

Principal's Update

This week, our Year 2 children have been very fortunate to visit Stafford Castle, helping to bring their 'Towers and Turrets' topic to life. We have also had our local Mental Health Support Team also visiting school to deliver an assembly for Key Stage 2. We are delighted that a selection of our Year 5 children will now be taking on the important role of 'Wellbeing Ambassadors', helping to promote positive mental health and wellbeing across our school community. We have completely sold out of tickets for this evening's circus, so it is sure to be an exciting event for everyone! We hope all those attending have a wonderful time.

Big Thoughts

This week's question links to the story that the UK government has announced plans to make food served across schools healthier from September 2027.

Who should decide what we have for school lunch?

Children in Need

You may have heard some familiar voices on BBC Radio Stoke this week! We were delighted to be asked by BBC Radio Stoke to send them a voicenote sharing a snippet of what we are going to be doing for Children in Need this year.

You can listen to our voicenote below:

[Children in Need 2026](#)

More information about our Children in Need fundraising will be announced soon!

Modeshift STARS Accreditation

We are proud to have been awarded 'Approved Travel Plan Modeshift STARS' accreditation. We couldn't have achieved this without Miss Lingard who has worked really running our amazing Walking Bus!



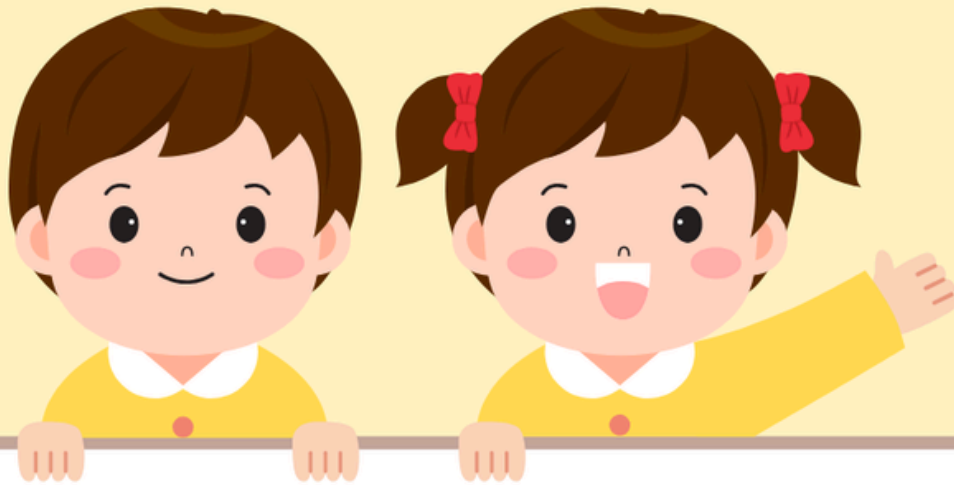
World Mental Health Day

We will be raising money for Young Minds next Friday 9th October as part of their 'Hello Yellow' campaign which runs every World Mental Health Day. Children can come to school wearing a yellow item of clothing with their uniform on Friday 9th October. To help us raise money for Young Minds, we are kindly asking for a £1 contribution per child.

Harvest Celebration

Just a reminder that we will be collecting donations for House of Bread next week as part of our Harvest Celebrations. House of Bread will be joining us in assemblies on Thursday 8th October. Please bring any donations to the school office. Thank you.

World Mental Health Day 2026



We will be celebrating World Mental Health Day
in school on Friday 9th October. Please support
us by wearing **yellow** and donating £1.

YOUNGMINDS

**Hello
Yellow**
FRIDAY 9 OCT



Donate here



Wear yellow, say hello.

Join us for our 10th Hello Yellow! Wear yellow, start a conversation
about mental health and raise money in your school – so we can
be there when you need us most.

#HelloYellow

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YoungMinds, registered Charity in England (106966) and Scotland (SC039700)



**SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE
SCHOOLS & GPs**

NHS

CAMHS

CRISIS & INTENSIVE SUPPORT TEAM

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**AVAILABLE
7 DAYS A WEEK**



9:00am – 10:00pm



CALL NHS 111 → OPTION 2

Before directing any child or young person under 18 to A&E



STOP & CALL FIRST

If you are concerned about the mental health of a child or young person under 18, please contact our CAMHS Crisis & Intensive Support Team to speak to a CAMHS Practitioner **before** directing them to hospital.



OUR AIM

To reduce avoidable attendances at local A&E departments and ensure children and young people receive the **right support**, in the **right place**, at the **right time**.

HOW WE CAN HELP



Mental health advice and guidance



Risk assessment support



Clinical support and intervention



Assistance in determining whether an A&E attendance is appropriate



AFTER 10PM

Calls will be answered by a call handler who will ensure CAMHS receives the information for appropriate follow-up the next morning.



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CONTACT CAMHS BEFORE REFERRING UNDER 18s TO A&E



Perseverance Awards for this week...

Year 1

Aaliyah, Patrick and Reya

Year 2

Finley and all of 2FG and 2CJ

Year 3

Rudi, Jack and Harrison

Year 4

Pranay, Henley, Ellis and Jayden

Additional Achievements

Melissa (Y3) Swimming award

Vincent (Y3) Swimming award

Alana (Y4) award

Alexis (Y4) Brownies

Willow (Y4) Football award

Avismit (Y4) Football award

Ruby (Y4) Kickboxing

Maisie (Y1) Swimming and gymnastics

Casper (Y1) Swimming award

Sylvie (Y1) Swimming award

Aaliyah (Y1) Writing and drawing award

Mason (Y1) Martial Arts





Key Dates 2026/27



Event:	Date:
Year 6 Paralympic Enrichment Day	5 th October
Harvest Celebrations	8 th October
World Mental Health Day - Hello Yellow	9 th October
Year 3 Library Visit	13 th October
Year 1 Victoria Park Trip	20 th October
EYFS & KS1 I Can Catch a Monster Workshop	22 nd October
INSET DAY	23 rd October
PTFA Halloween Disco	2 nd November
Year 3 Team Building & Resilience Enrichment Day	4 th November
Year 6 Remembrance Service	9 th November
Year 4 Cheerleading Enrichment Day	17 th November
School Photos - Tempest Photography	24 th November
Year 3 Wolseley Bridge Trip	25 th November
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	10 th December
Year 1 Christmas Performance	15 th December at 2:30pm
INSET DAY	4 th January



Key Dates 2026/27



Year 4 Laches Wood Trip	3rd - 5th February
Year 5 Egyptian Workshop	5th February
Year 3 Stone Age Workshop	25th February
Year 2 Farm Trip	3rd March
Year 1 Ancient High House Trip	9th & 10th March
Year 2 Peak Wildlife Trip	17th March
Year 2 Inclusion Games Enrichment Day	23rd March
INSET DAY	25th March
EYFS Playground Games/Skipping Enrichment Day	26th April
INSET DAY	7th June
Year 2 Stafford History Archives Trip	15th & 16th June
Year 2 West Kirby Beach Trip	23rd June
Year 1 Birches Valley	29th June