

A Message from Mrs. Harris

A packed newsletter for you this week as we have had the joy of celebrating Festival Week. It has been wonderful to see our community come together in so many ways, including creative workshops delivered by our local high schools, Robert Sutton and Paulet. These opportunities have given our children the space to explore their creativity and express themselves in new ways.

Please be incredibly proud of your children—they have been amazing throughout the week and have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and positivity.

As we move into the penultimate week of the school year, please be reassured that structure, routine and high expectations remain at the forefront of everything we do. With warmer weather forecast for next week, we will continue to put measures in place to keep children safe, comfortable and ready to learn. These may include additional woodland time, cold foot baths, access to our air-conditioned room, extra water breaks, reduced physical activity and increased opportunities for shade. We would greatly appreciate your support in ensuring that children arrive at school wearing sun cream and bringing a hat each day. Thank you for helping us keep all of our children safe, well and happy in school. Next week, our Year 2 performances take centre stage. The three classes have been enthusiastically rehearsing their production and are excited to share it with family and friends. Further details have already been sent separately.

Finally to let you know the **White Team** were our winning Sports Day team—we will be in touch to organise their wear anything.

Have a wonderful weekend, everyone.

Rebecca Harris





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SUMMER
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TOGETHER WE RAISED

<p>Edge Hill Academy</p> <p>WE RAISED</p> <p>£1047.20</p>	<p> The Violet Way Academy and Nursery</p> <p>WE RAISED</p> <p>£1047.20</p>
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THANK YOU
for all your support!





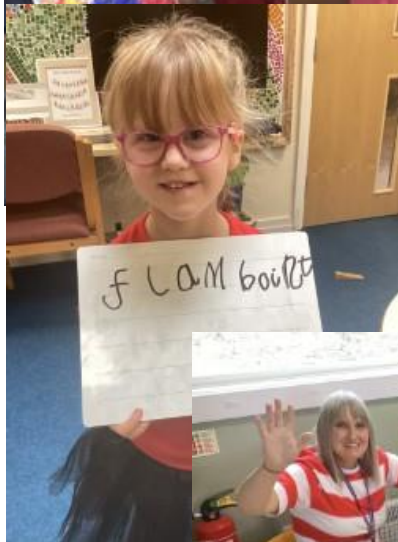
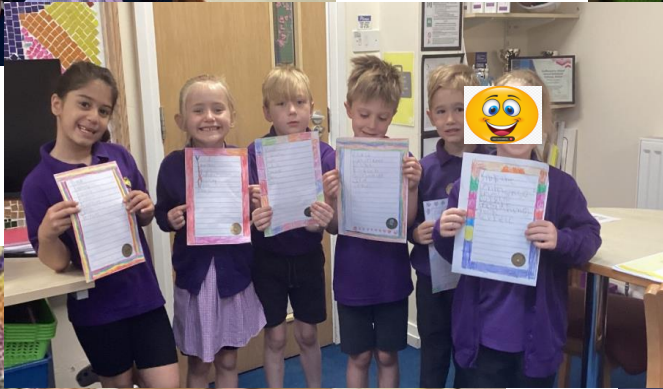
Parent Forest School Dates - Fridays

	Owls	Kestrels	Woodpeckers	Dragonflies	Busy Bees	Ladybirds	Foxes	Squirrels	Badgers
	Friday PM	Friday PM	Friday PM	Friday PM	Friday PM	Friday PM	Thurs PM	Friday PM	Friday PM
date	1/5	8/5	15/5	22/5	5/6	12/6	18/6	26/6	3/7

Dates for your diaries, all being well weather wise, we will be inviting parents to join us for the above forest school afternoon sessions. Please arrive at 2pm arrive at the school office.

Summer Fair-







Our Joint Summer Fair





Parent Feedback Survey-

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Thank you to everyone who recently completed our Parent Survey. We were delighted that over 60 parents took the time to share their views. We are very pleased and reassured to see that 90% of responses were positive, reflecting the continued strengthening of our school year on year.

In addition, many of you have recently taken the time to send anonymous messages of appreciation to staff. These were truly heartwarming, with over 70 messages received. Thank you—your kind words mean a great deal to our team.

As always, we are committed to continuous improvement. We carefully review all feedback to help shape our next steps. We were particularly pleased that the most positive responses were around:

- Communication
- Homework
- The openness of the school

We have also identified areas where we can continue to improve:

- Supporting your child with learning at home
- Links with other schools within the Trust
- Information about your child's behaviour

Our Senior Leadership Team is already reviewing these areas in detail. We are planning to develop clearer resources and offer workshops for parents to help you better understand the curriculum and how to support learning at home. We are also hoping to arrange sessions for parents who would like to gain a deeper understanding of children's behaviour, our behaviour policy, and how it is implemented in school. We will continue to share communication from our Trust and aim to further celebrate and showcase the work of our schools through our newsletters.

Thank you once again to everyone who completed the survey. Your time, support, and feedback are greatly appreciated and truly help us to make our school the best it can be.

*Parent
Feedback*





**SPLASH FUN!
BIG IMPACT!**

SOAK THE HEADTEACHER!

**MRS HARRIS
HEADTEACHER**

**BRING IN A
SEALED ENVELOPE
CONTAINING £1**

**3 SPONGES
FOR
£1**

**GET YOUR SPONGE, MAKE A SPLASH
AND HELP RAISE MONEY FOR A FANTASTIC CAUSE!**

Birmingham
Children's Hospital
Charity

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL GO TO OUR
GUARDIAN CHARITY
HELPING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO CHILDREN
AND THEIR FAMILIES WHEN THEY NEED IT MOST.

★ ★ **LAST WEEK OF THE TERM** ★ ★

HAVE FUN • BE KIND • THINK OF OTHERS • MAKE A DIFFERENCE





Fierte Festival



Nursery came to each class to do a DROP EVERYTHING AND DANCE.



We dressed up as our class word





We had a whole school assembly to launch it and then to end it!





Year 10 pupils from Robert Sutton Art department came to help us create clay tiles showing our values. The pupils were amazing and supported Violet Way beautifully

Thank you, Robert Sutton,







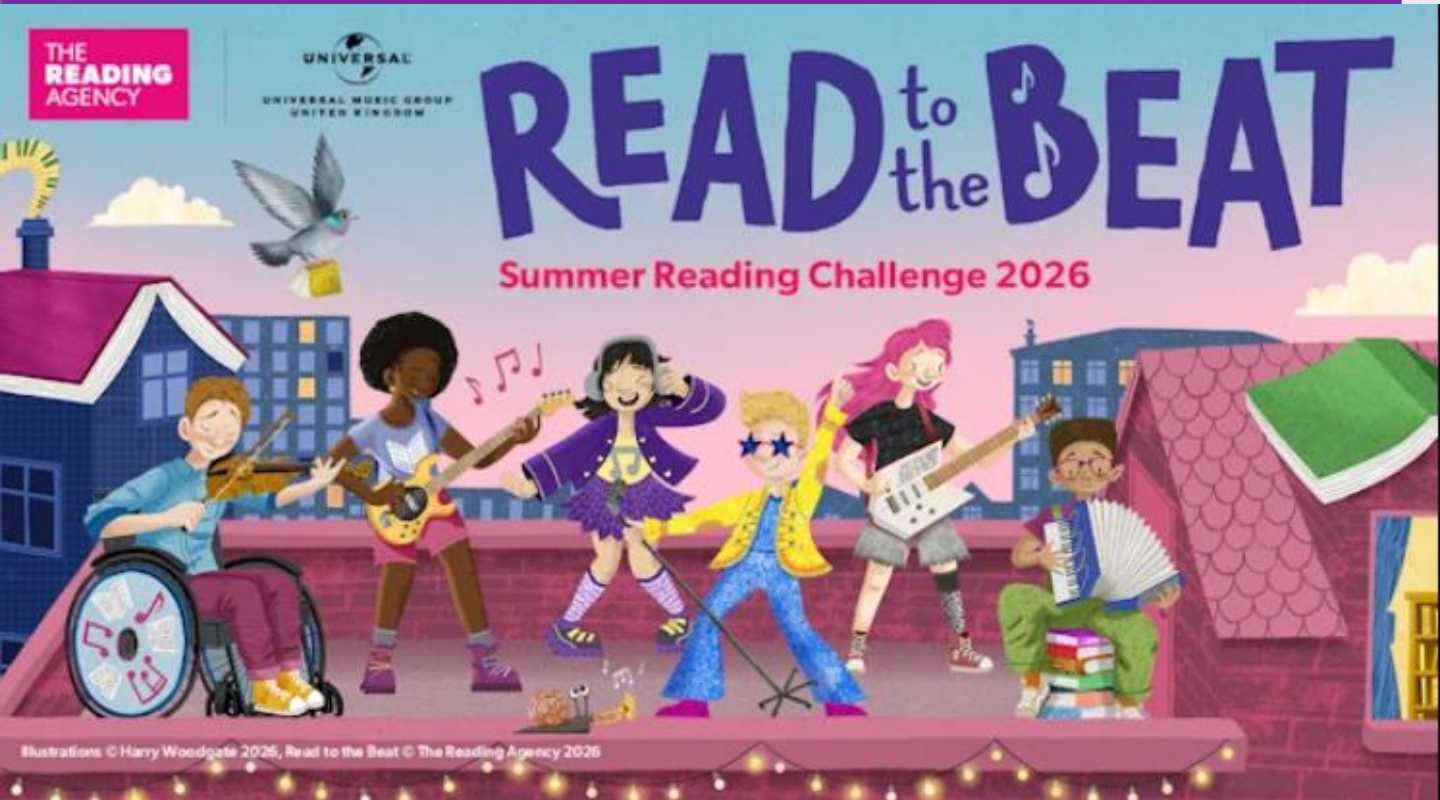
- Paulet visited our school and worked with each year group to create an amazing Pop Art Wall – WOW!
- Both staff and pupils worked incredibly hard throughout the morning, showing fantastic teamwork, creativity and enthusiasm. We are so proud of the final result, and the wall is a wonderful celebration of everyone's efforts and artistic talents.



BIG thanks to Mrs Smith our Art lead for making this week so creative and amazing







This Saturday, July 4th, sees the launch of the **Summer Reading Challenge** in England and Wales, delivered by The Reading Agency. This summer, The Reading Agency invites children to discover the joy of reading through Read to the Beat! — the music-themed Summer Reading Challenge 2026.

With a fantastic collection of books inspired by music from around the world, children can explore stories, poetry, graphic novels, and non-fiction for all reading levels. Children can sign up at the library or online, set their reading goals, and enjoy rewards along the way!

Burton Library will be coming into school soon for an assembly to launch the Summer Reading Challenge. You can find out more, and sign-up below.

[Summer Reading Challenge](#)





Library and Forest School Dates

Parent Library Mornings – Spring

Parents are invited to join their child, every three weeks for a parent library session. Gates will open 5 minutes earlier for the class whose library session it is. Reception sessions are on Tuesdays. Year 2 sessions are on Wednesdays and Year 1 sessions are on Thursdays. Parent library morning sessions start the week after next. Please see dates below for your child's parent library session.

SUMMER TERM 2026

Reception Tuesday Sessions

Foxes	14/4	5/5	2/6	23/6
Squirrels	21/4	12/5	9/6	30/6
Badgers	28/4	19/5	16/6	7/7

Year 2 Wednesday Sessions

Kestrels	15/4	6/5	3/6	24/6
Owls	22/4	13/5	10/6	1/7
Woodpeckers	29/4	20/5	17/6	8/7

Year 1 Thursday Sessions

Dragonflies	16/4	7/5	4/6	25/6
Ladybirds	23/4	14/5	11/6	2/7
Busy Bees	30/4	21/5	18/6	9/7

Forest School Sessions – Will be fun for a FULL week (bar Wednesdays)

Forest School Timetable

Owls	Kestrels	Woodpeckers	Dragonflies	Busy Bees	Ladybirds	Foxes	Squirrels	Badgers
1 w/b	2 w/b	3 w/b	4 w/b	5 w/b	6 w/b	7 w/b	8 w/b	9 w/b
8/9	15/9	22/9	29/9	6/10	13/10	20/10	3/11	10/11
17/11	24/11	24/11	1/12	8/12	5/1	12/1	19/1	26/1
2/2	9/2	23/2	2/3	9/3	16/3	23/3	13/4	20/4
27/4	4/5	11/5	18/5	1/6	8/6	15/6	22/6	29/6





Dates for Your Diary

Staffordshire Term Dates 2025-2026

Summer Term 2026

Term starts: Monday 13th April 2026

May Day: Monday 4th May 2026

Holiday: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2026

Term & Academic Year Ends: Friday 17th July 2026

Violet Way INSET Days 2026

19th June 2026

20th July 2026

Violet Way INSET Days 2026-2027

Tuesday 1st September - INSET

Monday 4th January - INSET

Friday 12th February - INSET

Friday 18th June - INSET

Wednesday 21st July - INSET

What's Coming Up?

Toddler Morning – Every
Tuesday 9:00am-10:30am, £2
per family

Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th July -
Year 2 Performances- please see the time
and tickets email sent to Year 2

Tuesday 14th July- Year 2 Disco - 5-6pm

Thursday 16th July - Laches Wood - Year
2 Trip

Friday 17th July- Y2 Graduations - Short
Assembly

9:15am - Kestrels

10:00am - Owls

10:45am - Woodpeckers





Please may I gently remind parents that, as a school, we are committed to ensuring children are in school and learning every day. We understand that family time and holidays are important, but we are required to follow national attendance guidelines, including issuing fines where necessary. These decisions are not made by the school directly, and any money collected from fines goes back to the County, not to us.

We know this can be frustrating at times, and we truly appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to give every child the best possible start in life.

ATTENDANCE WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1 I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything. Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

£160



2 FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160
4 children & 1 parent = £640
 Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

10 IN 10

5

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

1 Day = **2** Sessions

3 FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160
4 children & 2 parents = £1280
 Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days

4 If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

<p>2ND TIME</p> <p>2 parents and 1 child = £320 2 children = 640 3 children = 960 4 children = 1280</p> <p>No discount for early payment</p>		<p>3RD TIME</p> <p>A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court. A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child 1 parent & 4 children = £10,000 2 parents & 4 children = £20,000</p>
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New! Free Play

Join our new welcoming free play session for parents/carers with 0-4 year olds. Drop in for as little or long as you like, ask our Family Hub Coaches questions and get advice and support with your child's development and wellbeing while they socialise with other children.



When and where?

Monday's 9.30am-12.30pm
East Staffs Family Hub
Waterloo Street
DE14 2NJ



New! Mini Melodies

Join us for a FREE music group suitable for babies, pre-school children and their parents/carers. We'll enjoy singing, rhymes and instruments together!

For more information text or call Helen:
07580810233

- No singing experience necessary
- Excellent for language development
- Fantastic for pre-reading skills
- Meet other families for a cuppa and a chat



When and where?

Tuesday's 1-2.30pm
East Staffs Family Hub
Waterloo Street
DE14 2NJ



PARENT/CARER SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS OF AUTISTIC CHILDREN



This group is for parent/carers of diagnosed and non-diagnosed children & young people.

Join the Autism Inclusion Team for coffee and conversation at East Staffs Family Hub.

The group will meet monthly on a Monday morning between 9.30am and 12.00pm.

No booking required just drop in. Look forward to seeing you.

Monday 20th April
Monday 18th May
Monday 15th June
Monday 6th July

For further information please contact
Lana.grant@staffordshire.gov.uk

THE GARDEN PATCH STAY & PLAY

Every Wednesday 10:00am - 12:00pm

FREE Drop in sessions will be at Hill Street Health and Wellbeing Centre DE15 9LD

A warm welcoming group for Mum's, Dad's, Grandparents and your little ones to connect with nature and learn how to grow and look after your own fruit and veg. Exploring through indoor and outdoor nature activities

Please Contact East Staffs Family Hub
Tel: 01283 233400
Email: eaststaffsfamilyhub@staffordshire.gov.uk

Family Hub Staffordshire

Let's Talk SEND

Peer Support Group for Parents & Carers of SEND Children

Hill Street Health & Wellbeing Centre
Stapenhill, DE15 9LD

Friday Fortnightly • 9:30am - 11:30am
— FREE • Tea, Coffee & Toast Provided —

Come chat with other parents & carers who understand SEND!

Support • Chat • Advice

For more information please call 01283 233400 or email eaststaffsfamilyhub@staffordshire.gov.uk

BEST START IN LIFE | **FAMILY HUBS**



Recycle to Read Batteries Collection

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our school is recycling batteries to protect the planet (and for a chance to win book vouchers for the school).

We need your help - plus your child could win some fantastic eco-inspired prizes too!

How can you help?

1. Hunt out used batteries at home. We are collecting AA, AAA, C, D, 9V and button batteries.
2. Tape over the contacts of lithium (Li) and button batteries (see below).
3. Put them in a tied plastic bag (preferably reused)
4. Take them to the school's collection point.
5. Enter the prize draw at jointhepod.org/win

Safety first:

Not only is storing and recycling batteries safely great for the environment, it can also help reduce risks associated with batteries:

- Batteries can cause serious injury or death if swallowed, please keep batteries out of reach of small children and pets.
- Lithium and button batteries need to be taped so their contacts don't touch, as they could short circuit if they do.

Use sticky tape over the contacts (top and bottom of batteries). Button batteries can be placed in a line between two sections of sticky tape. Lithium batteries can look like any battery, but they will have lithium (Li) written on them.

Many thanks for your support and happy battery hunting!

To find out more, head to: jointhepod.org/batteries





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FERRY STREET

FOOD BANK

**Every Monday 10am to 12pm
at 1 Ferry Street, Stapenhill, DE15 9EU**

Need help with filling in forms? CV writing? Interview prep?

Or do you just want to keep warm and chat over a cuppa?

**Free drop in every Monday 10am to 12pm
at 1 Ferry Street, Stapenhill, DE15 9EU**

Our volunteers will be on hand to help and advise where we can.



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H E A T & E A T

Every Thursday 3.30pm to 7pm at

NumberOne
FERRY STREET

**You are very welcome to join us for
company, warmth and a free bite to eat.**

www.thecommunitychurchburton.co.uk





**LIFTING
the
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for
NEYO'S
FAMILY**

Raffle to be drawn
Tuesday 7th July 7pm

PRIZES INCLUDE;

- The Bridge Inn up to 4 people including drinks
- £100 voucher for Market Place Travel
- Personal Training sessions
- and many more...

RAFFLE TICKETS **£3** FOR ONE TICKET **£12** FOR 5 TICKETS

Please call Emma 07759136038 to arrange collection of raffle tickets

PIC•COLLAGE

Warm Spaces

Safe and welcoming places for people to meet and socialise



Short Street Community Cafe

94-96 Short Street, Stapenhill, Burton, DE15 9LT

Monday

Breakfast, 8:45 - 11am
Standard menu costs apply

Tuesday

Place of Welcome, 10am - 12pm
Free hot drink, toast, & cake

Wednesday

Breakfast, 8:45am - 11am
Standard menu costs apply

Thursday

Breakfast, 8:45am - 11am
Standard menu costs apply

Supper Club, 3:30pm - 5:30pm
Standard menu costs apply

Friday

Breakfast, 8:45am - 11am
Standard menu costs

Lunch Club, 12 - 2pm
Standard menu costs apply

Community Fridge

10am - 11am Daily
Free fresh food and pantry items



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