Council resident struggling financially and would you benefit from some support to purchase food or emergency supplies?

**Do you meet one of the following criteria's?**

- Staffordshire County Council Care Leaver
- Young person under 16 years with a dependant child
- or in receipt of any of the following benefits
  - Universal Credit
  - Income Support
  - Childs tax credit
  - Working tax credit
  - Income based ESA
  - Pension credits
  - Income based job seekers allowance
  - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
  - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Did you know you could be entitled to a £15.00 food voucher per person in your household for a maximum of 3 weeks. These can then be used within one of the supermarkets listed.

If you want to find out more then please visit our Staffordshire Connects Page, search for Family Hub Emergency Assistance Grant for Food and Essential Supplies

Staffordshire County Council **CONNECTS**

**Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Safeguarding Children Board**

**Child Death Prevention Newsletter**

**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 on 31/08/2020
- All in the clinical risk groups – six months to under 65 years

are eligible for the flu vaccination

**Info-nasal Flu Vaccine**

...Flu Vaccine Autumn 2020

If your child is aged between 6 months and 2 years old and is in a high-risk group for flu, they will be offered an injected flu vaccine as the nasal spray is not licensed for children under 2.

The 'At risk' group is: Chronic respiratory disease, chronic heart disease, chronic kidney disease, chronic liver disease, chronic neurological disease, diabetes and conditions with immunosuppression, asplenia or splenic dysfunction, pregnant women and adults with severe obesity (BMI > 40)

.....The flu vaccine has been shown to reduce flu illnesses, hospitalisation and death in children.

#### What can you do to get your child vaccinated?

- Contact your child's GP if your child was aged two or three years old (on the 31 August of the current flu season) and you haven't heard from them by early November.
- If your child is at primary school, attends a special education school, or in year 7 of secondary school, the school will send you a leaflet and consent form. Please sign the form and return it.
- If your child has a health condition that puts them at greater risk from flu, or lives with someone on the NHS Shielded Patient List, they can get the flu vaccine from their GP.
- The nasal vaccine contains a processed form of porcine gelatin. If you would like your child to receive an alternative form for lifestyle or cultural reasons, your GP should be able to provide this.

**FLU Here are the facts:**

- The flu vaccine is available on the NHS for adults and children who are considered 'at risk'.
- Children can have the nasal spray flu vaccine. All children aged 2 to 11 on 31 August 2020.
- The best way to protect yourself and your loved ones against influenza (flu) is to get a flu vaccine every flu season.
- Flu vaccine has been shown to reduce flu illnesses, hospitalisation and even death in children.
- Vaccinating pregnant women helps protect them from flu illness and has been shown to help protect the baby for several months.
- Even if you think you've had flu, you should still have the vaccination.
- It's not too late to have the flu vaccine in November.

For further information about the flu vaccination go to: [www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/)

**A CHILD'S SNEEZE**

The average speed of a sneeze can approach about 100 miles per hour. The distance particles can travel can be as far as 10 feet.

For further information go to : <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/>



**SH Active Sports**

**OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMP**

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8AM - 3.00PM £19.95  
8AM-5.30PM £24.95

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**10% SIBLING DISCOUNT**

**NERF WARS LASER TAG ZORBING ARCHERY MARTIAL ARTS FOOTBALL GYMNASICS PLUS MANY MORE ACTIVITIES**

## 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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ALL SAINTS

