



*Learn to Love,  
Love to Learn*

# Friday Post

Friday 2nd July 2021

## Our School Value: Respect

Dear all,

Time is flying by! We are as busy as ever in school and time seems to be running away! This week I have had the privilege of reading your children's reports. Seeing their progress and journeys always makes me appreciate my job and my time as a headteacher.

Please enjoy reading our Friday Post and consider the following; an old English prayer;

### **TAKE TIME**

*Take time to work, it is the price of success.*

*Take time to think, it is the source of power.*

*Take time to play, it is the secret of perpetual youth.*

*Take time to read, it is the foundation of wisdom.*

*Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness.*

*Take time to dream, it is hitching your wagon to a star.*

*Take time to love and be loved, it is the privilege of the gods.*

*Take time to look around, it is too short a day to be selfish.*

*Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul.*

Have a wonderful weekend and we all wish the England team all the very best on Saturday.

*Mrs T.A Parton, Headteacher*



Minnie has  
celebrated her 6th  
birthday this week!

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## *Year 4 Leavers - Monday 19th July*

Parents/Carers of Year 4 leavers are invited to attend school for a small outdoor service on Monday 19th July at 1:15pm. This will just be for Y4 and their parent/carers. Due to current restrictions only 2 adults per child will be permitted to attend. Thank you for your understanding.



A big thank you to our PTFA who are paying for ice-creams for all of the children on this day!

## *Year 4 at Penkridge Middle School*



### **REVISED INFORMATION**

Due to changes in Government advice Children in year 4 will be spending an afternoon at Penkridge Middle School on **Tuesday 6th July**. Children will be collected **after lunch** by mini bus from St Leonard's at 1pm - **parents will need to collect their children from Penkridge Middle at 3pm**. Any queries please contact Penkridge Middle School, thank you.

### *'Bump-up session'*

### *Tuesday 6th July*

During the afternoon of Tuesday 6th July, all children will be spending time in their new classrooms, with new but familiar faces!

*During Class Worship we are learning:*

To listen to please follow the link below

**'Jesus Kind & Strong'**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D4fqAzldxHQ>



# Thursday 8th July sports morning

Although sadly parents and carers can not attend Sports Day this year, the children will still be taking part in a fun sports morning. Could we please ask **all children** to arrive at school in their PE kit, wearing their team coloured top, have a water bottle, sun hat and sun cream if applicable on Thursday 8th July.

**Beech - Red**   **Sycamore - Yellow**   **Oak - Blue**   **Holly - Green**



## Lunchtime Menu ~ 5/07/2021



Can we request that **NO nuts or products with nuts in** are sent into school, due to allergies. Thank you for your co-operation

WEEK 3	DAILY FAVOURITES...	Try something different!	HOT SPECIALS...	SIDES...	PICK A PUDI!
<b>MONDAY</b>	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	<b>Cheese and Tomato Pizza</b> with Dough Balls <small>Cheesy tomato topped pizza slice</small>	Sweetcorn and Fresh Broccoli	Raspberry Yoghurt Cake with Fruit Slices
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	<b>Sausage and Mash</b> with Gravy <small>Fluffy mashed potato with pork sausages and rich gravy</small>	Peas and Fresh Carrots	Shortbread with Custard and Fruit Slices
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	<b>Roast Chicken</b> with Roast Potatoes and Gravy <small>Moist roast chicken with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy</small>	Fresh Carrots and Fresh Cabbage	Flapjack with Fruit Slices
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	<b>Favourite Beef Lasagne</b> with a Garlic & Herb Bread Wedge <small>A classic Italian beef lasagne baked in a creamy cheese sauce</small>	Sweetcorn and Fresh Broccoli	Chocolate Brownie and Chopped Apricots
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato with a choice of fillings	<b>Mild Bean Chilli</b> with a Rice side <small>Super yummy mildly spiced vegetable chilli</small>	Baked Beans Fresh Carrots and Peas	Vanilla Ice Cream with Fruit Slices

**PACKED LUNCH...**  
Ham or Cheese Sandwich or Baguette or Daily Special Wrap with Veg Sticks and Fresh Fruit or Dessert of the Day

**Available every day!**  
Cool water  
Salad  
Freshly baked bread  
Yoghurt and milk  
Fresh fruit

**Look out for these symbols for our super healthy dishes:** Vegetarian Fruity! Wholegrain Oily fish

**Allergy? Speak to our kitchen for help**

## *Danielle Brown - MBE visit*

The children had a fantastic time meeting Danielle Brown MBE and Paralympic Gold medallist, they really enjoyed a fun afternoon of fitness activities.



Don't forget to return your sponsorship form to Mr Waters ASAP.



Sponsorship money to be paid direct to Sports for Schools using the link by Wednesday 7th July. <https://portal.sportsforschools.org/events/14422/promo>

# Weekly House Point Tally

Holly

35

Oak

56

Beech



69

Sycamore

44



## Stars of the Week

Frankie

Elliot

Lolly

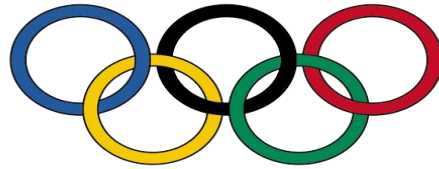
Oliver

Tommy

Freddie

Alfie

Well Done Everyone!



## *Olympic themed day - Thursday 15th July*

The whole school will be joining in with an Olympic themed sports day on Thursday 15th July. Please could all children come to school in their PE kit and make sure they have a water bottle and a sun hat.

## *Friday 16th July*

Please could ALL children bring a named carrier bag into school, for sending work and books home.



## *The Ark*

Invoices for July are now on ParentPay and should be paid by Monday 5th July. It is important to book the correct number of hours care that you need, charges will be made for any late pick ups. Thank you for your understanding.

## *Parent Governor Ballot Papers.*

Ballot papers have been sent home 1 per family with eldest child for our Parent Governor election. Please return to the office by 12 noon on Friday 9th July.



### *Note from Rev Sue*

In an abundance of caution, we've decided not have services in either church this Sunday and there will be an online service available on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQh8fz3VXsE8fOkUmiAuB9g>

instead from 9am on Sunday morning. All the words you need will be onscreen. We expect to be back in church from Sunday 11th July, when there is a baptism at St Leonard's!



We are currently having a shelter made in our Forest School area.

Martin is doing a splendid job and we can't wait for the end result.!

## Parents/Carers of Current Year 2 Pupils

As you are aware your child is entitled to universal infant free school meals as they are currently in Key Stage One. However, in September this entitlement will end as they move into Year 3 and any school meals taken will be charged to your ParentPay account. The current cost of a school meal is £2.30.

You can apply on line from 1st June for a free school meal to start from September 2021. We strongly encourage parents to apply now ready for September.

The entitlement criteria from 1 April 2018 is -

Income Support

Income Based Job Seekers Allowance

Income Related Employment and Support Allowance

eligible for Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and the household income (as used by HMRC to assess tax credits) is not more than £16,190. Please note: anyone eligible for Working Tax Credit, or if you have a partner and they receive it, regardless of Income, you will not qualify

The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

In receipt of the 4 week run on of working tax credit (this is where someone becomes unemployed or reduces their hours and so is no longer entitled to working tax credit but will continue to receive it for a further 4 weeks and is entitled to free meals during that time)

Universal credit (provided you have an annual net earned household income of no more than £7,400 as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods). Your net earned income is your household income after taxes and deductions and does not include income from Universal Credit or any other benefits you may receive.

Please apply online <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Educational-awards-benefits/FreeSchoolMeals/Apply-online.aspx> You will be given an instant decision. Please inform the office if your application for free school meals is approved to ensure meals taken in September are not charged.

*Please do not hesitate to speak to the office if you need any help.*

# DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 6th July	Y4 Transition <b>afternoon</b> to Penkridge Middle
Thursday 8th July	Sports Day - <b>Sadly we can not accommodate any parents</b>
Wednesday 14th July	Year 4 Leavers' Service in Church - <b>Sadly we can not accommodate any parents</b>
Thursday 15th July	Olympic PE themed Day - <b>Children to arrive in PE kit</b>
Friday 16th July	Please could all children bring a carrier bag for books
Monday 19th July	Year 4 Leavers' & their parents at 1:15pm
Tuesday 20th July	Non-uniform DISCO DAY - <b>School finishes at 1:30pm</b>
Wednesday 21st July	Inset Day
Thursday 22nd July	Summer Holidays
Wednesday 1st September	Inset Day
Thursday 2nd September	Back to school, all year groups
Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October	Half Term holidays
Friday 17th December	Inset Day - Christmas holidays

## School start times

**8:40am - Foxes with younger siblings**

8:50am - Owls with younger siblings

8:55am - Hedgehogs

*Please note that if you arrive after the gate has closed, parents will need to sign the late book & your child will be marked as late.*

## School finish times

2:50pm - Hedgehogs with older siblings

2:55pm - Owls with older siblings

3pm - Foxes

Don't forget to keep up to date by following us on ..



Our School website  
<https://www.st-leonards-dunston.staffs.sch.uk/>





## **SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE**

### **FREE ONLINE BEHAVIOUR & WELLBEING WORKSHOPS/PROGRAMMES**

#### **Programmes for Parents**

**4 - week Programme: Helping Parents to Build Self Esteem and  
Improve Emotional Wellbeing**

**Start Date: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July: 1.30-2.30pm**

#### **Workshops for Parents**

**Understanding and Managing Difficult Emotions in  
Children and Young People**

**Date: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July: 1.30-2.30pm**

#### **Summer Workshop for Families**

**Creating Healthy and Positive Friendships**

**Date: Thursday 26th August: 4-5pm**

*A workshop for Parents and Children to access together.*

*Suitable for children 7 and above.*

#### **September Programmes and Workshops for Parents**

**4- week Programme Understanding and Managing**

**Defiant Behaviours and Anger in Children and Young people**

**Start Date: Wednesday 8th September: 1.30-2.30pm**

**Helping to build Self Esteem and Manage Social Anxiety in Children and Young People**

**Date: Monday 20th September: 1.30-2.30pm**

To book your place please email your **name, date of programme and phone number** to [raminderdhalawal.fss@sctsp.org.uk](mailto:raminderdhalawal.fss@sctsp.org.uk) or

text/phone with your **name, date of programme and email address** to [07741645691](tel:07741645691)

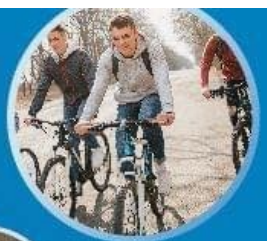
Once you have booked onto you will be sent instructions on how to access the

Workshop/Programme.



**COMING  
SOON**

**FREE**



# Holiday Activities and Food

for children and young people aged 5-16 who get free school meals\*

[staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities](https://staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities)



Department  
for Education



Staffordshire  
County Council

Please note: For non free school meal children, we are also still taking bookings. (£16 for 10am-4pm or £19 for 8.30am-5.30pm)



## Button Batteries Be aware!

Button batteries power everyday objects like car key fobs, remotes and children's toys. But did you know that if they are swallowed they can badly injure, or even kill a child?

Batteries react with saliva and if a child swallows a button battery it can burn holes and cause internal bleeding, or even death.

Tragically, a young child in Staffordshire has recently died from ingesting a button battery.

## How to keep children safe



- Store spare batteries securely, out of reach
- Know which toys /gadgets use button batteries, check your home
- Get rid of 'dead' button batteries immediately – they still have enough power to harm children
- Teach older children the dangers – why they shouldn't play with them or give them to younger children
- Place strong tape over the battery compartment on remote controls

### Be aware!

Symptoms may not be obvious.

Your child might be coughing, gagging or drooling, or pointing to their throat or tummy. Unclear or fluctuating symptoms mean it's important to be vigilant. Trust your instincts and act fast even if there are no symptoms.

**If you think your child has swallowed a battery, take them straight to the nearest A&E department or call 999 for an ambulance**

For further information visit:  
<https://www.capt.org.uk/button-battery-safety>

Or <https://www.rospa.com/home-safety/advice/product/button-batteries>