

The Early Bird

Issue 16: Friday 13th June 2025



'I have come in order that you might have life - Life in all its fullness.' John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

A busy week with our children undertaking the phonics and multiplication checks. Year 6 are still working on their writing for the end of year expectations. Again, all of our children across the school have shown an excellent attitude to their national tests and we are proud of them.

Our 100 years of Stoke-on-Trent becoming a city was a wonderful event in school. We also had some creative dress on the day representing Stoke...well done to you for your support with this. And although I looked ridiculous dressed as a bottle kiln, our children all know what one is now....so it was worth it! Thank you to Miss Miszkiel and Miss Nickless who coordinated a lot of the events that week.

We also had our new September Nursery and EYFS parents evening. It is lovely meeting our new families. If you know any new families moving into your street and they are looking for a school place...tell them all about St. John's. We are a super family.

Our summer fayre and parents picnic/cream tea are coming up soon so it will be good to see you all then.

Mrs SM Bowyer Headteacher



Reminder—If your child comes to school on a scooter can you please make sure they ride it carefully and not too fast in the school grounds. We have had occasions where other children have been hurt. Many thanks

Prayer

Holy God,
God of compassion and care, we pray for all the victims of the Air India crash. We pray for first responders in India, and for the communities in India affected by the crash.
We pray for all families affected by the crash, and for all those waiting anxiously for news. Amen



Dedication - Courage - Joy



- **Tuesdays** Parent/Carers & Tots coffee morning

JUNE

Monday 16th — 10.30am - Year 2 (Miss Lands class) leading worship. .Parents/carers welcome

Tuesday 17th – Sports Day 2 (reserve)

Tuesday 24th – Sports Day 3 (reserve)

Wednesday 25th— summer fayre (End of the day, after school)

Thursday 26th – Northwood Athletics (Y3-6): Selected Pupils

Friday 27th – Y6 ‘Surprise’ Trip

JULY

Thursday 3rd – Y5s Trip to Longton Fire Station

Friday 4th – Y5s Trip to Reaseheath College

Tuesday 8th—Stoke 100 whole school community picnic—more details will be sent via letter

Thursday 10th – Y6 Awards (5:30-7:30pm)

Thursday 17th – Y6 Leaver Party (5-6:30pm)

Friday 18th – Last Day of School (school finishes normal time 3.10pm)

St. John's CE(A) Primary School

Summer Fayre

On Wednesday 25th June we will be holding our annual summer fayre after school. There will be plenty of stalls and fun activities. Thank you for the items your children brought in today. Please continue to send in any other items during next week.

We would also like to ask any bakers out there if you could bake cakes for our refreshment stall. This would be very much appreciated.

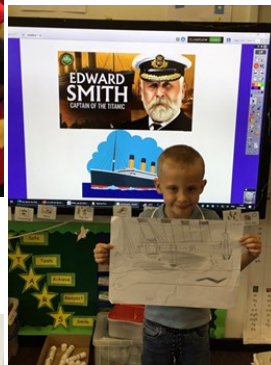
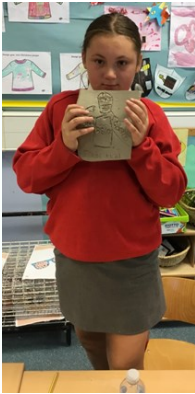
Raffle tickets are still on sale so please ask the office if you need any more.



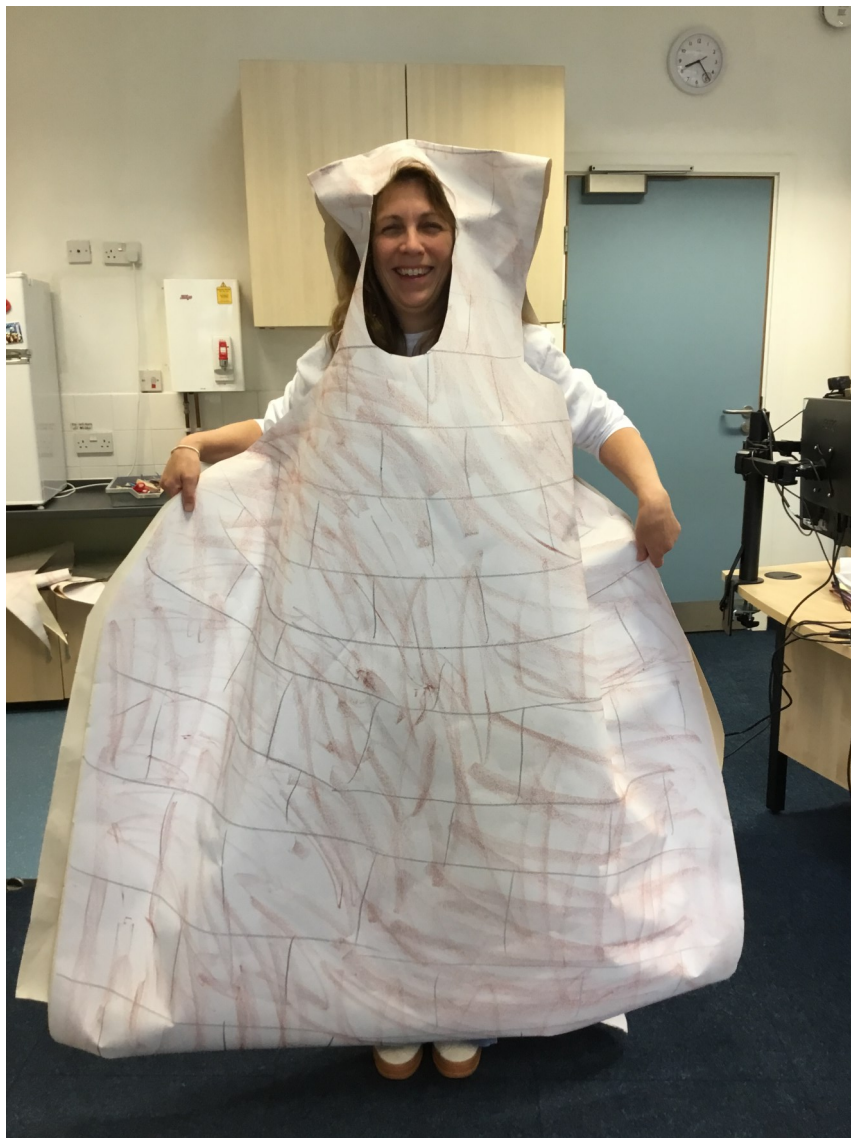
Stoke-on-Trent 100 celebrations

On Thursday 5th June all classes have enjoyed celebrating Stoke on Trent for the Stoke 100 celebrations. We have explored what the 6 towns mean and how they have formed to make one city 100 years ago, while studying significant people who came from Stoke. Some of the significant people celebrated were: Sir Stanley Mathews, William Moorcroft, Reginald Mitchell and Captain John Smith. All children enjoyed working with clay and making their own clay piece!

During this weeks Stoke 100 celebrations some of our children have worked with the Beth Johnson Foundation and artist Philip Hardaker to start the process of creating fantastic clay tiles to celebrate how amazing the pottery industry.



Following on from our 100 year celebration we were greeted by Mrs Bowyer who was dressed as a bottle kiln



Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

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is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps.



Twitter



Facebook



Instagram



Pinterest



Messenger



Tik Tok



Discord



Snapchat



Twitch



Yubo



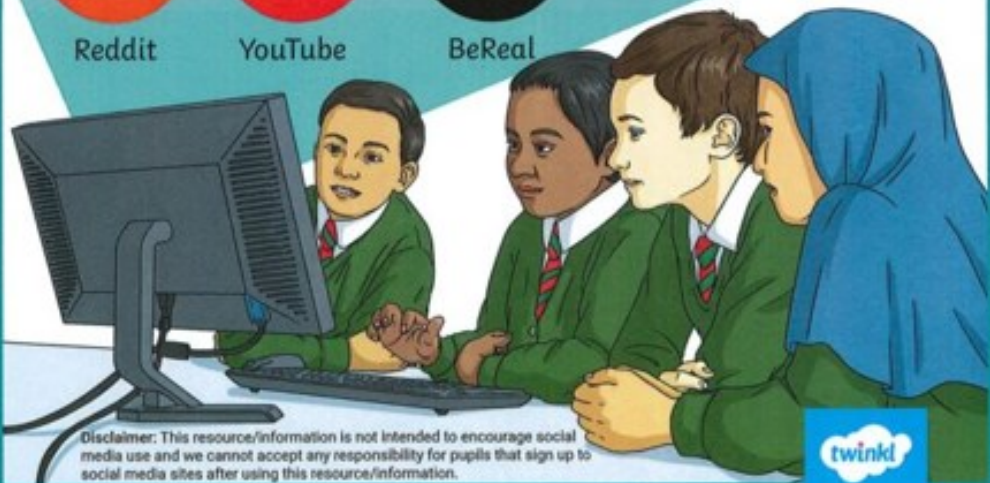
Reddit



YouTube



BeReal



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Staffordshire Police Open Day



The event is taking place at **Staffordshire County Showground** on Weston Road, Stafford, ST18 0BD from **11am until 4pm on Saturday 14 June, and entry is free for everyone.**

There is lots in store for everyone in the family to enjoy, including the chance to meet some of the brave police dogs and handlers keeping people safe every day.

For people who want to get an idea of what it's like to be at the front of the wheel of a police carrier, there's an opportunity to sit in a police car and on a police motorbike, along with a number of demonstrations on the type of things officers tackle on a daily basis.

Parking is free and will be available in the field opposite the showground.

St. John's CE(A) Primary School Term Dates 2025-2026



Inset Days x 5

Please note we may receive 6 weeks' notice in relation to our school being used as a Polling Station for government elections. These can take place in October/ November or May. We will inform you as soon as dates are confirmed to enable you to plan for child care on these dates.

Autumn Term 2025	
School open to staff (inset day)	Monday 1 st September
School open to pupils	Tuesday 2 nd September
School closes end of day	Friday 24 th October
Half term	Monday 27 th October to Friday 31 st October
School open to staff (inset day)	Monday 3 rd November
School opens to pupils	Tuesday 4 th November
School closes end of day	Friday 19 th December
Christmas Holiday	Monday 22 nd December to Friday 2 nd January

Spring Term 2026	
School open to staff (inset day)	Monday 5 th January
School open to pupils	Tuesday 6 th January
School closes end of day	Friday 13 th February
Half term	Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February
School opens to staff and pupils	Monday 23 rd February
School closes end of day	Friday 27 th March
Easter Holiday	Monday 30 th March to Friday 10 th April (Easter Sunday - 5 th April)

Summer Term 2026	
School open to staff and pupils	Monday 13 th April
May Day Bank Holiday (School closed)	Monday 4 th May
School closes end of day	Friday 22 nd May
Half term	Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May
School open to staff (inset day)	Monday 1 st June
School open to staff and pupils	Tuesday 2 nd June
School closes end of day for pupils	Friday 17 th July
Staff inset (converted to twilights)	Monday 20 th July
Summer Holiday	Tuesday 21 st July to Monday 31 st August

Colour codes

School open only to staff—no children

School open to all pupils

School holidays

Attendance

Not only is attendance important but so is being on time!

When you arrive late at school, you are missing the teacher's instructions and the induction to the lesson.

You may also feel embarrassed at having to enter a classroom late

Minutes late per day during the school year	Equals days worth of teaching lost in a year
5 minutes	3.4 days
10 minutes	6.9 days
15 minutes	10.3 days
20 minutes	13.8 days
30 minutes	20.7 days

Frequent lateness can add up to a considerable amount of learning lost, and can seriously disadvantage your future.

PLEASE BE PUNCTUAL

Gates open at 8.30am and close at 8.40am



BEAVERS

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are the
first step
to becoming
a Scout or
Girl Scout

TIME FOR FUN

CALLING ALL 6 TO 8 YEAR OLDS.

Come join the 87th Holy Trinity
Beaver Scouts, for fun, friendship and
activities that get you thinking as well
as doing.

MONDAYS (term time) 6-7 pm
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church, Newcastle-Under-Lyme

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