



Summer Term



Message from Mrs Harris,

I can't believe we have entered May already. We are fully into the Summer term and your children continue to make us proud. We have been working hard on our manners at lunch and reminding our pupils how important it is to always be polite.

This week I have been lucky enough to put my training to good use and trained Headteachers in de-escalation techniques in supporting pupils, it's quite exciting when we look at the way our brain works and how we can support our pupils with heightened emotions.

It's a lovely bank holiday this weekend so we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Making Trails: We have a wonderful opportunity coming up, do you remember the Swan Trail in Burton? We are going to be creating our own Barrel for the up coming 'making trails'. Next week your child will bring home a design template, please help them create a design that we may use as a part of our barrel or it may be entered into a competition.

We will keep you posted when they go live and where you can Find the barrels.

Mrs Harris





Attendance

Whole school (this week)	92.60%
Reception	89.62%
Year 1	93.22%
Year 2	95.02%

Achievements

Congratulations! These children have been awarded certificates for following our Golden Rules and demonstrating our school values.

Reception



Year 1



Year 2



We care We are brave We celebrate



Congratulations to **Owls** **97.8%**

for being the class with the highest attendance this week! Well done for your fantastic attendance this week.

Home Achievements



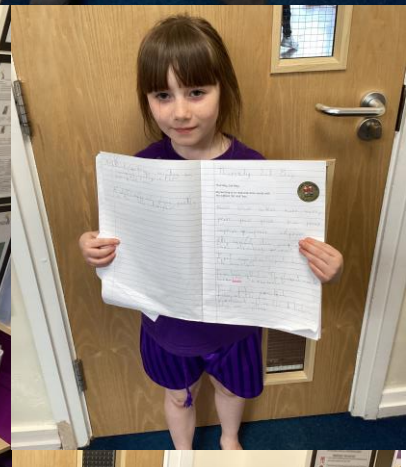
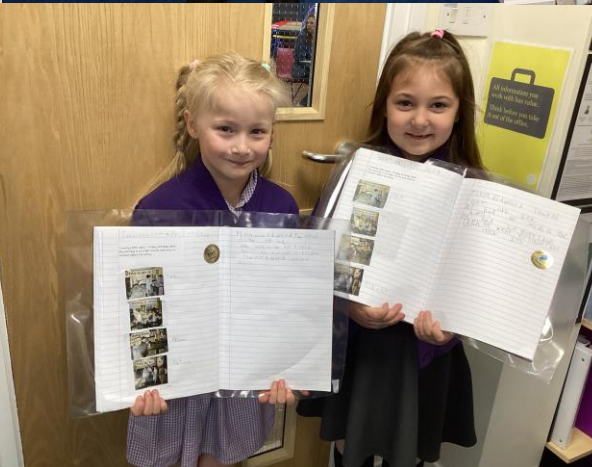
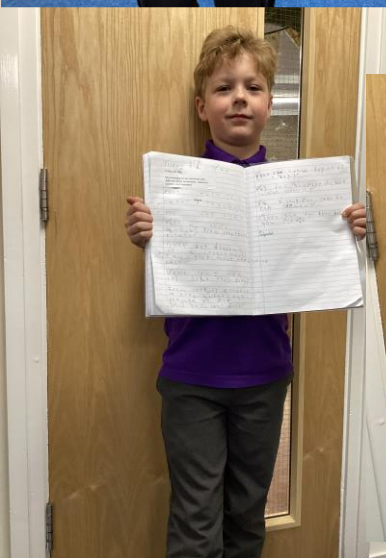
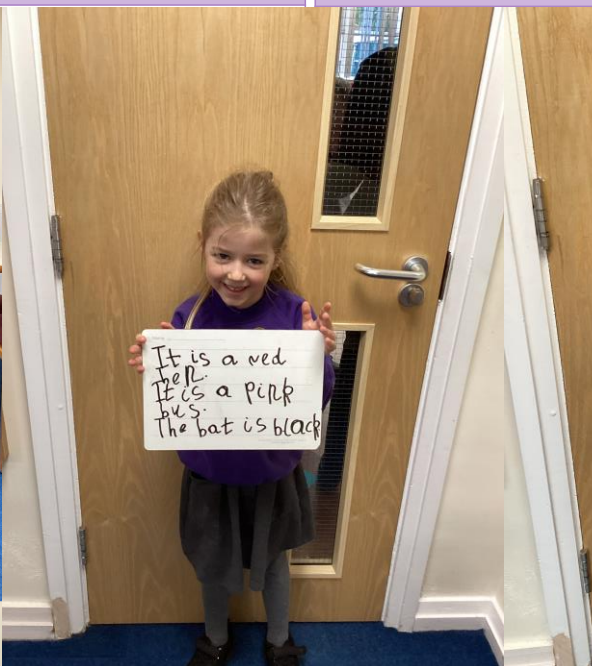
Lunchtime Awards





Amazing learning

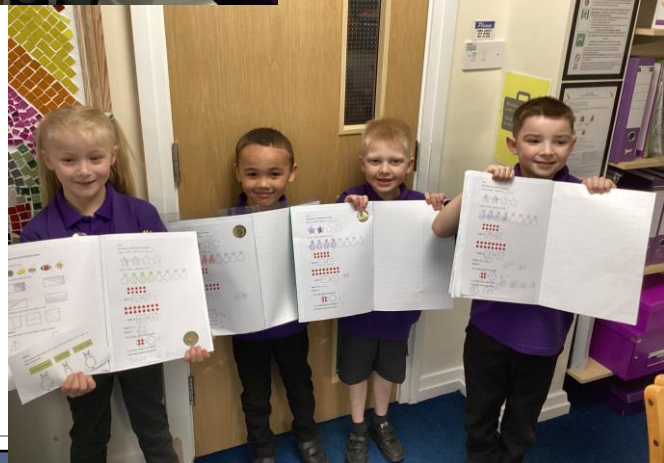
Wonderful learning



Current Vacancies

- [Site Supervisor](#)
- [Cleaning Supervisor](#)
- [Class Teacher](#)

All Job Adverts are available to view on WmJobs . The application packs and full details will also be available on the Trust website [Fierte Multi-Academy Trust- Vacancies \(fierte.org\)](http://fierte.org) Applicants should submit a completed application to hr@fierte.org





Parent Forest School Session



As already stated in the dates section, our Parent Forest School sessions will take place during your child's normal session w/b 13th May and 20th May. Please arrive at 2pm and dress according to the weather – it can get quite muddy in the forest! I am sure that you will enjoy taking part!

Coffee and cake.

10th May 2.15 come and buy and cake and have a coffee, this is also a good opportunity to meet Mrs Harris (if you have not already)

Parent Inclusion Coffee Morning Friday 24th May 9.00 – 10.00

Please join us for our next parent inclusion coffee morning on **Friday 24th May at 9.00 -10.00**. We will be looking at ways to support children through changes and transitions as well as giving you an opportunity to share your own experiences or questions. All our welcome to attend. If you would like any more information please se or Marie Dawson. We look forward to seeing you there.



May Day



Reception and Year 2 parents, please encourage your child to make a Maypole- if you need any ideas or support, please ask your class teacher and we will help.

Tuesday 7th May-Party clothes

Reception: 9.15am

Maypole parade in the woodland

Year 1: 10am - Dragonflies

10.30am- Busy Bees

11am- Ladybirds

Short maypole dance and song- top carpark

Year 2: 3.00pm Maypole visit to classroom, song and parent parade with child to leave school- EYFS and year 1 feel free to watch





Monthly update from PTFA

IMPORTANT DATES

- 20th June PTA Summer Fair
3.30pm - 5pm
- PTA Year 2 Leavers Disco
Wednesday 10th July

Donations

We are kindly asking for any donations for raffle prizes for our summer fair.

Please contact the school office or drop off any donations at the school office. We appreciate your support. Thankyou!

CONNECT WITH US

Facebook - Violetway PTA

Email - office@violetway.org

Next meeting - Monday
3rd June @ 2pm

A message from our PTA

Hello Everyone! We have lots of fundraisers and events coming up this summer to ensure our children and teachers receive the full support they need to have a successful year. We as a PTA would like to help create a positive and supportive environment. And we need your help! We are always looking for new volunteers to join and share their knowledge and skills.
Please join us in supporting our children.

HOW THE MONEY IS SPENT

- A gift for each child at Christmas
- A chocolate egg/bar for each child at Easter
- The purchase of a new sound system for the hall
- The purchase of the new scooter pods
- Received items for the Forest

Previous Fundraising

- School discos
- Easter bingo
- Christmas raffle
- Summer fair
- Non uniform days
- Tesco strong starts scheme
- Food waste poster competition with Tesco
- Scarecrow competition at GardenKing





Library and Forest School Dates

Parent Library Mornings – Summer Term

Parents are invited to join their child, every three weeks for a parent library session. Gates will open 5 minutes earlier (at 8:40am) 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. Please see dates below for your child's parent library session.

Reception - Tuesdays

Foxes	9/4	30/4	21/5	18/6
Squirrels	16/4	7/5	4/6	25/6
Badgers	23/4	14/5	11/6	2/7

Year 1 - Thursdays

Dragonflies	11/4	2/5	23/5	20/6
Ladybirds	18/4	9/5	6/6	27/6
Busy Bees	25/4	16/5	13/6	4/7

Year 2 – Wednesdays

Kestrels	10/4	1/5	22/5	19/6
Owls	17/4	8/5	5/6	26/6
Woodpeckers	24/4	15/5	12/6	3/7

Forest School Sessions – Summer Term

Week 1:

Monday – Dragonflies

Tuesday – Owls

Wednesday - Badgers

Thursday – Kestrels

Friday – Foxes

These class will have Forest School Afternoons on the days above during the following weeks: 15/4, 29/4, 13/5 (parent session), 3/6, 17/6 and 1/7.

Week 2:

Monday – Ladybirds

Tuesday – Woodpeckers

Thursday – Squirrels

Friday – Busy Bees

These class will have Forest School Afternoons on the days above during the following weeks: 8/4, 22/4, 6/5, 20/5 (parent session), 10/6, 24/6 and 8/7.





Dates for your diary

Staffordshire Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn Term 2023

Inset day: Monday 4 September

Term starts: Tuesday 5 September

Half term Holiday: Monday 30 October - Friday 3 November

Term ends: Friday 22 December

Holiday: Monday 25 December - Friday 5 January

Spring Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 January

Half term Holiday: Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Term Ends: Friday 22 March

Holiday: Monday 25 March – Friday 5 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 31 March

Summer Term 2024

Term Starts: Monday 8 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

Half term Holiday: Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

Holiday: Monday 22nd July – Friday 30 August

Please also make a note of our planned INSET days

for next academic year at Violet Way:

Violet Way Inset Days

Monday 4th September 2023

Friday 20th October 2023

Monday 8th January 2024

Friday 21st June 2024

Monday 22nd July (disaggregated)



What's Coming Up?

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

May Day Bank Holiday – Monday 6th May

May Day celebrations – Tuesday 7th May
Reception - 9am

Year 1 - 10am

(10 am - Dragonflies

10.30am- Busy Bees

11am- Ladybirds)

Year 2 - 3pm

Year 2 Laches Wood Trip – Wednesday 8th May

Parent Forest School Sessions - w/c 13th May
and 20th May

Buy a cake and coffee- 10th May 2.15

Parent Inclusion Coffee Morning

Friday 24th May 9.00 – 10.00

Year 1 Victorian Day – Friday 10th May

Reception Conkers Trip – Thursday 16th May

Break up for Half-Term – 24th May

Summer Fayre – Thursday 20th June –
3.30 - 5pm

Year 2 Leavers' Disco – Wednesday 10th July –
5-6pm

Year 2 Leavers' Performance at Edge Hill -
Wednesday 17th July - 6pm

Thursday 18th July – 2pm & 6pm

Year 2 Graduation- 19th July





What is safeguarding?

Ensures that every child, regardless of their age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation, has a right to equal protection from harm.

Safeguarding is the steps that people take to protect children and vulnerable people from harm.



Examples of safeguarding concerns to look out for:



Physical

A group of children start pushing or hitting a smaller child when an adult is not looking



Emotional

You see a crying child run towards their parent who responds in a harsh manner using inappropriate language



Sexual

A teenage girl walking home is catcalled and harassed, or being touched without consent



Neglect

You see a child wearing the same dirty clothes everyday and who steals food from other children



How can you help?

If you ever see anything happen to a child that makes you feel uncomfortable, please let your safeguarding lead / person know. You are not causing problems but it could save a child from unnecessary harm.

Any one of these things might not mean anything, but if your safeguarding lead / person isn't told, then they can't help.

We appreciate that sometimes the holidays can be challenging but you can get help.

Helplines

Childline call 0800 1111

Young Minds text 85258

Samaritans call 116 123

Shout crisis messenger text 85258

Is this OK? online chatbot and 1-2-1 chat

Domestic Abuse helpline call 0808 2000 247

Safeguarding

If you are worried about an adult or a child, it is important that you report it immediately.

For emergencies and immediate danger call 999 for police assistance. For concerns about a child in Staffordshire call 0300 111 8007. Emergency out of hours: 0345 604 2886.

