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Friday 28th March 2025



This half term, we are growing to be attentive to our experience and to our vocation; and discerning about the choices we make and the effects of those choices.



Gardening can become a spiritual exercise, teaching us discernment as we eliminate the weeds from our lives, giving what we value room to grow.

Diane Dreher - American Author and Psychologist

Catholic Life

Our next school Mass will be on Friday 11th April at 9:30am and will be led by Year 5.



In last week's newsletter we explained that we will be aiming to walk 200km on **Thursday 10th April** to raise money for CAFOD as part of our Lenten journey. We would love for family members to join us on the walk and will be meeting at St. Anthony's at **1:15pm**, to begin walking at 1:30pm.

We will be sending out a Microsoft Form so next week so that we can see how many people we are expecting. We would also welcome any donations to our fundraising page: <https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-anthonys-fundraising-page2025>

Even if we raise just £1 per pupil, we would be able to send over £250 to our brothers and sisters in need.

Dance Performance – please purchase your tickets by Wednesday 2nd April

St Anthony's Catholic Primary School

presents



Actions Speak Louder Than Words

at John Henry Newman Theatre

Chelmsley Rd, Chelmsley Wood, B37 5GA

Monday 7th April 2025

AM performance: 10:45am PM performance: 1:30pm

Running time – approximately 45 mins to 1 hour

£5 per ticket to admit – 1 person

Donations from the money raised from ticket sales will be made to Father Hudson's Caritas and CAFOD.

Tickets are now on sale via ParentPay priced at £5 each.

Due to restrictions in the theatre, we are currently only able to offer 2 tickets per family per performance but there may be an option to purchase more at a later date.

Years 2 to 6 will be taking part.



Childcare support @ St. Anthony's – Easter break

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KIDS FEST



April

22– 25

09:30 – 14:30



**St Anthony's
Catholic Primary School**



Free (HAF Code)

£15 (non HAF)

FUN ACTIVITIES

Sports

Crafts

Games

**Breakfast & Lunch
Included**

AGES 7–12

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INFO@WINNRSPORT.COM

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HAF**
Holiday Activities
And Food

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Walk once a week...



From Monday, we will be asking our pupils how they have travelled to school each day. If pupils can walk/wheel, cycle, scooter or 'park and stride'* to school **ONE DAY** each week, they will earn a badge at the end of the month.

*Park and stride means parking / getting off public transport at least 10 mins away from school and then walking the rest of the way.

WELCOME TO WOW!

Time to talk...

TAKEHOME

24th - 30th March



Do world leaders have a duty to help other countries?

'TUESDAY NEWS DAY'

This week we learnt that world leaders from around twenty countries are creating a group or 'coalition'. According to UK Prime Minister, Sir Keir Starmer, they will work together to support Ukraine. Their collective aim is to end the war between Ukraine and Russia. The new group setup follows a difficult meeting between Ukraine's President, Volodymyr Zelensky, and US President, Donald Trump. The two leaders argued, and the meeting ended without a solution.

Things you could talk about at home:

- How many world leaders can you name?
- In your opinion, how important is it for world leaders to work together?

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Pope Francis says...

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X

X



You have continued to pray for me with so much patience and perseverance: thank you so much! I also pray for you.

#PrayTogether

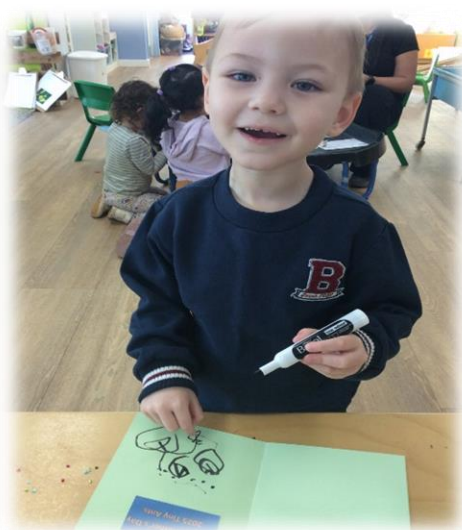
Tiny Ants



Our Tiny Ants 'star of the week' is Enzo C- for making new friendships



This week in Tiny Ants, we have been concentrating on Literacy and mark making. We have been looking at our family books, drawing pictures of people who are important to us and sharing with our friends and teachers.



Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been focusing on Mother's Day. We have been extremely creative and have used; stickers, glitter, glue and flowers to create our own unique Mother's Day cards. Nursery have also been putting lots of effort and enthusiasm into writing their names inside their cards and on all their creations.

We have also tried very hard to create portraits of our Moms and have spoken about why we love our Moms. Cutting and sticking flower pictures for our Moms has also been very popular this week.

Nursery have also loved planting sunflower seeds and we have worked hard on ordering the life cycle of a sunflower, whilst being able to recognise what a seed needs to grow.

Well Done Nursery!



Reception

This week in Reception we have had a lovely surprise... a specialist group of trainee doctors from the University of Birmingham, came into school to take part in a 'teddy bears workshop'. These were no ordinary teddies, they were special teddies. Each teddy bear had a different learning station. These stations taught us all about the human body; and we learnt about the different organs and how we care for our bodies. We even got to role play being doctors and attending an emergency scene in the play ambulance!

Thank you Reception, for another wonderful week!



Year 1

In Year 1, we started our new topic all about plants. In class we were identifying the names of different plants that grow in spring. Then we went on a nature walk around school; the children spotted; daffodils, tulips, onion, garlic, evergreen and blossom trees to name a few!

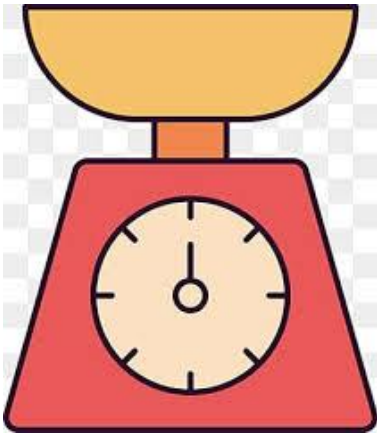
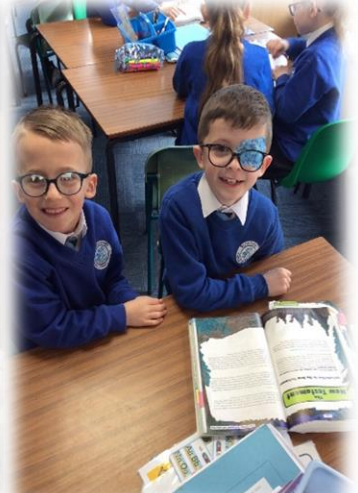
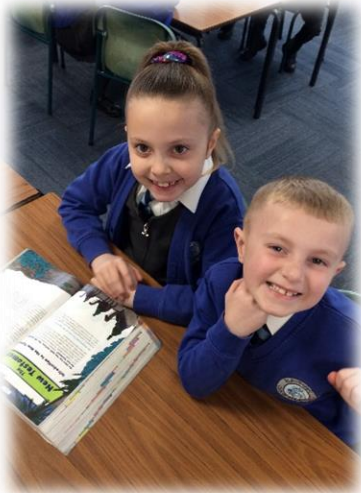


In Art we have been looking at 3D sculptures. We made 3D sculptures using different coloured paper. The children folded, twisted and turned the paper to create bold and colourful designs.



Year 2

Year 2 have been developing their Bible skills; starting with understanding the difference between the Old and New Testament, before exploring the Bible with their partners. In Maths, we have begun our measurement topic, using balance scales to compare weights with focus words like 'heavier,' 'lighter,' and 'mass.'



A big 'thank you' to the PTA for organising Bingo and the sweet treats from the Golden Ticket competition—Year 2 had a fantastic time!



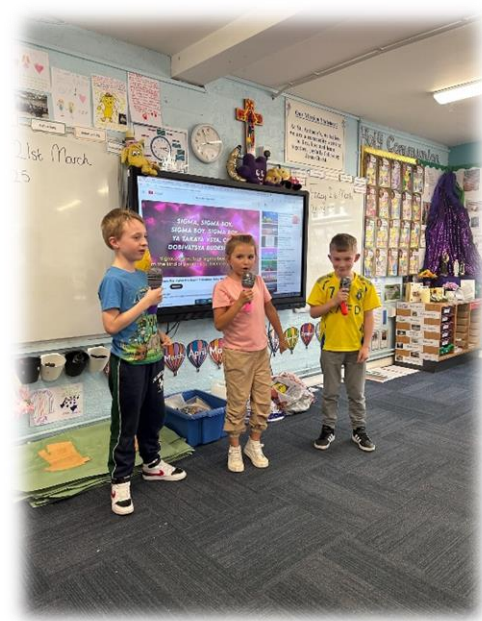
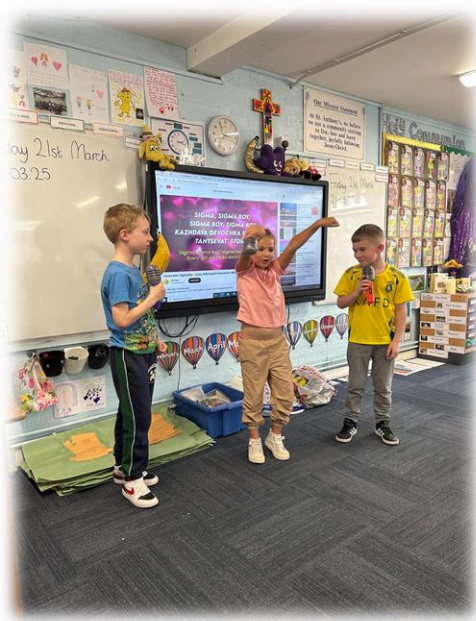
Year 3



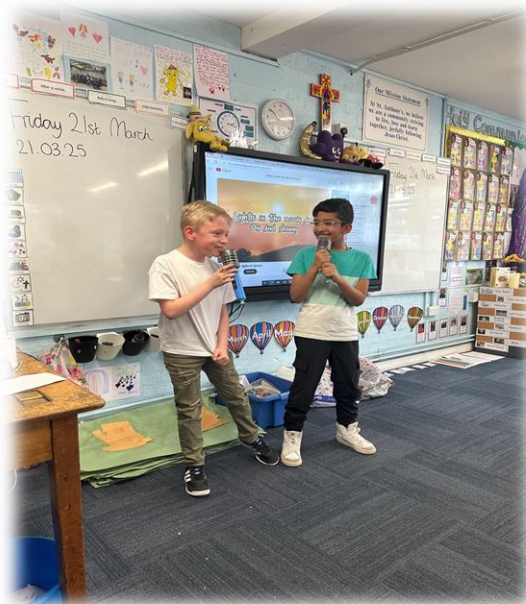
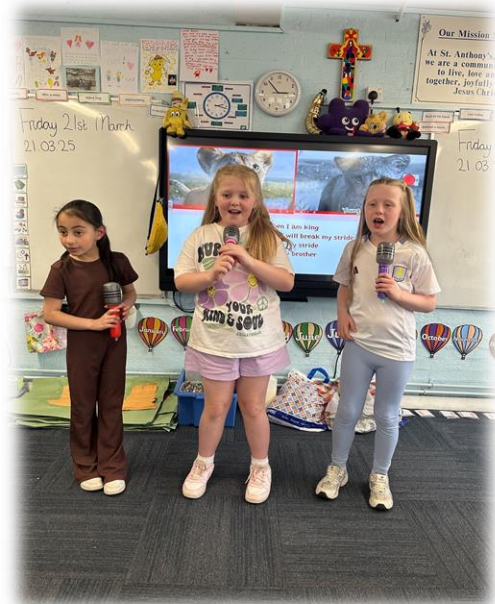
Year 3 have enjoyed making bird cakes and learning about seed dispersal this week. We also learned how to write our names in hieroglyphics.



Year 3 continued...



Last week we really enjoyed using our golden tickets for own clothes day and class karaoke!



Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been working really hard preparing for their upcoming SATs. Miss Cartwright, Miss Otis and Miss Yates just wanted to recognise all the effort and determination the children have shown whilst keeping up positive attitudes and continuing to work hard in all areas across the curriculum AND preparing for a dance show.

Well done Year 6!!



Mobile Phones

Information for Parents/Carers of children in Year 6

At St Anthony's Catholic Primary School, we recognise that on some occasions it may be helpful for a pupil to bring a mobile phone into school, for instance; if they walk to and from school unaccompanied. All pupils bringing a phone into school must have a good reason for doing so, and parents must have signed and returned our school agreement (please collect a copy from the school office).

Our Pupil Mobile Phone Agreement

Parents/ Carers recognise that the primary responsibility for online safety at home lies with Parents/Carers. More guidance for Parents and Carers can be found online:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

School will do all that we can to stress the importance of staying safe online and children will be taught how to achieve this, including through visits from the local PCSO.

School will seek to work with families to help them to encourage children to adopt safe use of mobile technology.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD CHILDREN USE THEIR PHONE WHILST AT SCHOOL.

When they arrive at school, children will turn off their phone and then place it in the mobile phone box in the school office.

Children will need to collect their phone, from the school office at the end of the day.

Children will be reminded by adults in school and at home, not to take photographs or videos of people without asking and **never** to take them on the way into or out of school.

Children not adhering to these rules will not be allowed to bring a phone into school and will need to be collected at the end of the day by a responsible adult.

Any phone brought in without permission will be returned to a Parent or Carer.

If we suspect that children are not using their phone responsibly, school has the right to confiscate or search a mobile phone. In the unlikely event of needing to do this, we will endeavour to contact a Parent or Carer before doing so. As part of this agreement, your child should agree to unlock the phone if required by a member of staff.

- We currently advise that the use of 'smart watches' is not appropriate in school due to risks of loss and damage.



Attendance



Our contact details are:

School email address: office@st-anthonys.solihull.sch.uk

Telephone number: 0121 770 3168

If your child is going to be absent from school **please let the office know**. You can do this by emailing, calling or leaving a voicemail. If we do not hear from you, your child's absence will be marked as unauthorised.

Thank you to everyone that has made contact, it really saves a lot of time!



Congratulations to today's attendance raffle winner:

Oak in Year 3

TTRS battle

The March battle is over and the winners were **Year 3!** Well done to the MVPs:

Year group	MVP	2 nd MVP	3 rd MVP
Year 2	Jiyaa	Anna	Arabella
Year 3	Patryk	Ivy	Ngoc-Anh
Year 4	Harlow	Lily-Mai	Alfie
Year 5	Edie-Pearl	William	Freddie
Year 6	Hope K	Sathvika	Leo

1st March - 27 March 2025 07:00 - 21:00



Y3 1855

Y4 1655

Y5 1293

Y6 1102

Y2 314



Online Safety for Parents and Carers

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about **BLUESKY SOCIAL APP**

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

With an App Store rating of 17+ & Google Play rating Mature

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

While Bluesky has been around since 2019, it's suddenly taken off in a big way thanks to a significant exodus from X (formerly Twitter). Indeed, it looks and behaves a lot like Twitter before Elon Musk bought the platform. Bluesky has been touted in recent months as a safer, more open-minded alternative to X – but like any social media site, it still has its share of risks.

NO PRIVATE ACCOUNTS

While most social networks allow accounts to be private, at the time of writing, all Bluesky accounts must be public. The development team has indicated this might change in the future, but the app is built on a public-first protocol. If private accounts are ever introduced, it may only be in a limited way – such as through the implementation of group chats.

INTERACTIONS WITH STRANGERS

Every account being public means that anyone can be contacted by anyone else. While users don't have to respond and can easily block people and move on, it does mean that youngsters are at particular risk of being conned by scammers, messaged by predatory adults or exposed to others with ill intentions. These hazards can be compounded by the fact that Bluesky doesn't require its users to provide their real name.

TROLLING AND BULLYING

While Bluesky currently feels a lot friendlier than X seems to have become, its lack of private accounts means that there's nothing to stop users from trolling and cyberbullying younger people. While accounts can be blocked and reported, a persistent bully could simply create a new profile, potentially making their victims feel unsafe in continuing to use the app.

DANGEROUS MISINFORMATION

Established news organisations have fact-checking and editing processes, but social networks have no such controls and can often serve as breeding grounds for misinformation and disinformation. Bluesky will possibly be no different once it reaches a certain size, and children may not have the critical thinking skills to tell fact from fiction – or to discern an informative, honest user from a malicious one.

ADULT TARGET AUDIENCE

Bluesky isn't designed with children in mind, and there aren't many parental controls on the platform. In an interview with the BBC, Bluesky's CEO originally said that the app would only allow users aged 18 and above to sign up, but a spokesperson later clarified its age restriction as 13+. This could imply the app was originally meant for an adult audience and suggests that making the platform more child-friendly might not currently be a priority.

RAPID GROWTH

At the time of writing, Bluesky seems calm in comparison with other social networks where moderation is lax and the atmosphere toxic – but that's due at least in part to its smaller community. The app has recently been adding as many as a million users per day, and if that continues, there'll be more unpleasant users to handle, and moderators could struggle to maintain the pleasant environment Bluesky is currently known for.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE THE ADULT CONTENT FILTER

Bluesky doesn't have much in the way of parental controls, but there are content filters which can hide sexual and graphic imagery. These are enabled by default for underage accounts but can be manually turned on in the 'Moderation' section of the app's settings. The 'advanced' Bluesky Moderation Service lets you restrict content even further, hiding – for example – self-harm content, extremist rhetoric, and even rude posts.

ENCOURAGE BLOCKING AND REPORTING

Another tool that Bluesky uses to ensure a decent experience is muting and blocking accounts. The former prevents you from seeing a specific user's content, while the latter stops them from seeing yours. If a child is encountering trolls or bullies on the platform, encourage them to use this function, while also reporting the offenders to help make the platform a nicer place for everyone.

LOOK OUT FOR FAKES

Impersonation is a problem on all social networks. While the consequences are usually benign, imposters sometimes attempt to scam or groom children by pretending to be a popular influencer or online personality. Bluesky is unique in that it can be connected to official domains, with users' handles linking to other sites; while this isn't widely used right now, it could be a reliable way to verify celebrities and public figures in future.

KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

As with all social media platforms, moderation and content filters can only do so much; it's highly likely that a child will eventually face something unsavoury. For that reason, it's important to make sure that young people are aware of the risks and know how to handle the technology if anything they see on the app makes them feel unsafe or uncomfortable.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



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Support for Parents and Carers

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Rising to the challenge

Solihull

A 6 week programme for parents and carers of autistic children

The course will help attendees gain a more in depth knowledge of autism and how it impacts the person that you care for.

We will be looking at autism as a spectrum, communication, anxiety, sensory differences and much more.

Dates and times to be confirmed

Our Autism Specialist Advisers will deliver the training and support attendees to identify strategies to help support the autistic young person they are caring for.



To attend: Must live in Birmingham or Solihull. Course is for parents/Carers. Full address to be released when we have everyone registered

Easter craft workshops for Tiny Ants, Nursery & Reception

Tiny Ants & Nursery: Tuesday 8th April 2025

Morning Nursery Parents	11 am (Nursery Classroom)
Morning Tiny Ants Parents	11am (Tiny Ants Classroom)
All Day Nursery Parents	2pm (Nursery Classroom)
Afternoon Tiny Ants Parents	2pm (Tiny Ants Classroom)



Reception: Thursday 10th April 2025

Reception Parents 2pm (School Hall)

Can you help our Early Years?

Early Years would appreciate donations of pants, socks, tights and trousers suitable for children aged 2 - 4 years old please.

Thank you, The Early Years Team.



Family Helpline

Early Help support for families
and professionals in Solihull

0121 788 4327

Live from 3 March 2025

Available Monday-Thursday 09:00-16:30,
Friday 09:00-16:00

Our dedicated team of duty workers support
with topics such as:

- Parenting and family guidance
- School attendance and support in coordinating Early Help assessments and plans
- Signposting to local services such as Solihull Family Hubs
- Child behavioural issues and social development
- Health and emotional wellbeing
- Referrals to Family Support Workers

For safeguarding concerns, such as if a child is at risk of being harmed, call the Solihull Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) on 0121 788 4300



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SAFETY!

An important message from the School Parking Enforcement Team...

In October 2024 I sent an email and information regarding school parking and the laws around it for you to disseminate to parents/careers. The team have seen little improvement and continue to get complaints from the local residents and the wider community. We have decided to take robust action and will no longer take a lenient approach by words of advice. All drivers committing a road traffic offence will receive a ticket through the post. Please pass this message onto parents/careers via the appropriate channels to avoid these fines.



School Tie



We now have a new clip tie priced at £4.90 each available to purchase from the office. If you would like one, please make a payment on ParentPay and collect from the school office.

Support for Parents and Carers

As part of Solihull's Early Help offer there is a helpline for Parents and Carers to get help and support. Here is the timetable for the Evergreen Hub (next to Kingshurst School).



Wherever you live in Solihull, we're here to support you

Family Hubs are local centres where children, young people, and families can access support and take part in fun activities. Our friendly staff and service providers work in partnership with you and your community to access the information and support you need. Some services offer drop-in sessions, whilst others require booked appointments. The Hubs are a safe space for you and your loved ones.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Employment, training and digital skills support - 09:00-16:00 Support with job searching, creating, emailing and sending your CV. Drop in or call 0121 779 1724 to book an appointment.</p> <p>Solihull College - 09:30-11:30 Contact Evergreen to book a place. What the Children do at school. Supporting your children with Maths and English (KS1). Term time only.</p> <p>Stay and play - 13:00-15:00 Come and play and meet new friends. Suitable for ages 0-4 and their parents/carers. No booking required, just come along and join in the fun!</p> <p>SOLAR - 14:00-16:00 NHS mental health service. Contact SOLAR to book an appointment.</p> <p>After-school activities - 15:30-16:30 Bring your homework, play board games, do quizzes, art, table tennis and other fun activities. Suitable for ages 4-12, parents/carers must stay and supervise their children.</p>	<p>Health Visitor clinic - 09:00-14:00 Booked appointments for parents and their babies and children with the Health Visiting team. Book by speaking to your Health Visitor.</p> <p>Community coffee morning - 10:30-12:00 Come in for a cuppa and tell us what you'd like to see happening at Evergreen, find out more about volunteering and other services in your local area.</p>	<p>Employment, training and digital skills support - 09:00-16:00 Support with job searching, creating, emailing and sending your CV. Drop in or call 0121 779 1724 to book an appointment.</p> <p>Health in the hearts of our community social group - 10:30-12:00 Social group including fun, games and a cuppa! Learn more about heart health.</p> <p>Midwife clinic - 12:30-16:00 By appointment, only with community midwives. Book by speaking to your GP or midwife.</p> <p>Family support worker drop-in - 13:00-16:00 Drop-in service, advice, support and signposting to other services.</p> <p>After-school activities - 15:30-16:30 Bring your homework, play board games, do quizzes, art, table tennis and other fun activities. Suitable for ages 4-12, parents and carers must stay and supervise their children.</p>	<p>Health Visitor clinic - 09:00-14:00 Booked appointments for parents and their babies and children with the Health Visiting team. Book by speaking to your Health Visitor.</p> <p>Midwife clinic - 12:30-16:00 By appointment only with community midwives. Book by speaking to your GP or midwife.</p>	<p>Midwife clinic - 09:00-16:00 By appointment only with community midwives. Book by speaking to your GP or midwife.</p> <p>Stay and play - 10:00-12:00 Come and play and meet new friends. Suitable for ages 0-4 and their parents/carers. No booking required, just come along and join in the fun!</p> <p>After-school activities - 12:30-14:30 Bring your homework, play board games, do quizzes, art, table tennis and other fun activities. Suitable for 4-12 years, parents/carers must stay and supervise their children.</p> <p>Community walk and litter pick - 14:30-16:00 Explore the local area.</p>

Wellbeing and advice

Here2Help

Family Hubs can help with food, toiletries, fuel, money, staying well, and keeping safe. To find out more, visit www.solihull.gov.uk/here2help.

Health visiting

To speak to a health visitor, text Chat Health on 0750 733 2563 between 09:00-16:00, Monday-Friday.

Women's Aid

If you or someone you know needs support, call Women's Aid at [0800 300 0000](tel:0800300000). Available seven days a week, 09:15-17:15.

Mental health support

The Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust provide guidance and reassurance to people of all ages. Call [0800 015 9292](tel:08000159292) or [0121 260 3444](tel:01212603444).

Midwives

Please call your midwife using the phone number in your red book.

What else can the Family Hubs offer?

Help and support

Speak to our friendly staff

Stay and play area

Toys, books, and soft play

Sensory room

To book, call [0121 779 4943](tel:01217794943)

Computers and private work pods

Internet and phone access

Community wardrobe

Free warm winter clothing

[42 Kingshurst Way, Kingshurst, Solihull, B37 6DX](https://www.solihull.gov.uk/evergreen)

Get Pedalling

GET PEDALLING

Solihull



FREE Easter Get Pedalling Sessions

FUN cycle training available for children aged 5+

The perfect opportunity for children to learn to ride
gain basic cycle skills and grow in confidence.

Outdoor at Tudor Grange Cycle Track – 14th, 15th & 25th April

Indoor at North Solihull Sport Centre – 23rd & 24th April

Various morning or afternoon sessions are available.

You can bring your own bike/helmet or borrow one. Please let us know upon booking. Please note, there are a limited number of children's bikes and frame sizes.

Book via: <https://solihull.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking>

These sessions are part of the West Midlands Cycle & Walk programme



If you would like further information please email bikeability@solihull.gov.uk

Support for Parents and Carers

Support with school attendance

EPAS attendance support drop-in – 11:45am-1:30pm

Need help with your child's attendance? Attend one of our sessions for attendance support.

Chloe and Liz from the Education Participation Advisory Service will be offering attendance advice, support and guidance

Every Tuesday 12-1:30pm at Elmwood Place, 37 Burtons Way, Birmingham B36 0UG



Free Food Tasting

On Thursday 3rd April, from 3 -3.30pm our Catering provider ASPENS will be offering 'free food tasting'. Come along and sample some of the lovely dishes that are available to our children at lunchtime!



Support for Parents and Carers

Did you know Solihull now has a new Family Help Line?



This has launched to support families and the people around them. You can now call 0121 788 4327 for advice, information, strategies & support on things like:

- Parenting support
- Family conflict particularly because of difficulties managing children's behaviours
- Parents/carers needing support if they are struggling to get their child/ren into school and getting in trouble because of this
- Parents/carers struggling to manage their child's health, developmental or social needs (including mental health)

The team can offer:

- Signposting to services and what's on offer at the Family Hubs
- Referral to a Family Support Worker
- Advice and Support on the wider Early Help offer & how this works

**** This is not a safeguarding or social work service, so if you are worried about a child being unsafe – please call the MASH on 0121 788 4300.**

According to Ofcom, 90% of children are watching online videos and browsing the internet regularly. Children may love to stream videos and look up information, it's a fun way to learn and relax after all but they must be guided. The e-space is filled with inappropriate content and dangerous material. It is important that parents and even teachers, are able to steer their pupils and youngsters, towards the right places when online. Internet Matters has published a guide dedicated to supporting adults in setting digital boundaries for children, so that they can make smart choices and build healthy online habits. In the Internet Matters guide you'll find practical tips on managing content access, the use of safety controls, advice on setting boundaries and ways to educate children on how to stay secure online. If interested please follow the link below:

[Browsing and watching online safely guide Internet Matters](#)

Next week's menu ...

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL
Week 1

Autumn Winter
2024-25:
2/9, 23/9, 14/10,
4/11, 25/11,
16/12, 6/1, 27/1

THE MAIN EVENT
Margherita Pizza Slice and Wedges

MEAT-FREE MAGIC
Veggie Dish
Veggie Pepper and Sweetcorn Pizza Slice with Wedges

RAINBOW ALLEY
Vegetables and Salads
Sweetcorn

BIG TOPPING
Filled Jackets
Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo

DESSERT TROLLEY
Toffee Frozen Yoghurt

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT
AVAILABLE DAILY

DAILY SANDWICHES AVAILABLE

PASTA TWIRLER
AVAILABLE EVERY DAY
Topped Pasta
Hot Pasta topped with Homemade Tomato Sauce and Cheese

T1

Due to school dinners being cooked fresh, please ensure that you pre order meals that your child will eat. Unfortunately, we cannot offer alternatives

Blue Runner

It is essential that all parents/carers have registered for a Blue Runner, even if your child does not order a school meal. You can register using the following link is <https://olaas.myschoolmealorders.com/login>. If you need any support in signing up, please let the school office know.

Thanks to the majority of parents who have signed up and who are pre ordering meals. We have had some brilliant Blue Runner feedback!

Special menu: 10th April

FOOD
FESTIVAL

DELICIOUS DESSERTS

10th April

Main Meal Meat Option

Fajita Fiesta

Or

Main Meal Vegetarian Option

Veggie Mac & Cheese

Please with a side order of **Peas**

Apple Scrapple Sponge

Jelly Jive

Brookie-O Cookie

**Topped pasta, Jacket potato & sandwiches
also available**

*Don't forget to book via
Blue Runner*

<https://olaas.myschoolmealorders.com/login>

Lunchtime MUGA activities

Years 2-6 will have a designated MUGA day, allowing students to participate in competitive sports alongside their classmates.

If your child would like to take part in MUGA activities on their allocated day, please ensure they bring trainers to change into at lunchtime.

Monday - Year 6

Tuesday - Year 4

Wednesday - Year 3

Thursday - Year 2

Friday - Year 5



P.E Days

Please read carefully as the PE days can change from week to week.

Week beginning Monday 31st March

Reception – Friday

Year 1 – Monday and Friday

Year 2 – Tuesday and Friday

Year 3 - Tuesday (swimming) and Thursday

Year 4 - Monday and Tuesday

Year 5 – **Tuesday**, Wednesday and Thursday

Year 6 – **Tuesday** and Wednesday



Please remember that pupils need to come into school in their PE kits on these days:

- plain white t shirts (or those with the school badge on)
- **PLAIN BLACK** shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings.
- Hair must be tied back
- No jewellery should be worn.
- Please remove your child's earrings before school. If your child's ears have been recently pierced, please cover the earrings with plasters to enable your child to participate in PE.



Diary Dates



2025

Mon 7 th Apr	Year 2 – Year 6	Dance show at JHNCC
Tues 8 th Apr	Tiny Ants and Nursery	Easter craft workshops 11am and 2pm (see p 5 of the 28.2.25 newsletter for more info)
Thurs 10 th Apr	Reception	Easter craft workshop 2pm
Fri 11 th Apr	Whole school	Whole school Mass at 9:30am – Year 5 leading
Fri 11 th Apr	Whole school	Last day of half term for pupils

EASTER HOLIDAYS:

Monday 14th April - Friday 25th April 2025

Mon 28 th Apr	Whole school	Pupils return to school – start of Summer Term
Mon 5 th May	Whole school	May Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 12 th – Thurs 15 th May	Year 6	SATs week
Fri 23 rd May	Whole school	Last day of half term for pupils

HALF TERM HOLIDAY:

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May

Mon 2 nd Jun	Whole school	INSET DAY FOR STAFF – no pupils in school
Tues 3 rd Jun	Whole school	Return to school
Fri 11 th Jul	Whole school	PTA Summer Fayre
Fri 18 th Jul	Whole school	Last day of the school year for pupils
Mon 21 st Jul	Whole school	INSET DAY FOR STAFF – no pupils in school

DATES OF SACRAMENTS 2025

Sat 7 th Jun 11am	Year 3	Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Holy Communion)
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Term dates 2025 - 2026

	Term starts	Half term	Term ends
Autumn	1 st September 2025	27 th Oct – 31 st Oct	19 th December 2025
Spring	5 th January 2026	16 th Feb – 20 th Feb	27 th March 2026
Summer	13 th April 2026	25 th May - 29 th May	20 th July 2026

Inset days: 1st September, 24th October, 23rd February, 20th July plus two more dates TBC



Head Teacher's Awards



Congratulations!

Reception – Dylan – for always shining like Jesus, and having a positive attitude to learning! 😊

Year 1 – Arlo – for his creativity and brilliant imagination. Keep shining!

Year 2 – Nancy P – for being a lovely Kagan partner, and a joy to teach! 😊

Year 3 – Ngoc Anh Vien – for being hardworking and kind. You are a model student and a joy to teach 😊

Year 4 – Lucie – for being a constant ray of sunshine in the Year 4 classroom 😊

Year 5 – Freya – for showing confidence and developing a positive can-do attitude.

Year 6 – Louise – for being a ray of sunshine and always having a positive attitude.

