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Dear Parents and Carers,

A Polite Reminder About Safe Parking

We are once again asking for your support in helping us keep all children and families safe around school. Please ensure that you park considerately, avoiding:

- Parking on junctions or zig-zag lines
- Blocking driveways or private roads
- Stopping in the middle of the road to drop children off
- Reversing onto busy roads or turning in gateways

Unsafe parking and driving have been reported recently, and we want to prevent any accidents—especially during darker mornings and afternoons.

If you witness dangerous or inconsiderate driving, this should be reported directly to Staffordshire Police via 101 or through their online reporting system. <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Highways/Parking-and-enforcement/On-Street-Parking/Problem-parking/No-traffic-regulation-orders/Parking-near-to-schools.aspx>

Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe.

Assessment Week

This week is Assessment Week, which means all staff will be spending time checking where your child is in their learning.

For some children, this may involve completing an English or Maths test paper; for others, it may include activities such as reading phonic sounds, practising number bonds, or completing short practical tasks.

Please be reassured that staff know the children extremely well and will provide all the support and encouragement needed to make the week as calm and stress-free as possible. These assessments help teachers fine-tune their teaching so it is exactly at the right level for each child.

There is nothing for the children to worry about — they are simply showing what they can do as part of our usual learning routine.

Gifts for Staff – A Gentle Reminder

As we approach Christmas, we know that families often like to show their appreciation to staff. We are always grateful for the warmth and kindness shown by our school community.

However, we'd like to remind you of our Gifts and Hospitality Policy, which states that staff cannot accept cash, gift cards, or restaurant vouchers under any circumstances from parents, carers, suppliers, or anyone else. This ensures fairness, transparency, and compliance with Department for Education (ESFA) guidelines.

Your kind words, handmade cards, and simple gestures mean just as much — and are always truly valued by the team. Your support throughout the year is what makes the biggest difference.

If you wish to read the full Collective Vision Trust Gifts, Hospitality and Anti-Bribery Policy, it can be found here: <https://collectivevisiontrust.org.uk/index.php/reports/policies/222-cvt-gifts-hospitality-and-anti-bribery-policy/file>

Walking to and From School – Important Safety Guidance

Please can we remind parents and carers that:


- Children in Year 4 and below must be walked to school and collected at the end of the day.
- They should be collected by someone aged 16 or over.
- We have become aware of younger children walking to school without an adult — this is not permitted for their safety.

For pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 who walk to and from school independently:


- Please reinforce the importance of road safety, including using crossings, looking both ways, and staying alert.
- Recently, members of the public have expressed concerns about children running across roads without looking or walking while using mobile phones. Please speak to your child about avoiding distractions and being aware of their surroundings.

We continue to teach road safety in school, but your support at home is essential in keeping everyone safe.

Dates for Your Diary


 Wednesday 26th November (5:00–6:00pm) – EYFS Gruffalo Party Night

A magical evening of storytelling and fun for our youngest learners.

 A reminder that this Friday is non-uniform day and children are encouraged to bring in donations of chocolate, bottles or toiletries to support the Christmas Fair on Friday 5th December

 Friday 5th December – Christmas Fair

School closes at 2:00pm, and the fair runs 3:30–4:45pm. Join us for festive fun, raffles, and mince pies galore!

 Saturday 6th December – Year 6 Trip to The Lowry: *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*


A fantastic cultural adventure — and a reminder to staff to pack snacks!

 Festive Craft Afternoons


Tuesday 9th December – EYFS (2:00–3:00)

Wednesday 10th December – Years 1 & 2 (2:00–3:00)

Thursday 11th December – Years 3 & 4 (2:00–3:00)

 Thursday 11th December – Prefect Christmas Meal (5:00pm)


A well-earned celebration for our prefects!

 Friday 12th December – Christmas Jumper Day (£1 charity donation)

Get your sparkliest, silliest jumpers ready — flashing lights encouraged!

 Monday 15th – Thursday 18th December – Christmas Jumpers All Week!

Let's keep the festive cheer going.

 Christmas Concerts

- Tuesday 16th December – EYFS 2:00
- Wednesday 17th December – KS1 (9:00 and 2:15)
- Thursday 18th December – Selected Y4–6 children 2:00

 Friday 19th December – School Closed for Staff Training

Children start their Christmas holidays a day early while staff spend the day learning new things (and probably finishing off the mince pies!).

Stars of the Week

Nursery	Mrs Clowes	Naeto Usi for joining in with our songs of the week
Reception	Mrs Nixon	Ollie Gruska for a super week of learning
1L		Maddison Hawkes for always being helpful
1M		Arlia Dutton for being a kind and caring member of 1M
2B		Ezra Smith for fantastic participation in all lessons
2M		Logan Jackson for always being an absolute superstar in our class
3P		Amelia Hammonds for being a pleasure to teach
3R		Harrison Kwiatkowski for hitting his reading target this week
4B		Tyler Shaw for excellent participation in lessons
4M		Quentin Timmis for his fantastic mathematics work
5K		Ella Huxley for a fantastic attitude towards her learning this week
5S		Patrick Chivu for showing great resilience with his learning
6C		Penny Bennett for always epitomising our school motto and values
6S		Emmy-Lou Shaw for always making excellent choices in class

PE Stars

EYFS

Oscar Dale for being a super sports star

KS1

Lachlan Lawton for demonstrating creative shapes in Gymnastics

LKS2

Nova-Rae Roberts for bravery and excellent control in various rolling techniques

UKS2

Lucas Fox for a great effort and resilience when taking part in 'Challenge 25'

Head Teacher's Stars

NURSERY

Axel Serapiglia Fileni for brilliant storytelling and vocabulary

RECEPTION

Ilinca Ştefan for being the best she can be

KS1

Isabelle Shaw for her excellent progress in year 1

LKS2

Sophia Walker for being a helpful member of the school community (obviously a prefect in the making)

UKS2

Keira Kirk for demonstrating the school values every day

Attendance

Attendance best class this week: 4M 97%

Well done to 2B, 3P, 5K, and 6S who are all above 96%

Whole school attendance for the week is 93%

Team of the Week

R 1,600

Y 1,740

G 1,713

B 1,660

Team of the Term

R 18,938

Y 19,246

G 19,951

B 19,084

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