



## Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### Message from Mrs Sadler

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a really busy one here in school! Phonics screening checks have been taking place, but Year 1 and Year 3 have also been busy performing at Victoria Hall! They took part in the Big Sing on Tuesday, performing songs to celebrate 100 years of Stoke-on-Trent. As part of our own centenary celebrations, parents are invited to a presentation afternoon on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July (see below), where all classes will share their learning about our city. Year 6 have also had a busy week, with their residential trip to Standon Bowers! They have been camping and completing some very adventurous activities, and we are grateful to the staff who have accompanied them and planned the visit, for making this opportunity possible. Our Father's Day stall has taken place this week too, and a huge thanks to all of the support staff who made this happen. Next week, we look forward to celebrating with the dads/grandads/uncles/other male relatives at our Father's Day Big Breakfast! Also, next week, we have our summer fair on Thursday! We hope that lots of you will be able to join us, and we will be putting out a plea on Class Dojo for parents/relatives who might be able to set up or run stalls. It really is a busy but very exciting time of year!

Best wishes, Mrs Sadler

#### Worship this half term:

This half term we are exploring the school value of **trust**. We would love to share prayers written by the children linked to this value!

#### Teaching & Learning Focus This Week:

This week, leaders have been completing phonics screening checks for Year 1 and some Year 2 children, looking at maths in EYFS and reviewing progress in Maths and English books.

#### Attendance

We are looking for our whole school attendance to be 96% or better.

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#### Golden Jumper

Well done to all the children who have received awards. We are proud of your hard work. Keep it up!

- Nursery – Kalab,
- Rainbows – Raj,
- Sunshines – Raphael,
- 1H – Tatiana, 1W – Noor-Ul-Ain,
- 2C – Aleeza, 2T – Aqsa,
- 3A – Abdul-Ahad, 3C – Mustafa,
- 4C – Murtaza, 4W – Aizah,
- 5J – Aqsa, 5O – Susanna,
- 6B – Rovana, 6K – Shayma,

#### Good Samaritan

The following children were awarded 'Good Samaritan' awards this week for their kindness to others. Well done we are really proud of you all!

- Nursery – Khadijah Z
- Rec – Gursimranjit (Rain)
- Year 1 – Talha (1H)
- Year 2 – Haashim (2T)
- Year 3 – Haseeb (3C)
- Year 4 – The whole of 4C
- Year 5 – Abdullah (5O)
- Year 6 – Zidane (6K)

#### Diary Dates

- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June:** Father's Day Big Breakfast (8.30 -10am)
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June:** Summer Fair
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** Whole School Transition Day
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July:** Stoke 100 Presentation to Parents (1:30 – 3:00pm)
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July:** Sports Day (EYFS/KS1 morning, and KS2 afternoon)
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July:** Reception End of Year Assembly (9am)
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July:** EYFS and KS1 Awards (9am)
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July:** KS2 Awards (9am)
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July:** Leaver's Assembly and Brunch (9am)
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July:** Last day of the school year



#### Birthdays this week:

- Haleema (9), Samuel (8),
- Manahil (9), Samia (10),
- Andrei (10), Rene (9),
- Qasim (8), Hafsa (10),
- Diana Maria (6),
- Eman (5), Yusuf (6)