



Haughton St Giles

Dream to Achieve



Friday 22nd October 2021

Volunteer Readers

Can you spare an hour or two a week to listen to children read?

We are looking for a small army of volunteers to come in to school and listen to our children read. You will be offering support on a one to one basis to help them to become confident readers; thus enabling our children to find more enjoyment in the various texts by improving their reading accuracy and fluency. Listening to children read will help them to become more independent, by giving them strategies so that they know what to do when they come across a difficulty. We want our children to read with confidence, understanding and be able to pose questions about what they are reading.

If you think this is something you'd like to do and you have a spare hour or two, then please email the school office. Thank you to those who have already been in touch so far.

Clubs

Thank you for your patience while we sorted after school clubs. We are pleased to welcome back Progressive Sports who will be running the following clubs from 3:30 - 4:30pm on a Tuesday & Wednesday after half term.

Tuesday 2nd November - Multi - Sports. A variety of sports & games that will be different each week (6 weeks)

Wednesday 3rd November - Football (6 weeks)

FULLY BOOKED

If you would like to book your child on to either of these clubs then please complete the questionnaire, using the link below and selecting multi-sports.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RY96AxySHEOXzpRmEFS+GfD8Vea4DbIDo-ARthaNGplUNK1MQzIHRjRVUEFLWUJRS0hRWIZOQQ3Wi4u>

EYFS Parental Workshop

As mentioned at your welcome meeting, we would like to invite you to a parent workshop/presentation to explain a little more about learning in our school. This will give you the opportunity to find out about the key areas of learning within Early Years, including the teaching of phonics, reading and writing, and how you can help at home.

Therefore, you are invited to join us at 4:30pm on Tuesday 16th November. Unfortunately, due to staffing we are unable to supervise children in school during the meeting. However, if you wish to book children into Little Seeds because you have no alternative childcare they can be contacted via their mobile number: 07483 410398.

Please let Miss Plant know if you will/won't be attending via the Home/School book in your child's bag.

Open Mornings

All Primary September 2022 intake, applications need to be submitted by 15th January 2022. Therefore, we will be holding Open Mornings on Wednesday 17th November & Wednesday 1st December at 9:30 & 11:00am. If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2022 & you would like to have a look around the school, then please contact the school office (01785 780511) to make a booking.

Y6 Parents

Staffordshire County Council Admissions have asked us to remind parents that the deadline for high school applications is 31st October 2021.

Parents' Evening

Reminder that Parents' Evenings are on Wednesday 3rd November 3:30 - 5:30pm & Monday 8th November 5:00 - 7:00pm. Please feel free to contact Mrs Kelly in the school office who will be happy to arrange a time with you.

However, due to the current situation with Covid, if you'd prefer a phone call rather than a one to one meeting then simply email the office - please note you will not receive a reply but this will be passed on to the class teacher and they will arrange a mutually convenient time.

Poppy Appeal 2021



This year we are again supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and will be selling poppy related items in order to raise much needed funds for this worthwhile cause.

Therefore, from Tuesday 2nd November the children will be able to make purchases at break times and they will have the option to either make a donation in return for a poppy or if they'd prefer they can purchase one of the poppy themed paraphernalia (see above picture & individual item costs). However, there are a limited quantity of each product and hence will be on a first-come-first served basis. Please note that as this is a charity we will not be able to replace any damaged or lost items without a charge and any replacements will be subject to availability.

Goodbye & Happy Retirement

Today, we bid a fond farewell to Mrs Taylor who is leaving us to spend time with her lovely husband Ian and grandchildren.

Mrs Taylor has spent the last 7 years working across various areas of the school as a Teaching Assistant and Lunchtime Supervisor, to support our children and has been caught in many a downpour whilst on the field and playground. She will be thoroughly missed by children and staff alike, and we wish her the very best for the future and thank her for her loyalty and commitment to the school.

Diary Dates

Monday 25th - Friday 29th October - Half Term

Monday 1st November - Inset Day (no pupils)

Tuesday 2nd November - School reopens

Tuesday 2nd November - Multi -Sports Club begins (6 weeks)

Wednesday 3rd November - Parents' Evening 3:30 - 5:30pm

Wednesday 3rd November - Football Club begins (6 weeks)

Monday 8th November - Parents' Evening 5 -7pm

Wednesday 17th November - Open Morning 9:30 & 11:00am (Sept 2022 intake Parents Only)

Thursday 25th November - Whole School Flu Immunisations

Wednesday 1st December - Open Morning 9:30 & 11:00am (Sept 2022 intake Parents Only)

Monday 20th December - Monday 3rd January - Christmas Holidays

Tuesday 4th January - Inset Day (no pupils)

Wednesday 5th January - School reopens

Autumn 2021	Term starts: Thurs 2 nd Sept (INSET day) Fri 3 rd Sept (INSET day)*
	*Children attend Monday 6th September
	Half term: 25th-29th Oct
	Term ends: Fri 17 th Dec
Spring 2022	INSET day: Tues 4 th Jan
	Term Starts: Wed 5th Jan
	Half term: 21st-25th Feb
	INSET day: Mon 28 th Feb
	Term ends: Fri 8th Apr
Summer 2022	Term starts: Mon 25 th Apr
	*INSET Day: Friday 27th May
	Half term: 30th May-3rd June
	*Bank Holiday: Mon 6th June
	Term ends: Fri 22 nd Jul

*** Changes due to Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**