

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER



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

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Friday 16th October 2020

Psalm 84:6 (NLT): When they walk through the Valley of Weeping, it will become a place of refreshing springs.

*"Quote
the Week"*

"A person who has good thoughts cannot ever be ugly. You can have a wonky nose and a crooked mouth and a double chin and stick-out teeth, but if you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely." - Roald Dahl

DIARY DATES

2020	LATEST ITEMS SHOWN IN RED
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

W/C	SCHOOL CLUBS

HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

Finn J, Albert S, Poppy-Eve, Martha

Green Star ★

Bronze Star ★

Silver Star ★

Gold Star ★

Orla

Victor

Bronze Cup 🏆

Silver Cup 🏆

Gold Cup 🏆

Jack W, Abigail

Bronze Medal 🏅

Silver medal 🏅

OF THE WEEK

Class 1

Preston—Amazing effort in this weeks Maths sessions and for perseverance in his subtraction tasks. Your hard work has really paid off

Class 2

Noah—For his focus and hard work in every single lesson. He has been listening carefully and producing wonderful work across the curriculum. An impressive first term in class 2. Well done Noah.

Class 3

Eden-Blue—For her determination and participation in Maths. She always works so hard throughout the lesson and pushes herself to tackle challenging reasoning questions.

EXTENDED SCHOOL CLUBS OF THE MONTH

We have decided to award the Extended School Club of the week on a monthly basis rather than weekly due to lower numbers. We are always proud of all the children who attend!

THIS WEEK IN FOCUS

Our penultimate week of this half term has been really superb. Our 'teams' parents evenings worked brilliantly and staff were happy to share how wonderfully everyone has settled in, their assessment outcomes and needs in order to target any learning gaps for the future.

As we can't have an open day we have made a film this week to share with prospective parents ready for a virtual Q&A next week – we look forward to meeting everyone. Well done to our children for all their hard work and Go-Pro Ralph! Please share our open day flyer far and wide – it's also on Twitter so you can re-tweet!

We are thrilled to tell you that Mrs Evans has achieved her Masters in Education (Early years). This is a huge amount of work and we are really proud of her achievement - it is wonderful to have three hugely talented class teachers across our forest family Early years provision.

We will compete our final week with a Forest Family worship which will include our Fruits of the Spirit awards too.

We hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs C Gethin.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO

VIRTUAL OPEN MORNING—TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

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.

The application process for a reception place for September 2021 will open on 01 November 2020.

The easiest way for parents to apply is online. Further information can be found on [our website](#) (Staffordshire County Council). The closing date is 15 January 2021





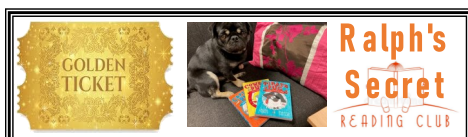
VIRTUAL Open Morning Tuesday 20th October

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)





RALPHS SECRET READING CLUB

Each week a bubble will be chosen and the teacher will choose 3 children to receive a golden ticket and come and read with Ralph and Mrs Gethin. We will share the children's books and Ralphs new Pug choices. Children will be chosen by consistently trying their hardest and being kind and thoughtful. This will start after half term.

ANYTHING ELSE YOU NEED TO KNOW

COVID REQUIREMENT UPDATE—EXTRA LAYERS & SCHOOL DROP OFFS/PICK UPS

We appreciate that the temperature is dropping but we are still expected to have windows open for good ventilation and this is likely to be throughout the winter months. Please ensure your child has layers for their clothing, such as under layers (vest / t-shirt / skins) under their top etc. in order to prevent them being cold. A second jumper even! We realise not all parents will be pleased about this and it's not ideal but this is one of our key expectations as well as hand washing and cleaning regimes. we will look to what we can do for our heating to help such as on for longer or higher if this is safe. Thank you for your understanding. –

Parents and families, you have been brilliant with our one way system at Rangemore and our staggered system at Needwood but we need to tighten further. Please still stand on the crosses and do not talk to each other (other than from the crosses), taking care as to how to go past each other. It generally looks brilliant but we just want to provide key reminders as the term goes on. Thank you.

DO NOT COME TO THE OFFICE UNLESS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL PLEASE

We remind parents that they are expected to not need to come to the school office as they can use e-mail, Class Dojo and the telephone to contact our office staff and can send any items in with children.

If we feel that what you come to the office for wasn't essential then we will tell you this and please respect this. Thank you.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Please can any orders be returned to the school office by the 21st October 2020.

SCHOOL PARKING

Please can we remind everyone to park and drive with consideration in the village when dropping and collecting children. Please do not use private driveways to turn cars or block driveways - thank you for all your help with this matter—we know it can get busy at times.



BOOK THANK YOU

Thank you so very much for all the books for the school in Derby which burnt down. We appreciate your generosity and, when it is ready to go, will send a photograph of the mountain! Thank you again.

CLOTHING 4 U

We understand that 'Clothing 4 U' has entered into administration. They have advised that they will contact any parents who have orders outstanding and will bring these into school next week for collection. We have attached our latest uniform policy for your information with other providers that we use.



LUNCH

School lunches for this week will be week 2's options.

COOK SUPERVISOR JOB VACANCY



We are after a Cook supervisor for our lovely school (Term time contract, £9.08 and hour). If you are interested or know anyone who may be interested please contact Mark Gladwin on 07773792219 or email Mark.Gladwin@compass-group.co.uk

PTA

100 CLUB—Please remember to return any 100 club forms by today (Friday 16th October) in the PTA post box by the main school doors. Thank you.

PUMPKIN FUN—The PTA Pumpkin fun sheets should be available on Seesaw. Anyone wishing to enter will need to return via Seesaw by 19th October 2020.



USEFUL INFORMATION

COVID ALERT LEVELS

The Prime Minister has announced new local COVID Alert Levels this week. We have attached the 3 different alert level documents and what they mean for your information.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/prime-minister-announces-new-local-covid-alert-levels?utm_source=13%20October%202020%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19&utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

A [postcode checker on GOV.UK](#) shows which alert level applies in each area and the NHS COVID-19 app will also direct people to this information.

FLU VACCINE NASAL SPRAY

Please see the attached leaflet from the school immunisation team regarding the nasal flu vaccine. It also provides a link to the NHS website for further information and sign-posts parents to their GP, school nurse or health visitor if they wish to discuss the immunisation further. The team are scheduled to come into school on 16th December 2020—consent forms for this will be sent out as soon as received.



WELLBEING— STAFFORDSHIRE WELLBEING CLINIC



Please see attached for some information regarding The Wellbeing Clinic which may be useful for adults faces challenges with emotional wellbeing. They offer support to those suffering with low mood, anxiety stress or panic. They are a self-referral service who cover the Staffordshire area, in particular, Tamworth, Lichfield, Burntwood, Stafford, Cannock, Seisdon, Burton and Uttoxeter. They offer Cognitive Behavioural Therapy and Counselling.

Once an individual contacts they service on 0300 303 0923, they are asked to leave their name and number and they will be called as soon as possible to proceed with their referral. Once they are registered onto the system, they aim to offer a telephone assessment appointment within 5 days to gain an understanding of the presenting problem before discussing the options available.



**Week 5 gave us a beautiful autumn afternoon.
The children always take it in turns to take and bring back the trolley full of all our equipment.**



Can be a bit tricky!

All the children painted their wooden slices that they cut themselves and the colours truly represented the stunning colours of autumn.



Half of the children took it in turns to use a knife to have a go at whittling and they all did extremely well. The others will do this next week – please make sure you bring your mask with you. ☺



I cannot believe how quickly the time has flown but next week is our last session. Hopefully we will be doing fire lighting (as long as we do not get torrential rain) and some of the children set off to gather some sticks ready for this.



Fabulous job boys!

CHURCH/COMMUNITY NEWS/ADVERTS

Road Closure

Yoxall Road will be closed for up to 5 days from 26 October

Digital skills for adults and families—Staffordshire County Council

Staffordshire Community Learning delivers digital skills courses to adults with the aim of getting beginners to use email and the internet, and to use digital tools safely. Please see the flyer on this page for further information.

Free art competition at Weston Hall

Now in its 5th year the Halls Young Artist Competition, 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.

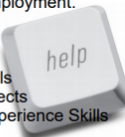
Please find attached for further information. [2020 Information Pack](#) (873kb)



Online Employment Courses
Staffordshire Community Learning Service
We offer a range of free short courses to help you develop your personal skills and find employment and self employment.

Including:

- ☑ Online Essentials
- ☑ Self Employment Essentials
- ☑ Improving Your Job Prospects
- ☑ Volunteering and Work Experience Skills
- ☑ Confident Presentations
- ☑ Family Online Safety



Course starting in September 2020
Courses are delivered Online and are free to everyone age 19 and over.

For more information and enrolment call Ben
Tel: 01543 334537 email: ac.ict@staffordshire.gov.uk

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/ac.ict



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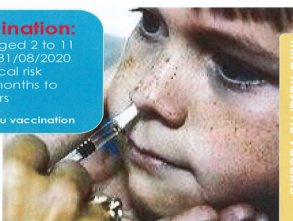
Flu can kill – Healthy children in Staffordshire have died from flu

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



Infant receiving a nasal spray vaccine

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.

Flu Vaccine Autumn 2020

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.



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



Contact us on Twitter: @sscboard

Working together to keep children safe

Parish News

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER – LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL

Together in Worship | Join us in the Cathedral or online for our dedicated Remembrance Day services:

- 8:00 Traditional Language Eucharist (Live Stream only)
- 10:30 Service of Remembrance to include National Silence | [PRE - BOOK HERE](#)
- 15:00 Solemn Requiem Eucharist for the Fallen
- 16:15 Evening Prayer (Live Stream only) 17:30 The final evening of Poppy Fields | [BOOK TICKETS HERE](#)

Please note: Attendance to the 10:30 Service of Remembrance will need to be pre-booked and tickets are limited.



Disclaimer: We are proud to have a newsletter which shares information with you for our parish, village, WI, social club, Rascals and our local communities. We do try to vet all items which go into school bags and unless you are notified, are not paid to provide this information. We do not necessarily endorse and we cannot be held responsible for the validity or content of external information.

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

BOTH:



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ALL SAINTS

