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Friday 19th September 2025

This half term, we are growing to be eloquent and truthful in what we say of ourselves, the relations between people, and the world.



What I know for sure is that speaking your truth is the most powerful tool we have.

Oprah Winfrey – American Broadcaster

At St. Anthony's, we are always looking for ways to share and celebrate the wonderful things happening in our classrooms and wider school community.

To make this even easier and more engaging, we will be moving from using **Twitter (X)** to **Instagram** as our main social media platform.

Please complete the form below to update photo permissions for your child:

<https://forms.office.com/e/g3cbswytY6>

Thank you to the 87 parents/carers who have already responded this week.

NURSERY

Nursery applications for September 2026 are now available from the school office. The closing date for applications is 19th December 2025.



Time to talk...

TAKEHOME

15th - 21st
September



Why do we vote?



'TUESDAY NEWS DAY'

This week we learnt that schools in the UK will soon need to give more lessons on democracy, how voting works, and how the country is run. This is because the voting age for the general election is being lowered to 16. Many agree that young people need to be ready to make informed decisions. At first, these lessons will be for children aged 14 and over, but the plan is to begin teaching these issues from 11 years of age, so everyone has plenty of time to learn.

Things you could talk about at home:

- What age do you think we should learn about voting?
- Have you ever voted? What was the outcome?

X

Pope Leo XIV says...

X

X

X



At times we seek quick answers, immediate solutions. But God works in depth, in the slow time of trust.

School Absence Requests

We would like to remind all families that **Leave of Absence requests must be submitted to the school office at least four weeks in advance** of the proposed absence date.

Please note that, in line with government guidance, **holidays during term time cannot be authorised**. However, if your child will be absent from school for any reason, you are still required to complete a Leave of Absence request form so that we can record the absence appropriately.

If the reason for absence is due to illness, **medical evidence may be requested** to support the absence.

We kindly ask all families to be honest about the reason for any absence. It is not fair to put children in the difficult position of feeling they must hide the truth about where they have been. Transparency helps us to maintain trust and ensures accurate school records.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Medication

REMINDER: Please remember to bring in any medication your child may need including inhalers.



Illness and Attendance

Student Illness and School Attendance

To ensure the health and well-being of all students and staff, we kindly ask that you keep your child at home if they are experiencing symptoms of illness. Children should remain home if they have a fever of 100.4°F (38°C) or higher, are vomiting, have diarrhoea or show signs of contagious conditions.

Unacceptable Reasons for School Absence

While we understand that every child may occasionally feel unwell, it is important to distinguish between minor discomfort and genuine illness that warrants absence from school. Vague symptoms such as “feeling unwell,” mild headaches, or general tiredness are not considered valid reasons to keep a child home and absence due to these reasons will not be authorised. In such cases, we encourage parents to use appropriate over-the-counter medication, such as paracetamol, before school. If your child’s condition worsens during the day, school staff will monitor them and contact you if it becomes necessary for them to be collected. Regular attendance is essential for your child’s academic progress and social development. We appreciate your support in ensuring that absences are limited to genuine illness in line with school guidelines.

Secondary School Open Evening

Open Evening

Wednesday 24th September 2025

4.30 - 6.30pm

Talks by the Principal at
4.45pm and 5.45pm

www.kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk

 0121 329 8300

 info@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk



**** The deadline for Secondary School applications is:
31st October 2025 ****

Catholic Life

This month, Carlo Acutis became a saint when he was canonized by Pope Leo XIV. Carlo was an inspirational young man who called the Eucharist his 'Highway to Heaven'.



To celebrate this, Fr. Sean very kindly explained to us all about 'Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament' and then led us in some time of adoration and benediction after Year 6's wonderful Mass on Wednesday.

Marley's Fundraiser

Marley's fundraiser to meet his heroes



SUN 9TH NOV 12-5

THE PAVILLIONS KINGSHURST

Standing Strong with MARLEY – Fighting Leukemia for the 3rd Time 🙏

Our courageous 4 year old , Marley, is facing their third relapse with leukemia. Despite enduring countless treatments and hospital stays, Marley continues to fight with incredible bravery.

After facing this battle not once, but multiple times, we want to give them something beyond hospitals and treatments: a chance to experience joy, laughter, and magic.

Marley's biggest dream is to visit Disneyland – to meet their favorite characters, ride the attractions, and create memories that will last forever. We're asking for your help to make this dream possible.

Donations will go directly toward travel, accommodations, and park tickets for Marley and their family, giving them a much-needed break filled with love and happiness.

👉 Share this fundraiser to spread the word

Every contribution, big or small, brings Marley one step closer to the happiest place on earth.

Thank you for helping us create magical memories for a truly special child.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you.



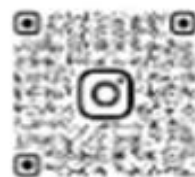
Raffle, tombola, card games, ice cream van, bouncy castle, mascots



**DONATIONS TO BE MADE
VIA LAURA SMITH 23-01-20 10063400**

For more information contact Laura Smith
07584358204

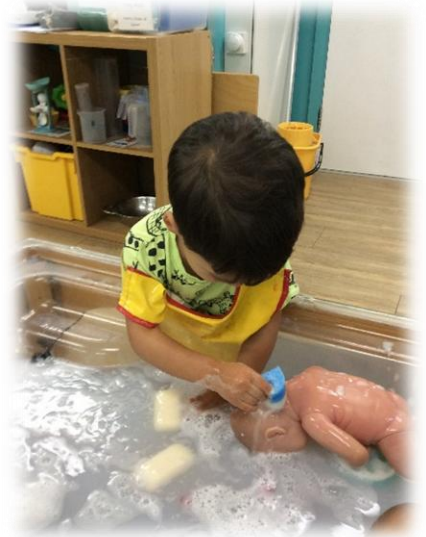
Tickets can be purchased via myself,
pay on the door on the day
£2 adults £1 child



#MARLEYSFIGHT_AML

Tiny Ants

We have been learning how to look after our baby dolls: washing and drying them and rubbing lotion, oil, and talc to make them soft. Mrs Wedge helped us to make playdough and then we used; mommy, daddy, brothers, sisters, nanny and grandad cutters to create our families. We are making new friendships through pretending to be doctors and socialising at lunch time.



Nursery

This week in Nursery we have focused on 'number nursery rhymes'. Each day we have picked a different nursery rhyme to act out using props. These have included: 'Five Currant Buns', 'Five Little Ducks' and 'Five Little Speckled Frogs'. We have matched our currant buns, ducks and frogs to the numbers 1-5, and we are working hard to represent numbers 0-5 on our fingers.



Nursery have also worked hard on learning their colours and have even been able to match toys to the correct colour bowl using tweezers. Additionally, Nursery have started work on being able to recognise their name cards for our special daily 'monster posting' game.

Reception

This week in Reception, the children have been busy learning and exploring in so many exciting ways. We have been practising new sounds and handwriting with fantastic progress! We have been developing our maths skills by subitising to 3 and creating patterns in different ways. During our prayer liturgy, reflecting on last Sunday's Mass for the Exaltation of the Cross, the children asked some thoughtful and heartfelt questions about the meaning of the cross. In class, we have been following our interests through imaginative role play – enjoying picnics and parties and even building dens together. In music, we explored how to change our voices to become different characters, experimenting with both high and low voices and putting this into practice with puppets and role play.



Year 1

Year 1 have begun some new topics this week, including 'Toys Over Time' in History. We worked together to look at some old toys and figure out what they were and the differences between them and the toys we use now. We also enjoyed a Celebration of the Word on the theme of St. Anthony and attended whole school Mass and adoration to celebrate St. Carlo Acutis. We also looked at apps that are safe those that are unsafe for us to use as part of our online safety topic.



Year 2

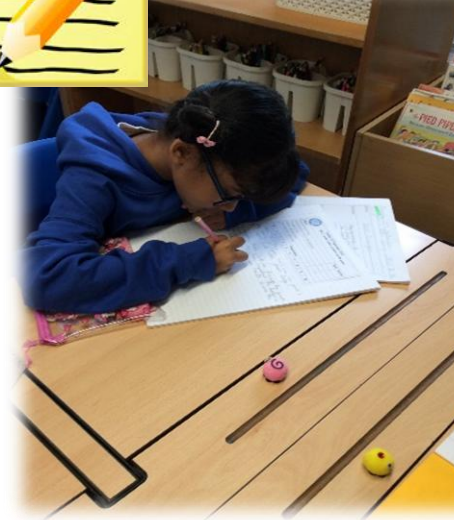
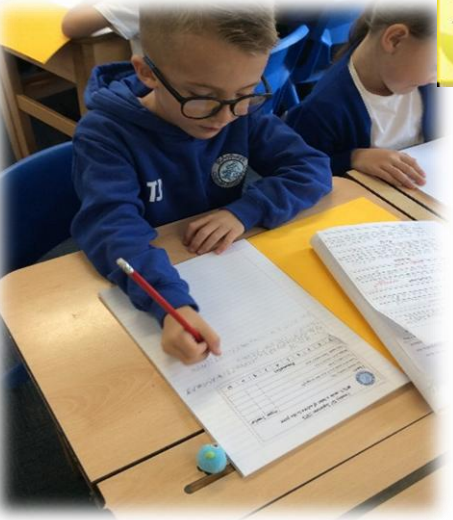
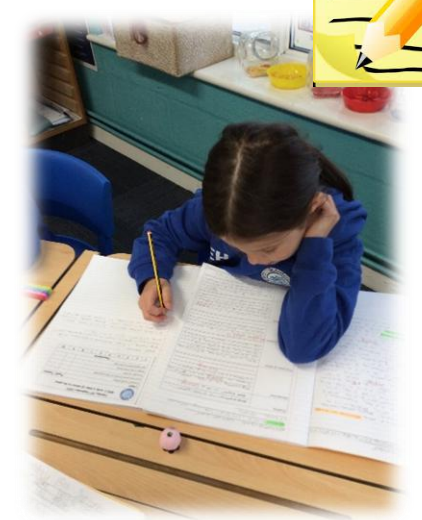
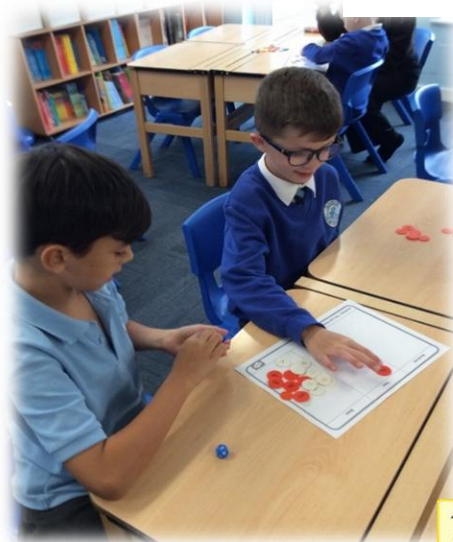
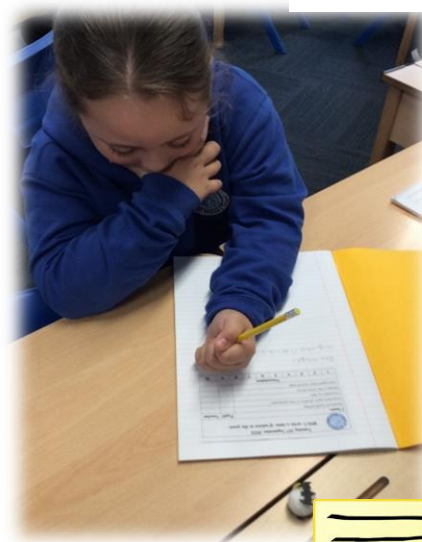
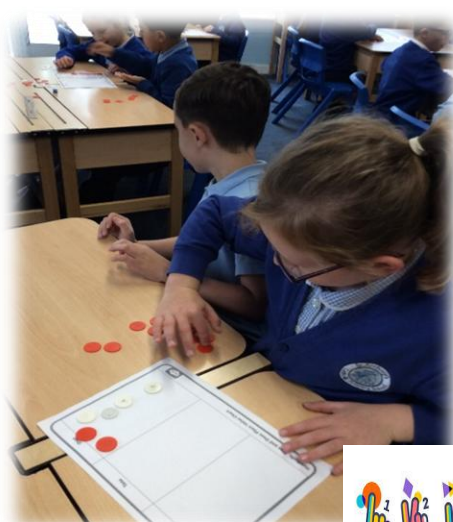
We have had a lovely week in Year 2!

We have been learning lots of farm animals' names in Spanish and have done some wonderful drawings of them. In Geography, we have been learning about the five oceans and the children did so well at this. It has also been an exciting week because on Wednesday, we celebrated Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament as our class saint, Carlo Acutis, was canonized recently.

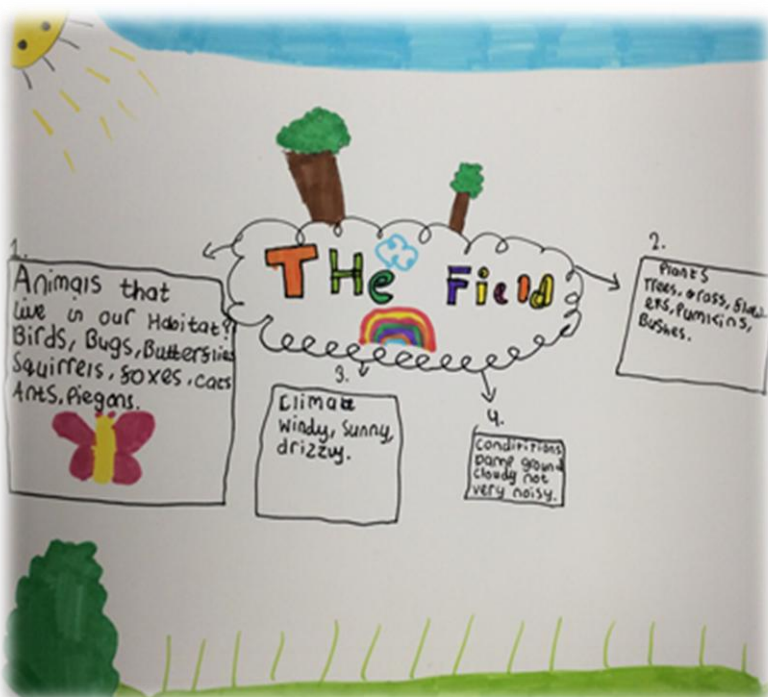
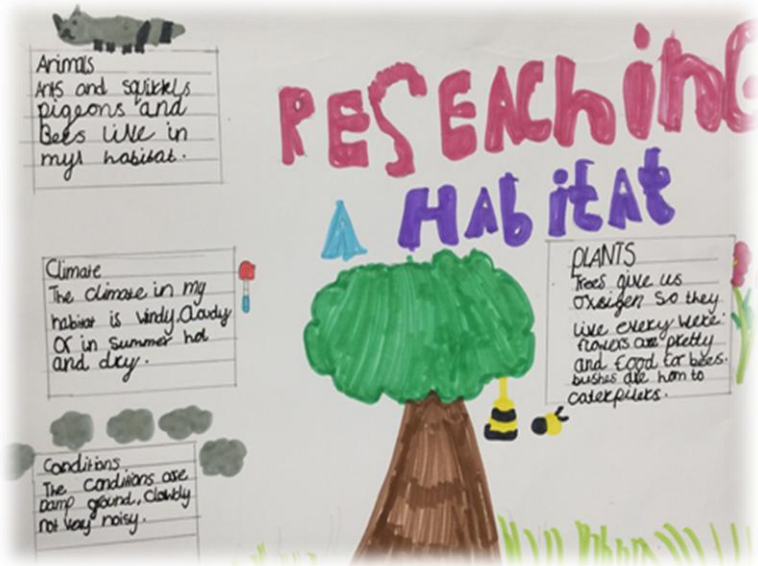


Year 3

Year 3 were joined by the quiet critters this week, who helped us to remain silent and focused as we wrote a letter to the giant offering advice. We also played a fun game in Maths to help us with exchanging.



Year 4



This week in science, we braved the gusty winds to research a habitat very close to home - our school field! We created posters to tell everyone about the animals and plants that live there. In Spanish, we ventured a little further away to play a game of 'Simon Dice' (Simon Says). We have had another amazing week and are looking forward to travelling far away again to create our holiday brochures in English.



Year 6

In Art, the children in Year 6 have been studying macro photography. As part of their lesson, they had to compose a close-up photograph of a natural form. We chose to focus upon different fruits and vegetables. Check out these incredible photographs that they took!



Summer Uniform

Summer uniform can be worn after Easter until Autumn Term in October.

School Caps

School caps are recommended during the hot weather, these can be purchased from the School Office and are £6 (please pay on ParentPay)

School caps only – no other caps to be worn



Boys

**Grey trousers or school shorts*

**White sleeved shirt with a school tie or blue or white polo shirt*

**Black school shoes*

**Blue school jumper*

Girls

**Grey skirt, trousers, pinafore or blue gingham dress*

**White blouse with tie or blue or white polo shirt*

**Black school shoes (no heels, no sandals)*

**Blue school cardigan or jumper*

SEND Mass

Mass for children and young people
with special needs and disabilities

Saturday 4th October

11am

St Thomas More Church,
130 Horse Shoes Lane,
Sheldon,
Birmingham
B26 3HU



All are welcome to our special
mass - from all parishes

All volunteers are
DBS checked

Wheelchair
accessible



Please join us after mass in the
parish centre for refreshments

Water Safety Lessons

North Solihull Sports Centre is offering free Water Safety Lessons for children aged 6 to 11 years. These sessions are designed to be both fun and educational, equipping your child with essential skills to stay safe and confident around water.

Water activities are a delightful part of summer, but safety is paramount.

Our engaging lessons aim to:

- **Build Confidence:** Helping children feel comfortable and secure in the water.
- **Teach Vital Skills:** From recognising potential hazards to responding effectively in emergencies.
- **Promote Lifelong Safety Habits:** Encouraging responsible enjoyment of water-based activities.

Course Details:

- **Location:** North Solihull Sports Centre, Conway Road, B37 5LA
- **Start Date:** Tuesday, 23rd September 2025
- **Session Times:** Between 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM (based on ability)
- **Duration:** 30-minute session per child, once a week
- **Course Length:** 12 weeks
- **Cost:** Absolutely free!



How to Secure a Spot:

Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. To reserve your child's place: 1. Scan the QR code below. 2. Complete the application form—please submit one per child. If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out to our team at northsolihullactivities@everyoneactive.com. Let's make this summer both fun and safe by empowering our children with the skills they need to enjoy water activities confidently!

Water Safety for EVERYONE!



184th 1st Kingshurst Scout Group

184th 1st KINGSHURST SCOUT GROUP



JOIN TODAY.

TIME TO TAKE YOUR LIFE TO THE NEXT LEVEL.

Squirrels

Ages 4-6

Wednesdays 5 - 6 pm

1stkhgsl@gmail.com

BEAVERS

Ages 6-8

Monday 5:15 - 6:15pm



SCOUTS

Ages 10½-14

Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm

cubs

Ages 8-10 ½

Mondays 6:30 - 8:00pm

184th Kingshurst
Scout Hut Off
Bassetts Grove
Kingshurst
B37 6DR

EXPLORERS

Ages 14-18

Wednesdays 6 : 30 - 8:30pm

Online Safety for Parents and Carers

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

SNAP STREAK

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

With over 900 million active monthly users and billions of 'Snaps' sent each month, Snapchat is a popular messaging app among children and young people. It allows users to share fun, spontaneous pictures and videos with friends and family while using playful filters. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures, videos and messages are only viewable for a short period of time.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Snapchat's use of artificial intelligence (AI) includes features like the 'My AI' chatbot and AI-powered filters, offering interactive experiences that can be fun but also pose risks. These tools may share unfiltered or inaccurate responses, promote unrealistic beauty standards, and collect personal data. Advanced filters and deepfake-style lenses can distort reality, potentially leading to manipulation, impersonation, or inappropriate content.



SCREEN ADDICTION

Snapchat boosts user engagement and daily use with features like streaks (daily Snapchat exchanges between you and a friend). When a streak's been going for a few days, users will see a 🍀 emoji. The number alongside it shows the number of days, but if users miss a day and break the streak, the only way to restore it is to pay. This encourages daily use habits, and frequent notifications can keep users returning to the app even more often.



SEXTORTION

Because Snapchat's disappearing messages feature may foster a sense of safety, users may become targets of sextortion. For example, a predator may pressure someone into sending nude images, then somehow capture those images to threaten and intimidate the victim. This might involve claiming they will share the images with friends or family unless money is paid.



SNAPCHAT+

Snapchat+ is the platform's premium subscription service, offering early access to new and exclusive features. In June 2025, Snapchat introduced a new tier called Lens+, giving subscribers access to hundreds of lenses and AR experiences for playing, creating, and sharing Snaps. These paid features may encourage young users to spend money to access exclusive content, increasing the risk of overspending or feeling pressured to make in-app purchases.



ACCESSIBILITY

Snapchat is now accessible from a web browser, meaning children can use it on a laptop or tablet without downloading the app. This can make activity harder to monitor, reduce the effectiveness of parental controls, and increase the risk of unsupervised communication or exposure to inappropriate content.



INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's disappearing messages feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.



Advice for Parents & Educators

ACCESS THE SNAPCHAT FAMILY SAFETY HUB

Created with guidance from Common Sense Media, Snapchat has developed a Family Safety Hub that explains how the app works and how to use its in-app protections for teens. It's recommended that you review this guidance before allowing a child to download Snapchat. Remember, the app is only intended for children aged 13 and over.



ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.



BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger connects with a child on Snapchat and makes them feel uncomfortable by pressuring them to send or receive unwanted or inappropriate images, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile to report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user, with a tailored reporting section under the 'Nudity and Sexual Content' category. In this category, there's the option to report somebody for threatening to leak sexually explicit images, or 'nudes'.



USE PRIVACY SETTINGS TOGETHER

Sit down with the children in your care and explore Snapchat's privacy settings as a shared activity. You can help them adjust who can contact them, view their stories, or see their location on Snap Map. It's a good opportunity to explain why some settings are safer than others, reinforcing their understanding of online boundaries. Encourage them to regularly review these settings, especially after app updates or changes in their friendship groups.



Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/snapchat>

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Support for Parents and Carers

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



Working for Children and Families in Solihull



Solihull METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL



EDUCATION PARTICIPATION ADVISORY SERVICE



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Attendance Support

Chloe and Liz will be completing weekly drop in sessions in the north and south of Solihull. They will be offering attendance advice, support and guidance.

Drop in session details:

Tuesday 12-1.30pm @ Elmwood Place

Wednesday 9.30-11.30am @ Monkspath Juniors and Infants School
Located in the bungalow to the left of the school building.

There is no need to make an appointment. Just drop in during the drop in times above.

Does your child worry about going to school?

Do you feel you have tried everything to ensure your child attends school but nothing seems to be working?

Do you feel there has been a relationship breakdown with your child's school?

Do you have general questions around school attendance?

Then please attend one of our drop in sessions for attendance support.

Elmwood Place
37 Burtons Way,
Birmingham
B36 0UG



Monkspath Juniors and Infants
5 Farmhouse Way,
Shirley,
Solihull.

If you have any questions please email attendanceenquiries@solihull.gov.uk

Support for Parents and Carers





Timetable

September 2025





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>Buggy walk – 13:00-13:45 <i>Weather dependant</i> Times may change for the stay and play workshop dependant on the weather. Families to be notified through the Evergreen Facebook page or changes to app.</p> <p>Stay and play – 13:30-15:00 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 with the fun!</p> <p>After-school club – 15:30-16:30 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>Midwifery team – 09:30-15:30 Community midwives that provide maternity care outside of a hospital setting. Parent consultation workshops with midwifery team.</p> <p>Community coffee morning – 10:30-12:00 Come in for a cuppa and tell us what you would like to see happening at Evergreen or find out more about volunteering and other services in your local area.</p> <p>Sensory room – 14:30-onwards Slots available for the sensory room. To book, call Evergreen on 0121 779 1724.</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 through one-to-one consultations.</p> <p>Health visitors' sensory play – 13:00-15:00 <i>Weather dependant Every second and last week of the month – 10 and 24 September</i> To book, call the Health Visiting Team on 0750 733 2563.</p> <p>Family support worker drop-in – 13:00-14:00 Drop-in service, advice, support and signposting to other services. Helpline is provided at Evergreen on Wednesday afternoon on 0121 788 4927</p> <p>Sensory room – 14:30-onwards Slots available for the sensory room. To book, call Evergreen on 0121 779 1724.</p> <p>Seasonal crafts – 15:30-16:30 Autumn-themed craft workshop.</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>Family support worker workshop – 10:00-13:00 Solution focused workshop</p> <p>Sensory room – 15:00-onwards Slots available for the sensory room. To book, call Evergreen on 0121 779 1724.</p>	<p>Employment, training, and digital skills support – 09:00-15:30 Support with job searching, creating, emailing and sending your CV. Drop in or call 0121 779 1724 to book an appointment.</p> <p>Midwifery team – 09:30-15:30 Community midwives that provide maternity care outside of a hospital setting. Parent consultation workshops with midwifery team.</p> <p>Stay and play – 10:00-11:30 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 with the fun!</p> <p>Family activities – 13:30-15:30 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>

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](tel:07507332563) between 09:00-16:00, Monday-Friday.

Women's Aid
If you or someone you know needs support, call Women's Aid on [0800 800 0028](tel:08008000028). 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 915 9292](tel:08009159292) or [0121 262 3555](tel:01212623555).

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 6943](tel:01217796943)

Computers and private work pods
Internet and phone access

Community wardrobe
Free clothing

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

[Family Hubs | solihull.gov.uk](https://www.solihull.gov.uk) [Solihull Family Hubs](https://www.facebook.com/SolihullFamilyHubs) evergreen@colebridge.org [0121 779 1724](tel:01217791724)

*Family support worker drop-ins at the Family Hubs
Parents can go to the Family Hubs to talk to a Family Support Worker if needed. No need to book, just turn up.*

Evergreen Hub is next to Yorkswood School.

Family Hub	Day	Time
Evergreen	Wednesday	1pm-4pm

Attendance

Every week, in our whole school assembly we celebrate attendance. Those children with 100% attendance for the week go into our draw. It was so lovely to see **William** in Year 6 enjoying and sharing his prize today!



Congratulations to **Lainey-Beau** in Year 3, who also won a prize today 😊



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](#)

Lunch menu for wb. 22nd September

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL
Week 2

DAILY SANDWICHES AVAILABLE

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

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

Spring Summer 2025
28/04/25, 19/05/25, 09/06/25, 30/06/25, 21/07/25, 11/08/25, 01/09/25, 22/09/25, 13/10/25

Day	The Main Event	Meat-Free Magic (Veggie Dish)	Rainbow Alley (Vegetables and Salads)	Big Topping (Filled Jackets)	Dessert Trolley
MONDAY	Beef Bolognese Pasta	Cheese and Potato Pie	Sweetcorn and Peas	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Jam Sponge and Custard
TUESDAY	BBQ Chicken Wraps and Paprika Wedges	BBQ Veggie Wrap and Paprika Wedges	Peas	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Banana Muffin
WEDNESDAY	Roast Gammon, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Maple Roasted Sweet Potato Filo Pie with Skin on Roasties	Mixed Greens	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Oaty Cornflake Crunch Bar
THURSDAY	Sausage and Mash with Gravy	Veggie Sausage and Mash	Carrots and Green Beans	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Apple Sponge Pudding with Custard
FRIDAY	Battered Fish and Chips	Cheese and Onion Burger with Chips	Baked Beans	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Vanilla Cookie

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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!



Diary Dates



2025

Weds 1 st October	Whole School	Age UK 'Slip into slippers' day - pupils invited to donate £1 and bring slippers to school to wear inside
Weds 1 st October	Year 6	Confirmation parent meeting in church @ 2:30pm
Weds 8 th October	Reception – Year 6	Visit from a 'Team GB' athlete - pupils completing fitness circuits as a sponsored event
Weds 8 th Oct	Year 6	Year 6 parent meeting @ 5pm in school hall
Fri 10 th October	Year 6	Year 6 visit to St. Chad's Cathedral
Weds 15 th October	Year 3	First Holy Communion parent meeting in church @ 2:30pm
Weds 22 nd Oct	Whole School	Whole school Mass @ 9:15am – Year 5 leading. Parents and family members welcome
Thurs 23 rd Oct	Reception – Year 6	PTA discos
Fri 24 th Oct	Whole School	STAFF INSET DAY – School closed to pupils

HALF TERM HOLIDAY:

Monday 26th October - Friday 31st October 2025

Mon 3 rd Nov	Whole school	Individual and sibling class photos
Mon 3 rd – Fri 7 th Nov	Year 5	Y5 Bikeability
Tues 11 th Nov	Year 3	Y3 Cinema trip to Cineworld NEC
Weds 12 th Nov	Year 2	Y2 Cinema trip to Cineworld NEC
Fri 14 th Nov	Rec – Year 6	Flu immunisations
Sat 15 th Nov	Year 6	Confirmation Commitment Mass @ 5pm
Weds 19 th Nov	Whole School	Whole school Mass @ 9:15am - Year 4 leading. Parents and family members welcome
Tues 25 th Nov	Year 5	Y5 Cinema trip to Cineworld NEC
Weds 17 th Dec	Whole school	Whole school Mass @ 9:15am - Year 3 leading. Parents and family members welcome

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:

Monday 22nd Dec - Friday 2nd Jan 2026



Diary Dates



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, **5th January**, 23rd February, **13th April**, 20th July

**** The deadline for secondary school applications is:
31st October 2025 ****

P.E Days

Week beginning Monday 22nd September

Reception – Friday

Year 1 – Monday & Wednesday

Year 2 – Monday & Friday

Year 3 – Tuesday & Friday

Year 4 – Wednesday & Thursday

Year 5 – Tuesday & Thursday

Year 6 – Tuesday (swimming) &
Thursday



Head Teacher's Awards



Congratulations!

Reception – Liliana – for shining bright in Reception.

Year 1 – Zachary – for always having a positive attitude towards learning and being a pleasure to teach.

Year 2 – Kiara-Belle – for being a wonderful member of our class and always showing kindness to others.

Year 3 – Jiya – for her fantastic contributions across all subjects and being a ray of sunshine in Year 3 😊

Year 4 – Vivienne – for working extra hard at home and in the mornings before school. It is lovely to teach somebody with such a 'can do' attitude!

Year 5 – Malakai – for truly living our school mission and being a joy to teach.

Year 6 – Poppy – for bringing energy and joy to our classroom and being kind and thoughtful towards others.

