The Early Bird



Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught and you will overflow with thankfulness . Colossians 2:7

Issue 18: Friday 30th June 2023

From the Headteacher.....

Dear parents/carers,

It has been lovely to hear about our children out on our recent visits. There is definitely an extra buzz in the air when they return to school. Can I thank the staff and our parent volunteers, who have used a huge amount of their own time, to prepare the

exciting curriculum visits for our children, to ensure they run smoothly on the day. Also thank you to yourselves for your

contributions to the trip. They would be unable to go ahead

without this. The visits are great memories for our children which they will remember for a long time.

We are nearing the end of term but can I assure you the

curriculum timetable will still be running into the last week of term. Where possible, we ask that you do not request leave in term time. When children take leave they are missing elements of the curriculum, causing gaps in their learning and understanding for future lessons.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the school fair, which will take place after school on Monday 10th July. Also, a huge thank you for the donations we have received today, and we welcome further donations on the run up to the fair. Any freshly made cakes/ food to be brought in on the day please.

Please enjoy the weekend ahead and we are looking forward to seeing you on Monday when we will have our link literacy

specialist from the English Hub in school. They will set us off on another busy week of learning,

Mrs SM Bowyer

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

- Class Led Worships.
 Class parents/carers invited to attend:

 Monday 10th July-10.30am Year 1/2 Miss Stephenson.
- 10th July School summer Fair (after school)
- 13th July Northwood Athletics (City games)
- 13th July—Year 6
 Leavers Evening
 6pm

School closes to pupils 3pm Friday 21st July.

Prayer Year 1

Dear God, we thank you for the friendships we have formed. Help us to be kind to others and forgive them. Thank you for creating our beautiful world to give us peace.

Amen



Staff News

During the summer holiday we have 3 members of our staff that are getting married.

Miss Lovatt will become Mrs Cooper, Miss Jackson will become Mrs Heath and Miss Hudson will become Mrs Eyre.

We wish them well as they start this new chapter in their lives, and we hope the sun is shining for their special day.









Monday 10th July after school

There will be lots of stalls and fun things to do.

Tombola

Cakes & Juice

Sweets & chocolate

Tea & coffee

Guess the name of the teddy

Teddy's and toys

Hair tinsel

Ice cream & lollies

Glitter tattoos

Soak the teacher

Cakes & sweets

And lots more



PLEASE KEEP SENDING ITEMS IN FOR THE FAYRE. THANK YOU

Transition Evenings and Days - July 2023

Please find a breakdown of what is taking place in high schools re: Y6-Y7 transition, wb 03/07/23

School: St. Joseph's College

Transition Evening: Wednesday 05/07/23 18.30-20.00 at St. Joseph's Col-

lege

Transition Days: Wednesday 05/07/23 and Thursday 06/07/23 09.15 -14.30

at

St. Joseph's College

School: St. Peter's CofE Academy

Transition Evening: Tuesday 04/07/23 1730-1830 in the Academy Transition Days: Wednesday 05/07/23 and Thursday 06/07/23 0900-1430

in the Academy

School: Thistley Hough Academy

Please contact the school for details

School: Trentham Academy

Transition Evening: Thursday 06/07/23 1730-1830 in the Academy Transition Days: Wednesday 05/07/23 and Thursday 06/07/23 0900-1510 in the Academy



Year 3 & 4 trip to Chester















On Friday, the Year 3's and 4's went on a visit to Chester. We set out for Chester to immerse ourselves in Roman life and learn lots more about the Romans. Our current topic in History is Romans and Empires, which is why we chose to go to the very historic city of Chester. We took turns to wander the museum with our very own 'Roman' tour guide, took part in 'battle' with our very own shields and 'swords' and completed a walking tour of the city to the Roman Gardens where we practiced our battle cry!

Although it was very warm and exciting, our Year 3's and 4's did us proud and had a fabulous day,

World Music Day









On Friday 23rd June we had Key Strings come to visit us. They played different instruments and some of the children had a go.

It was lovely to hear the children having a fun time.

KS1 Visit







Years 1 and 2 went to Blists Hill
Victorian Museum on Monday. The
children dressed up as Victorian
Children. The girls wore dresses,
aprons and bonnets and the boys
wore jackets, caps and a neckerchief.
Then they went into a Victorian
classroom and experienced a
Victorian lesson. They also looked
around some Victorian shops and had
a ride on a mine train. It was very
dark!

Cross Country

On Thursday 22nd June, the Year 6 Boys Cross Country team went to Keele Unversity to represent St John's at the School Games County Finals. There were over 600 children, from all over the county of Staffordshire, that were taking part at the event, representing their individual school. In the Year 6 race, there were 97 boys running, and the boys from St John's (Kevon, Harvey, Sofian and Archie) left us feeling incredibly proud as they ran their race, with each of them achieving greatly. Sofian and Archie finish 64th and 63rd respectively and Harvey completed the race finishing 22nd – a fantastic achievement by all three boys, who have never participated in cross country until this year.

Well done boys, you all need to be proud of your achievements.

As for Kevon, his running season has gone from strength to strength. For those who are unaware, Kevon started running for the School (and at a personal level) at the end of last year. To date, he has achieved many great things including; unbeaten in the town races (1^{st} in 4/4 races), represented the city team of Stoke, who went on to win the competition (finished 1^{st} – making him the fastest boy for his age category in the city) and finally to add to his collection of titles, Kevon finished as 2^{nd} fastest boy in the County. – Massive congratulations not only on a school level, but also a personal level too.

Mr. Buckley and Miss. Pickerill





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Information

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Most children enjoy safe and happy childhood experiences within their own family, but unfortunately for some this is not the case. During difficult family times everyone has a responsibility to protect children from future harm - good child-care begins even before a child is born!

Stoke-on-Trent Children's Advice and Duty Service (CHAD):

If you have concerns about a child you can phone 01782 235100 (option 2) and speak to a social worker for advice Monday - Friday 8.30am - 6pm

Out of Office Hours - 01782 234234

For more information please go on Stoke-on-Trent website where you will find plenty of advice and information.





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