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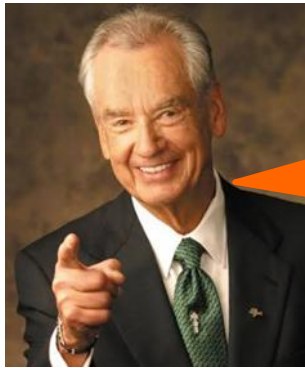
Head of School: Mr K Scanlon



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Friday 3rd October 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.



Honesty is absolutely essential for success in life.

Zig Ziglar – American war veteran and author

Reminder!

We are a nut-free
AND orange-free
school. Please **DO**
NOT send **ANY**
products
containing nuts or
oranges into school
for your child.



Time to talk...

TAKEHOME

29th September
- 5th October



Can sport bring people closer together?



'TUESDAY NEWS DAY'

This week we learnt running charity, parkrun, has announced a new project called parkrun primary, which is bringing junior running events closer to primary schools. The aim is to give children more chances to run or walk and volunteer on weekends in a fun, free, and inclusive way. Organisers say it's not just about fitness, but also about helping children build friendships, confidence, and life skills in their local community.

Things you could talk about at home:

- Are there any parkruns near where you live?
- Have you or anyone in your family taken part in one?
- What else can bring a community together?

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Pope Leo XIV says...

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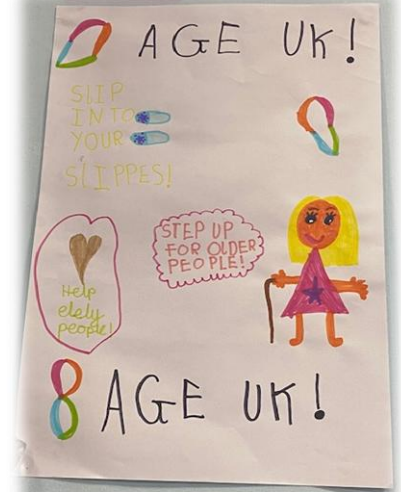
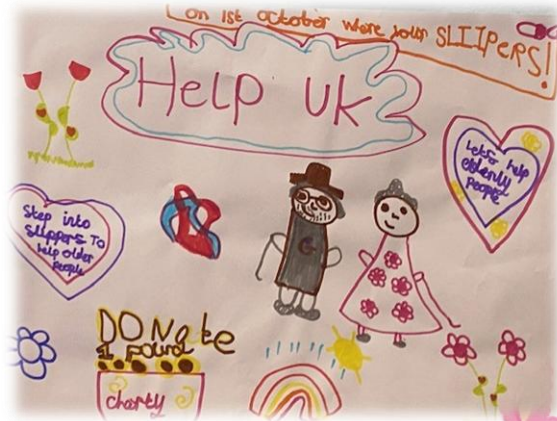


The world is a wonderful gift made up of different forms of life, given to us so that we might help and complete one another. Differences are not an obstacle, but rather an invitation to build harmony to reveal the beauty of creation.

'We-give' Wednesdays!

Wednesday 1st October 2025

Thank you to everyone who was able to donate to Age UK's 'Slip into Slippers' campaign. The children (and staff!) loved being so comfortable in lessons and we raised over £140.



'We-give' Wednesdays!

Wednesday 8th October 2025

A reminder that we are welcoming a professional athlete to St. Anthony's on **Wednesday 8th October**. He will put all pupils from Rec – Year 6 through their paces in a fitness circuit before leading an assembly and Q & A session. All pupils should have received a sponsorship form which also shows you how you can set up your own online sponsorship page. Please send all sponsorship collected into school by **Monday 13th October**.

All children should wear PE kit to school on this day.

Welcome
**Team GB Mountain Biker
DANNY BUTLER**
to our school

“Make as much effort as you can every day. Even if it's just a little”

Scan to sponsor
Search our school



'WOW' September results

We are still encouraging all pupils to aim to walk to school once a week in order to earn themselves a badge. If you live too far away, there is always the option to 'park and stride' – but please remember you should aim to walk for about 10 minutes.



The results this month were:

5 th place	Rec and Year 1	No badges yet
4 th place	Year 2 and Year 4	12 badges each
3 rd place	Year 6	13 badges
2 nd place	Year 5	15 badges
1 st place	Year 3	18 badges

As they were the winning class, **Year 3** will now get to keep our 'WOW' mascot – Strider – in their room during the month of October. We are sure Barney the 'top banana' will be very glad to have a new friend 😊



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.

Catholic Life

Fr. Sean's induction as parish priest of St. Anne's and St. Anthony and St. John the Baptist parishes, will take place on Friday 24th October at 7pm. Following the Mass at St. Anne's church, there will be refreshments available in the hall. Fr. Sean extends a warm welcome to you all to attend.



Our next whole school Mass will be on Wednesday 22nd October and will be led by Year 5 pupils.

There will be a parent meeting for the parents / carers of Roman Catholic pupils in Year 3 on Wednesday 15th October at 2:30pm in church regarding First Holy Communion.



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.



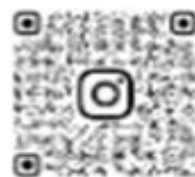
Raffle, tombola, card games, ice cream van, bouncy castle, mascots



**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 had a lovely week in Tiny Ants! We have used our fingers and hands to mix blue and yellow to make green. We used steady hands to stack blocks to make tall towers and rolled balls to our friends, saying their names.



Nursery

This week, in Nursery we have focused on learning about Autumn. We have explored a range of natural items including; pinecones, conkers, acorns, twigs and leaves. We have also been very creative; we have rolled conkers in paint as well as printed with pinecones. Nursery have also painted some beautiful autumn trees using their fingers. In addition to this, Nursery have explored speed through rolling conkers down ramps to see which ones are the slowest and fastest.



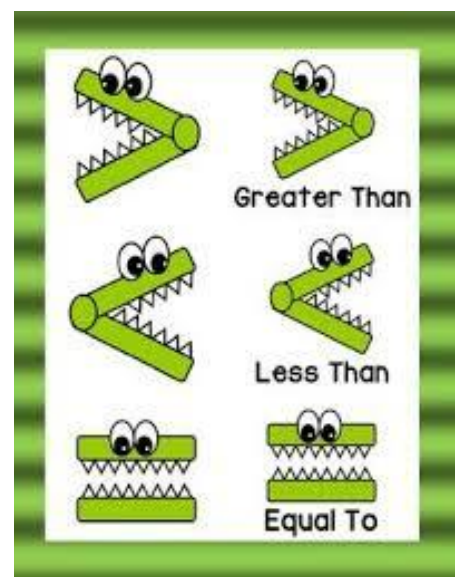
Reception

This week in Reception, the children have enjoyed a beautiful celebration of the word, focusing on Harvest. Together, we shared things we are thankful for and added them to our colourful harvest basket. A highlight of the week was when one of the children brought in a beautiful bird's nest to share with the class. The children produced brilliant writing and wonderful ideas about where the nest might have come from, how it was made, and which birds might have lived in it. In Maths, we explored the composition of 3. The children had a delightful teddy bears' picnic, carefully sharing the food and picnic items into three equal groups. We also played lively games indoors and outside to discover different ways to make 3. Our Literacy lessons were inspired by the much-loved book 'You Choose'. The children had fantastic discussions about the story and enjoyed describing the houses, pets, jobs, and superhero powers they would choose — their imaginations really shone! In RE, we learned about how God created the world in seven days. The children responded creatively in our art corner, producing some lovely pictures of the Earth to reflect on the story of creation.



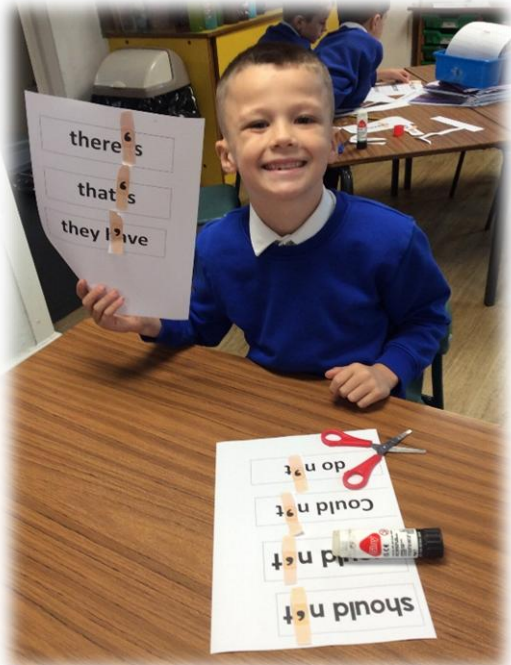
Year 1

Year 1 have had a great week! In Maths we have been learning about; part-whole models and greater than, less than and equal to. We played a game of finding the greatest number so that our crocodiles could eat it. In English, we have been using sounds that we have been learning in phonics to write sentences describing Elmer the elephant. Year 1 really enjoyed music this week, where we played different games to find and keep the pulse of songs. We also enjoyed describing our favourite toys during our History lessons and compared them to toys from the past.



Year 2

Year 2 have loved starting our new PE topic -yoga. This week they have been impressing Miss Robinson and I with their focus and concentration. We have been busy in English learning about contractions and starting our new topic, 'traditional stories'. The children loved performing 'apostrophe surgery'.



In Geography, the children explored the continent Europe and were able to tell their Kagan partners lots of amazing and wonderful facts about different countries in Europe. We have had a fantastic week!



Year 3

This week Year 3 assessed whether Mr Wolf should be found guilty or innocent for what happened with the Three Little Pigs. We performed persuasive speeches to plead our case and to help prove his innocence. We have been adding and subtracting 1s, 10s and 100s in Maths and we have started to do some tricky exchanging!



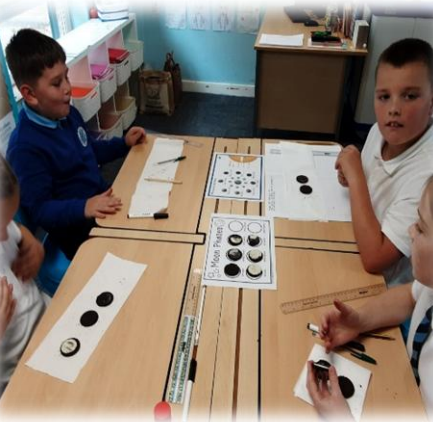
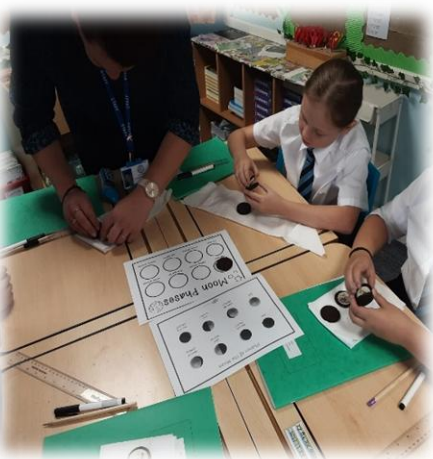
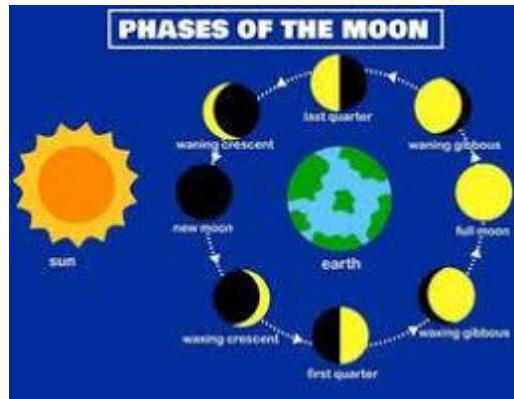
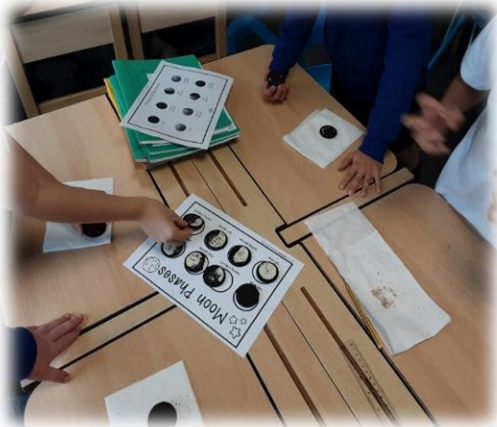
Year 4

What a week in Year 4. We have developed our rounding skills in Maths with a game of rounding four-in-a-row -what amazing teamwork we showed! We recapped our Roman numerals skills with another game of (very lively) Roman numerals bingo, after making our stunning clocks.



Year 5

Year 5 had a fantastic Science lesson this week. We were learning all about the phases of the moon - using Oreos to help us. We learnt lots and had some yummy treats along the way too – a perfect Monday afternoon!



Year 6



In Year 6 Science, we have been learning all about the structure and function of blood. To bring this topic to life, the children created their own 'blood model' using syrup, cereal, marshmallows and sprinkles – with each ingredient representing a different part of the blood. They then became young scientists, testing blood 'samples' to explore what happens if someone receives a transfusion with an incompatible blood type. The class were amazing – showing great curiosity, teamwork and enthusiasm while having lots of fun with their learning!



Summer Uniform

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

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

184th 1st Kingshurst Scout Group

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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 EA SPORTS FC 26

AGE RESTRICTION
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Our guide looks at the risks surrounding EA Sports FC 26 and our top tips to minimise them. This marks the third year since EA left the FIFA licence, and the game is mostly unchanged from last year. While Kick-Off mode is great for playing with friends and Career Mode allows players to fulfil long-term ambitions as a manager or player, Ultimate Team remains the main draw for many players – and it can get out of hand in terms of how much money players can invest.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AN ANNUAL RELEASE SCHEDULE

As was the case with the last two EA Sports FC games and the FIFA series before it, the franchise rolls out once a year with updated squads and new features. This can make it expensive to keep up with, particularly when so many dedicated players are keen to get their hands on the latest edition.

VOICE CHAT

Voice chat can be enabled across all platforms, meaning young people can speak to anyone they play with or against. While it can be switched off, some children will no doubt want to speak to their friends while they play. This also means they may encounter strangers much older than them, which can expose them to inappropriate language or behaviours.

IN-GAME PURCHASES THROUGH ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is the big draw for EA Sports FC, letting players spend real money on packs that they can open to build a squad of the world's best players. They're not always easy to obtain, and new, improved versions of players will be regularly added as limited-time offerings. Young people could feel pressured into spending money and experience fear of missing out.

SCAMMERS IN ULTIMATE TEAM

Ultimate Team is managed by EA itself, but that hasn't stopped scammers from looking to dupe players out of money and in-game coins. Some scammers sell their accounts, which is a violation of EA's terms of service, while others will 'sell' coins – something the developer is still working to crack down on. Some try to gain access to others' accounts, potentially giving them access to payment information.

POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

While EA Sports FC is potentially addictive, thanks to its fast-paced gameplay and mirroring of the real-world skill and glamour of football, Ultimate Team's focus on limited-time rewards and the lottery of winning packs can make it feel closer to gambling than gaming, which may lead to addiction and impulsive spending of money.

Advice for Parents & Educators

PREPARE FOR ANOTHER GAME IN A YEAR

The annual-release cadence aligns with the return of the school year, and can be a great way to incentivise good behaviour at the start of term. If children are applying themselves and preparing for a new year of school, or were particularly well behaved in the summer, EA Sports FC 26 could make a great reward.

LIMIT SPENDING

If you're worried about children accidentally spending real money in Ultimate Team, whether in game or on the EA Sports FC companion app, don't link a payment card to their account. Reclaiming funds can be a mountain to climb, and the dopamine hit of opening flashy packs with slick animations means one purchase can lead to another very quickly. It's also worth adding a prepaid card if you'd prefer them to make their own choices with their budget.

MONITOR VOICE CHAT

As in-game chat is open, be sure to adjust the settings in EA Sports FC 26 to lock it down. If children want to chat with their friends while they play, consider setting up a safe space for them to call, to allow them to play without fear of outsiders.

BE VIGILANT

As with last year, there are ways to keep scammers at bay. Ensure passwords are locked down, and consider using a password manager application to keep them secure. EA will never contact players through the game itself, so be vigilant with incoming messages, and block and report suspected spam. EA will contact players by email if needed, but they will never ask for usernames or passwords. Players should also avoid buying in-game currency from unofficial websites – doing so can lead to accounts being banned and could cost players money in the process.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is an experienced freelance writer and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for seven years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and therefore understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published at sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/ea-sports-fc-26>

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Get Online Week

**Solihull
Libraries**



FREE Get Online Week event at The Core

 **Get Online
Week**

a campaign by  Good Things

**We're hosting an event
during Get Online Week!**

**Wednesday 22nd October
10am-12noon
The Core Library foyer**

**FREE help with your
FREE digital library
resources**



Need help to get online? Join us for our FREE Get Online Week event on Wednesday 22 October at The Core Library in Solihull.

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

Information for Parents



National Restart a Heart 2025

Restart a Heart Day is an annual training event that occurs on or around the 16th October. This event usually sees the collaborative effort of hundreds of clinicians, teachers and volunteers working together to train members of the public with how to perform CardioPulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). This is sometimes referred to as Basic Life Support (BLS) or performing chest compressions.

If you have been fortunate to take part in previous years you will know how much fun this can be. The campaign brings communities together, raising awareness of cardiac arrest and increasing the number of people trained in the UK. Restart a Heart encourages everyone to become ready for the ultimate medical emergency by learning the steps to perform CPR.

The project is now in its 12th year and in 2019 (pre COVID) West Midlands Ambulance Service managed to train over 67,000 children in one day across the region however 2020/21 presented some extraordinary circumstances and as a result we took our efforts online.

Restart a Heart Day 2025 is now rapidly approaching and although we cannot physically attend as many locations as we would like, we will endeavour to engage with as many people as possible to spread the message that CPR can save lives. We hope that you can share this message with the children, colleagues, family and friends. Representatives of West Midlands Ambulance will be in the Community providing an invaluable awareness of how important this life saving skill can be.

Here at West Midlands Ambulance Service, we want everyone to learn this life-saving skill so that you will know what to do if someone collapses with a sudden cardiac arrest. Please visit the below link to find out about Restart a Heart and also find information about our "Little Life Savers" campaign.

[Learn to restart a heart - West Midlands Ambulance Service University NHS Foundation Trust](#)

The benefits of improving bystander CardioPulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) rates are evidenced around the world where the highest bystander CPR rates are directly linked to the highest survival rates from sudden cardiac arrest. Over 68,000 people suffer cardiac arrests outside of hospital in the UK every year. If this happens in front of a bystander who starts CPR immediately before the arrival of the ambulance, the patient's chances of survival doubles. You can find some additional information by clicking on this link with the UK Resus Council.

[Restart A Heart Day | Resuscitation Council UK](#)

We want to assure you that we are here to support you and would love to hear about your Restart a Heart day, please share your experiences here.

- Facebook @OfficialWMAS
- Instagram @OfficialWMAS
- X @OfficialWMAS

We hope you can take part and have an enjoyable day.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Cliff Medicott'.

Cliff Medicott
Regional Community Response Manager



Support for Parents





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 at [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
 Solihull Family Hubs
 evergreen@colebridge.org
 0121 779 1724

*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

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. 6th October

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

LUNCHTIME

TRADITIONAL
Week 1

Spring Summer 2025
21/04/25, 12/05/25,
02/06/25, 23/06/25,
14/07/25, 04/08/25,
25/08/25, 15/09/25,
06/10/25

Day	THE MAIN EVENT	MEAT-FREE MAGIC (Veggie Dish)	RAINBOW ALLEY (Vegetables and Salads)	BIG TOPPING (Filled Jackets)	DESSERT TROLLEY
MONDAY	All Day Breakfast	Margherita Pizza Slice and Wedges	Baked Beans	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Toffee Biscuit Bars
TUESDAY	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Balti with Rice	Sweetcorn	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Classic Trifle
WEDNESDAY	Roast Pork, Roasties and Gravy	Vegetable and Stuffing Loaf with Roasties	Carrots and Cabbage	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Banana Loaf Cake
THURSDAY	Tomato Chicken Pasta Bake	Veggie Noodle Stir Fry	Green Salad	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Carrot Cake
FRIDAY	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips	Peas	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Coconut Crisp Bar

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

W1

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 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 6th October



Reception – **Wednesday** and Friday

Year 1 – Monday & Wednesday

Year 2 – Monday, **Wednesday** & Friday

Year 3 – Tuesday, **Wednesday** & Friday

Year 4 – Wednesday & Thursday

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

Year 6 – Tuesday (swimming), **Wednesday** & Thursday

Head Teacher's Awards



Congratulations!

Reception – Gabriela – for demonstrating great independence and a caring attitude to all her friends.

Year 1 – Aston – for trying to shine like Jesus in school this week.

Year 2 – Kiro – for always trying your best and not giving up, even when things may be tricky. I am so proud of you!



Year 3 – Luna – for being a ray of sunshine in Year 3, always brightening the day and making Miss Bolter smile 😊

Year 4 – Jayden – for bringing a joyful attitude to class every day. I am surprised your arm doesn't hurt from having your hand up constantly –keep up the fantastic effort!

Year 5 – Harlow – for always being a shining star!

Year 6 – Jaxon - for always striving to be the best he can be and setting himself goals to achieve in all subjects.

