



Stafford Leys Primary School Newsletter

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Apr 2022

School Update

It has been another busy term at Stafford Leys. We have been disrupted a little by Covid, but we have managed to keep all of our planned activities running. Thank you for your support during this time. I have sent out the most recent guidance following the removal of the need to test. Please make sure you have had a look at this.

I have taken so many schools and parents on tours this term and everyone that visits are so impressed with how well behaved and well mannered our children are. They are a real credit to you and the school.

There will be a non uniform day on Friday this week as a reward for all of the children's hard work this term. Happy Easter from everyone at Stafford Leys!

Packed lunches.

If your child is not having a school dinner then you can provide a healthy packed lunch as an alternative. The habits that children get into now will impact on their health for the rest of their lives. I have seen several lunchboxes where children have nothing but biscuits, treats and crisps. Clearly, eating junk food every day will have serious long term health issues for children and I have to consider that a safeguarding concern.

I have asked staff to talk to parents where the food being provided is not appropriate.

A sensible daily lunch box should include;

A sandwich/pasta/rice/potatoes

Fruit

Vegetables e.g. carrot sticks

A yoghurt

A drink—fruit juice or sugar free still drink

You could add crisps or a small snack.

Children in Key Stage 2 can also bring a piece of fruit to eat at break time. No other snacks are allowed at this time.

World Book Day

The children had a great day celebrating reading on World Book Day. We had some assemblies with staff and children sharing their favourite books. Reading is one of our key priorities this year so look out for more ways that you can support reading at home and at school in the coming months.

Year 2 Butterfly trip

Our Year 2s loved visiting the Butterfly Farm in March. The weather wasn't great but the children managed to stay cheerful throughout!

In Other News...

Mrs Hollier is moving on to an exciting new job at Easter. Thankyou from Stafford Leys for all the children you have worked with during your time with us. You will be missed!





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Sport

Stafford Leys hosted football festivals for Year 4 girls and boys. Our children loved representing the school. We were able to field several teams in both competitions to allow as many children as possible the chance to take part. Thankyou to Mr Thorne for providing this opportunity.

UNICEF fundraiser

The children and staff raised over £600 for UNICEF and their work with children fleeing the war in Ukraine. It was really moving to see the children dressed in blue and yellow. We made a heart on the playground to show our support. This was also a perfect opportunity to talk to the children about UNICEF's Rights Respecting School curriculum and the rights of the child.

Lunch Times

We are working on improving the offer for our children at lunchtimes. Early changes include; The seating area has been designated a quiet area. A Boombox is playing music either in a new covered space or on a playground if the weather is nice. After Easter, we will be looking at adding a colouring space and a dance activity.

Parking

Please be considerate of our neighbours when you park your cars in the morning. There are many residents that are complaining about blocked drives and roads. This can cause extra work for my staff that takes them away from their key roles in school.

Caythorpe

Our Year 4s have enjoyed the start of their residential and are making the most of the activities on offer. The children not on the trip have been enjoying lots of practical activities in school.

Botanical Gardens

Our Year 1s have visited the Botanical Gardens this week. The children came back very excited about their day. They completed a treasure hunt, rolled down a grass hill and enjoyed all of the wildlife. The lady running the day said that they were the best Year 1 children that they had ever had visit. Well done Year 1, I am really proud of you!



Diary Dates:

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| • NON UNIFORM DAY | FRI 8TH APR |
| • END OF TERM | FRI 8TH APR |
| • CHILDREN RETURN | MON 25TH APR |
| • MAY DAY | MON 2ND MAY |
| • HALF TERM | 30TH MAY-3RD JUN |
| • YEAR 6 PHOTOS | WED 8TH JUN |
| • END OF TERM | THU 7TH JULY |