



Weekly Newsletter - Summer Term – Friday 21st June 2024

Message from the Headteacher

Good afternoon everyone,

What a week it has been. The Euros have kicked off and we've seen 2 of England's matches. I'm sure lots of you out there will be watching – I know Tuesday's game is one that many are talking about.

In school we are getting busier! It is notoriously said that Summer 2 is the busiest of all the terms – as we are trying to end this year positively and also begin to plan the new academic year which is super exciting!

I will send the staffing structure in a separate letter which will explain everything to you and we will be speaking to the children in school.

We are planning on our Sports Day being Friday 28th June – weather permitting! It looks like the only day of the week with rain forecast – absolutely typical as the beginning of the week is full sun and a heatwave forecast!

I have also included in the letter this week some links we have had through from the Local Authority – some information about the MMR Pop-up clinics which has been in the news this week and also a really useful link to the NSPCC entitled 'Listen up, speak up' which is a short video outlining how we can keep children safe.

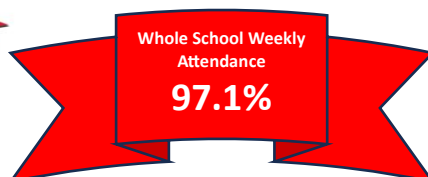
Finally, unfortunately the cost of school meals will be increasing to £2.55. We appreciate this is a rising cost of 15p however we have kept this increase as low as possible and the cost of school meals should be more than this. Can I take this opportunity to make all parents aware of the Free School Meals eligibility online checker [Apply online - Free School Meals - Staffordshire County Council](#)

If you have any questions please ask and we will support with this. We really do appreciate you taking the time to check as it is of benefit to both yourselves and school.

Take care

Miss Gaskell and the St Pauls Team.

Class	%
Reception – Mrs McCarthy	98%
Year ½ - Mr Farmer	98.6%
Year ¾ - Mrs Place and Mrs Nevins-Stanford	98.7%
Year 5 – Mrs Gull	95.8%
Year 6 – Mr Reynolds	93.8%



Being in school every day is so important to ensure children have the best chance possible of achieving well and reaching their potential.

This term our target as a school is 96%. To help children to achieve this we will be inviting parents into school to speak with Miss Gaskell to look at ways in which we can support to raise the attendance of your child. We will be launching attendance awards and leading assemblies with the children so that they understand the importance of being in school every day and on time.



Class	Winner!
Reception	Nevaeh
Year 1	Jeevi
Year 2	Piper
Year 3	Eddie
Year 4	Sebby
Year 5	Ruby
Year 6	Thomas

Class	Winner!
Reception	Hugo
Year 1	Lucas
Year 2	Robyn
Year 3	Aaron
Year 4	Jacob
Year 5	Chloe
Year 6	Ollie

Values Award

Congratulations _____

For being a shining rainbow in our learning community, showing the value **Respect** of _____

Excellence
Perseverance
Belief and Courage
Equality
Honest
Friendship and Love

Swords of Success Award

Congratulations _____

Their excellence in building their knowledge and skills in _____

Respect
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Our value of the week is...

PERSEVERANCE

"We also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance and perseverance character; and character, hope."

Romans 5:3-4



Reception



We have been enjoying exploring different jobs that people have in the community and how they help us. We have dressed up as nurses, vets, firefighters, gardeners and air traffic control. We have chatted to our friends about what we would like to be when we grow up. We are going to be race car drivers, ballet dancers, vets and scientists! Look out world!

Year 1 and 2



The children have been working super hard with their sports day practise in PE this week. You can see the concentration that the children have had when practising all of their events. We're really looking forward to showing you how hard they have work on Sports Day next week.



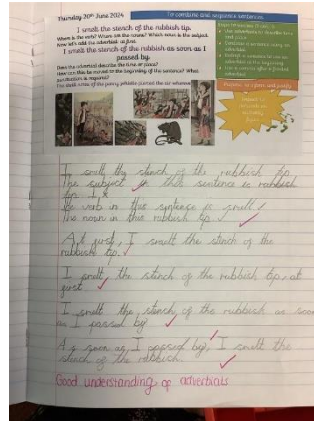
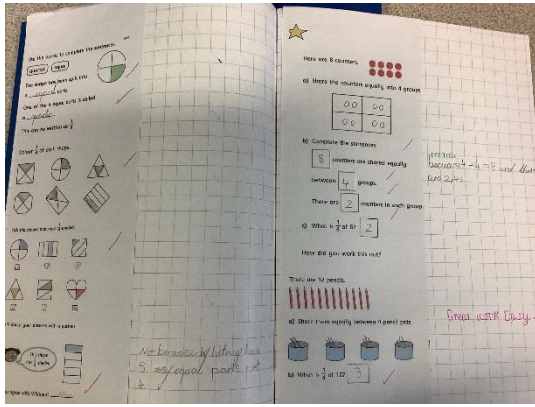
We had lots of fun this week at Forest School. We played on the tyre swing, taking it in turns to spin each other! We also made special hats by sticking beautiful natural objects to a strip of card. We decorated them with flowers, leaves and moss. We pretended to be explorers and played group games and even collected some apples that had fallen from a tree. We love being outside and getting a bit grubby and learning all about nature.



In Year 1 and 2 this week we have been looking at the colour wheel. We have been mixing primary colours in order to create secondary colours. We made green, purple and orange and had lots of fun mixing the paints.



Year 3 and Year 4



This week, Year 3 and 4 have been exploring the thoughts and feeling of the Hamelin townspeople when their homes were invaded by rats. They then used their own collective noun phrases to describe the experiences. "They came in their hundreds. They came in their thousands. They came in their hundreds of thousands. An apocalypse of rats spreading terror and disease through Hamelin town."



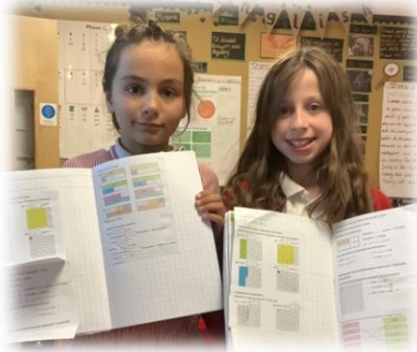
Year 4 have also been working on speeding up their recall of multiplication facts using Times Tables Rockstars before exploring 2d shapes through their understanding of angles, sides and lines of symmetry.



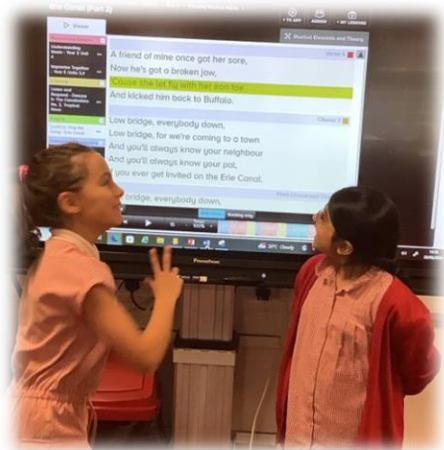
Year 5



Year 5 have also been learning all about the 'The Erie Canal Song,' also known as 'Low Bridge, Everybody Down,' it was first published in 1905 by Thomas Allen. Reacting to the changeover from mule power to powered barges and tugboats. They practised singing the song in reggae style and thoroughly enjoyed it.



This week in Maths and Arithmetic lessons, Year 5 have been recapping on decimal numbers. We have been working on identifying the place value of decimals numbers, adding decimals numbers and subtracting decimal numbers. The children have worked hard to solve problem involving decimal numbers too.



Year 6



Year 6 have been getting creative on TinkerCad by exploring many aspects of shape and geometry in order to create real life 3D concepts and modelling. In math's we have been looking at decimals and statistics, while in English we have been exploring the story of Macbeth in order to create a piece of persuasive writing from the perspective of the main characters.



Wondering

I wonder if you always find it easy to keep going.

I wonder if you can think of a time when you persevered and how that made you feel.

I wonder if there's a skill you could get better at if you persevered at this time.



"If you can dream it, you can do it."

SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS

If you have any Safeguarding concerns, please contact
Miss Gaskell (DSL) 01785 337436
Or
Staffordshire Safeguarding Board
0300 1118007



Staffordshire
**Safeguarding
Children Board**

**Keeping
children safe
is everyone's
responsibility**



SEND Questions

If you have any questions about
your child regarding Special
Educational Needs, please
contact
Mrs Nevins-Stanford (SENDCo)
01785 337436

S	M	A	R	T
Stay Safe	Don't Meet Up	Accepting Files	Reliable?	Tell Someone
Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.	Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.	Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.	Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?	Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

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Please remember to check your
child's devices and have
parental locks on. It is so
important to keep your children
safe online – including checking
group chat content. Any
support please ask

Listen up, Speak up

It's up to all of us to keep children safe. Take our free, 10-minute digital training and learn what to do if you're ever worried about a child or their family.

[Sign up for our 10-minute training](#)

Please take time to click the link below and sign up to watch the short training. It is so important that we know the importance of how to keep all our children safe.

[Listen up, Speak up | NSPCC](#)

'It takes a village to raise a child. And it takes a community to keep children safe.'

Measles can be a very serious disease.



Two doses of MMR vaccine offer life-long protection against **measles, mumps and rubella**.

If you or your child need an MMR vaccine, you can get a free vaccination here:



Saturday 3rd August - 10am – 2pm
Milwich Village Hall, ST18 0EG

Monday 5th August - 10am – 2pm
Family Hub, Faraday Road, ST16 3NQ

Saturday 10th August - 10am – 2pm
North End Community Centre, ST16 1JG

Wednesday 14th August - 10am – 2pm
Rising Brook Community Church, ST17 9LT



No pork in vaccine