Ellison Primary Academy 30.1.26

Friday 30th January 2026

Newsletter

Vision Statement: 'Developing a caring family of creative, critical and collaborative learners'.



What a wonderful start we've had to the new term! Across the school, children have been throwing themselves into exciting learning experiences, creative projects and hands-on

activities. From artistic adventures to sporty challenges and inspiring author sessions, it's been a joy to see our pupils so engaged and enthusiastic in every corner of the curriculum.

We're also delighted to share that our partnership with the Royal Shakespeare Company continues to flourish. Over the next few weeks, pupils will be exploring *A Midsummer Night's Dream* through drama, music and rich discussion. Their hard work will culminate in a special whole-school performance event on Wednesday 4th February, where each year group will bring a different element of the play to life. We look forward to welcoming families into school for this magical afternoon of theatre.

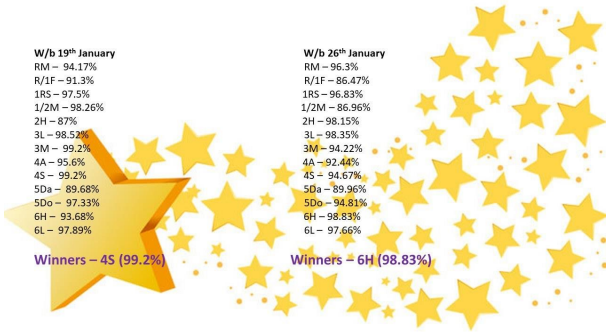
Alongside this, classes have been shining in many other areas too. From Year 1's bold Clarice Cliff–inspired plate designs, to Year 3's achievements in Active Maths, and Year 4's adventures in science, sport and map-making, it's been an incredibly productive time. Year 5 also enjoyed meeting author Ross Montgomery during an exciting BookFest session, while new links—such as our connection with Farmer Lucy—promise even more enriching experiences ahead. As always, thank you for your continued support; we can't wait to share more wonderful moments with you throughout the term.

We are having an increasing number of parents/carers dropping younger children off and not seeing them safely onto the school grounds. Also, some families are not parking considerately for local residents or for the safety of our children. We ask for your consideration in helping to keep the roads around out school safe for all.

Attendance

We would like to share the children's super attendance! Well done children! Please see below the attendance figures.

Well done to class 4S and 6H for winning the attendance awards!



A Midsummer Night's Dream sharing event - Wednesday 4th February 2026

As part of the school's on-going work with the Royal Shakespeare Company, the children will be exploring the play A Midsummer Night's Dream. Throughout the unit, they will investigate different aspects of the play using drama, music and speaking and listening skills. To showcase their performance skills, have been invited to take part in a whole school sharing event after school on **Wednesday 4th February**. Each year group will bring a different concept or theme to life, depending on what they have been learning in class. The performances will start at 3:30pm and end at roughly 4:30pm. During the event, you will be escorted around the school to watch a short scene from each year group before collecting your children from the school playground. All children taking part will need to stay for the full event in order for it to run safely and smoothly.

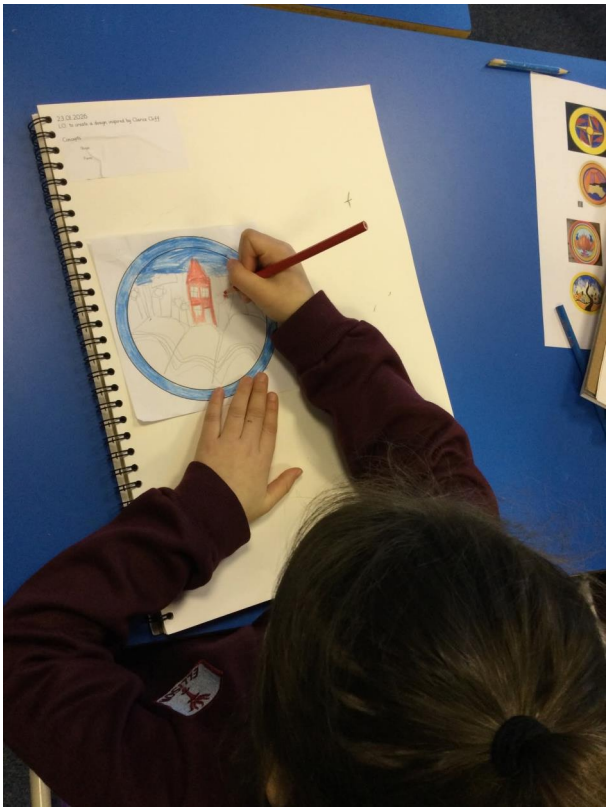
There will be no tickets needed for this event, however places will be limited to two adults per child.

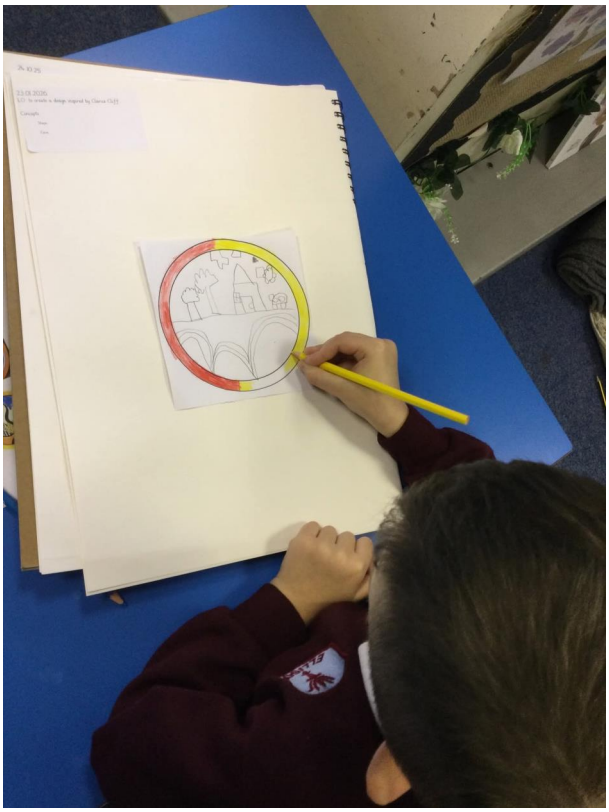
Please bring some loose change with you as there will be an opportunity to purchase sweets and drinks during the event.

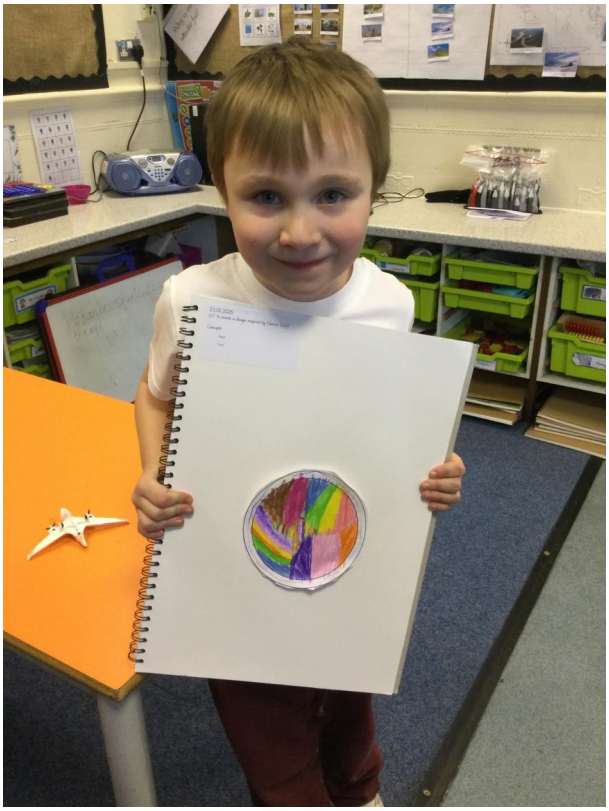
Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to sharing an afternoon of theatre with you all.

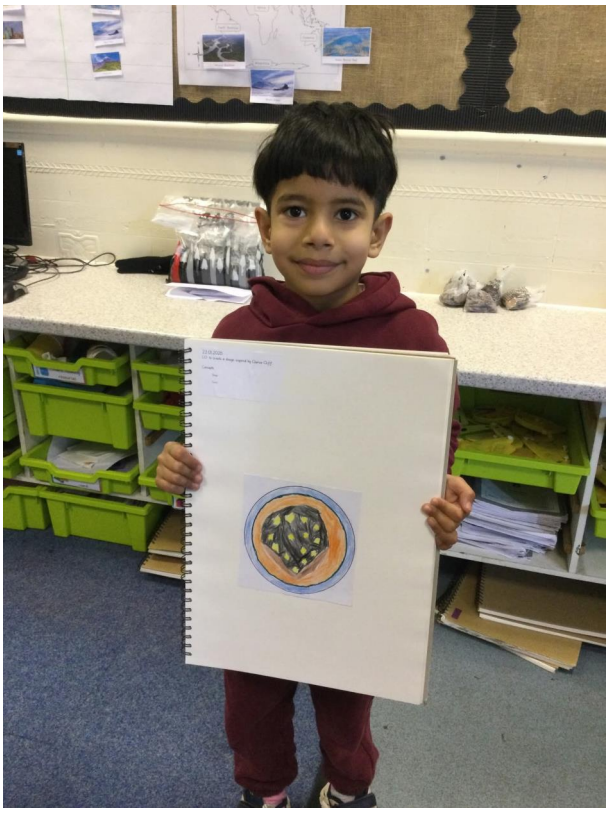
Year 1 Art

Year 1 have been getting creative! We're learning about the famous ceramic artist Clarice Cliff and have each designed our own plate inspired by her bold patterns and colours. Next, we'll be bringing our designs to life by making the plates from clay and glazing them ready for the kiln. We can't wait to share the finished pieces with you!



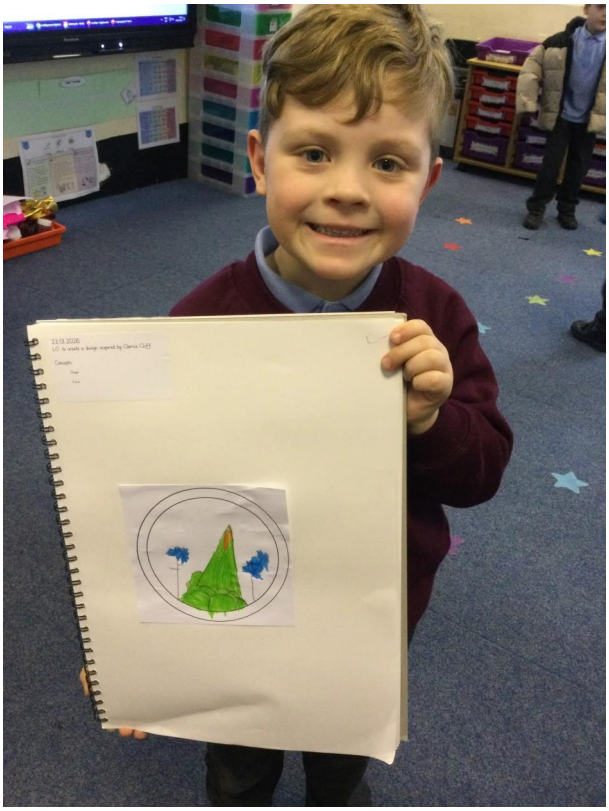


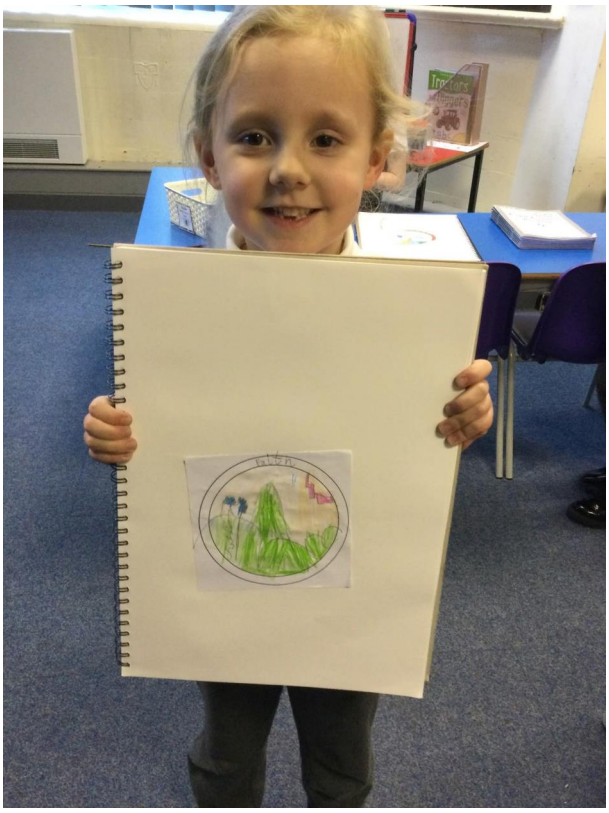




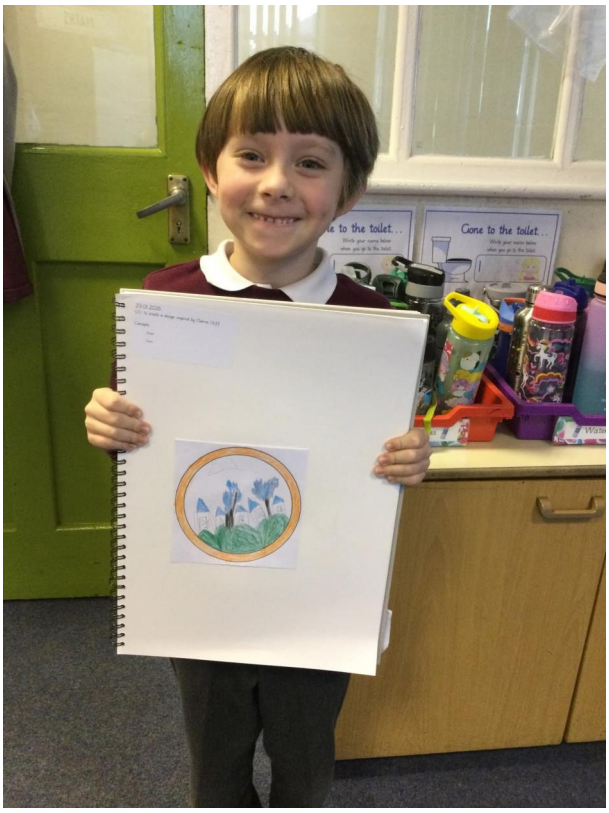




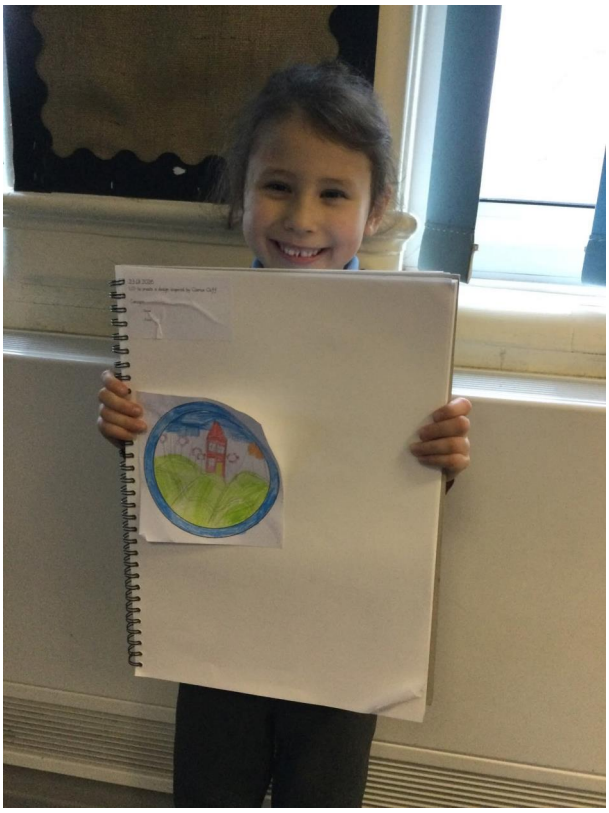







Gone to the toilet...







Active Maths

Well done to our Year 3 pupils who have received certificates today for being connected, ambitious, fair and inspiring in their Active Maths sessions with Stoke City Foundation. Over the past few weeks, a number of children have enjoyed learning key mathematical skills through a variety of active games.



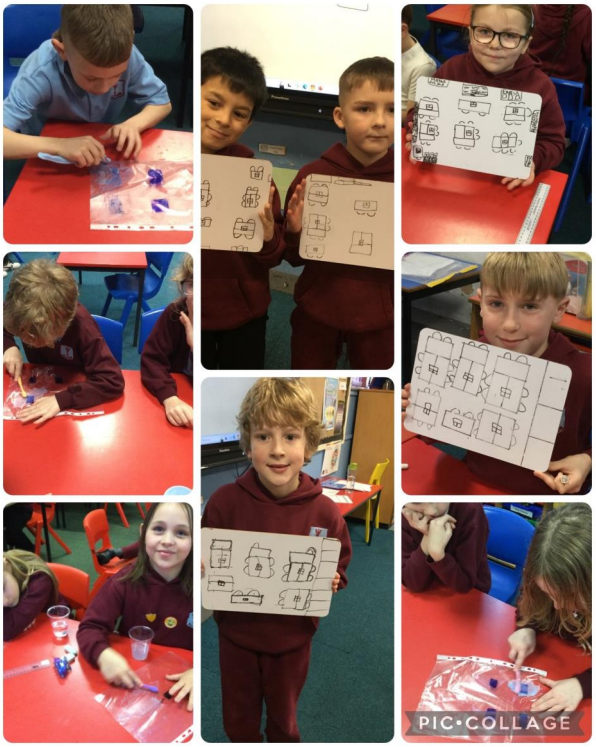
Year 4 learning

It's been a very productive start to the year for Year 4. We have been developing our basketball skills focusing on chest and V passes. We have utilised these skills in mini games

where we have to defend and pass. In Science we have been researching human teeth and investigating which toothpaste cleans teeth the best. The children sparkled after investigation! In Time4sport the children have been working on their adventurous outdoor skills including following directions and creating aerial view maps.







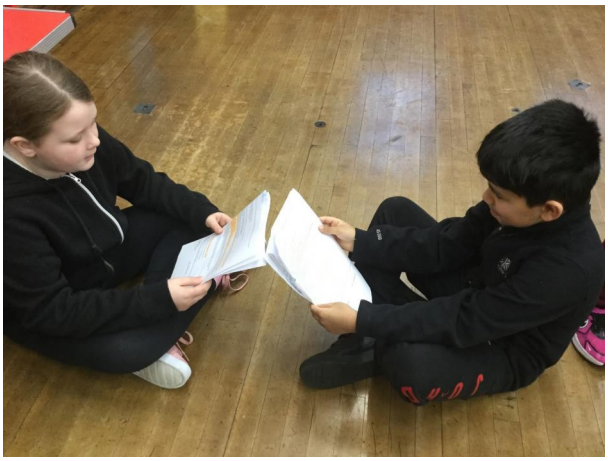
BookFest event

Year 5 have had a brilliant morning participating in the online BookFest event with award-winning author Ross Montgomerey. We asked him questions about his books, he shared tips in how to create our own quest stories and generate exciting ideas for writing. Thanks to Coram Beanstalk for sharing the details of the event - we loved it!



Year 5 theatre rehearsals

Rehearsals are underway for the Year 5 performance of 'Hamlet'! The children can't wait to perform on stage at The New Vic Theatre in March and they are working hard to learn their lines. Year 5 are enjoying script editing and trying out lots of drama techniques!



Reception trip to the local church

As part of our Religious Education curriculum, our Reception children have been learning about “How Do Christians Worship God?”

To help bring this learning to life, we are excited to share that we are planning a visit to our local church. This visit will give the children a hands-on opportunity to explore a real place of worship and deepen their understanding of how Christians gather, celebrate, and practise their faith.

🏛️ What the Children Will See and Learn

During the visit, the children will:

• Take a guided tour around the church building

• Discover important features such as the altar, pulpit, and font

• Learn how Christians worship through prayer, singing, and coming together as a community

📅 Date of the Visit - Thursday 5th February 2026

To ensure a calm and enjoyable experience, the two Reception classes will visit separately:

• RM: 9.15-9.45 am

• R/1F: 10.15-.10.45

We are very much looking forward to this enriching experience and know the children will enjoy exploring this special place in our community. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Year 3 parent/carer creative workshop

On Monday 9th February, we will be celebrating 'Munching Monday' as a part of our 'well-being week' to launch as a Well Schools Trust. There will be a creative workshop for Year 3 parents/carers between 9:15 and 10:15 to create a fruit kebab. This will be an opportunity for you to join your child in class and take part in a creative activity with them. Please note that due to limited space in the classrooms only one person will be able to attend per child.

Meet Farmer Lucy, now proudly linked with Ellison Primary Academy. This year she'll be working with Year 4, showing how maths, science and problem-solving learned in class are used every day on the farm. Watch out for updates on the farm during the year.

Hi every one, my name is Lucy and I live on a farm in North Pembrokeshire, West Wales with my husband Marc. We have 300 Dairy cows and their milk goes into making Cheddar Cheese for Tesco.

I originally grew up on a farm in Cornwall where we had Sheep, Cows and a tourism business.

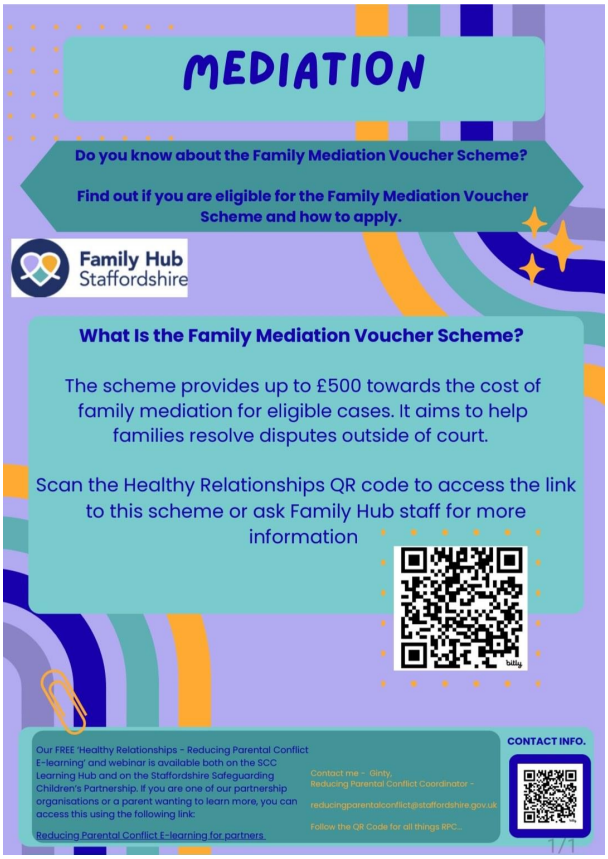
In my spare time I also like to play netball and go horse riding.

We have three dogs, Sam the collie, Lily the cocker spaniel and Beatrix the Terrier.





Mediation



Potty training

Need help with potty training? ERIC offers practical tips and support for families:

Please also see the link below to a potty training guide.

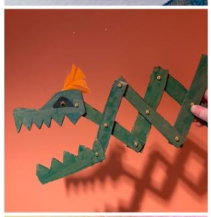
[The Potty Training Guide - Starting Reception]



Celebrating The National Year of Reading at Newcastle Library









DINOSAURS AND FOSSILS FAMILY STEAM DAY

Join the St John Fisher Catholic College Robotics Team, CyberByte, for a morning of **free, family friendly, hands on** STEAM activities.

Make your own fossils, build a dinosaur snapper, create wax rubbings of model fossils and take part in our design a robot competition.

There will also be a chance to see our robot in action and learn more about how Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths impact us all.

28th February 2026

10:30-12:30

Newcastle-Under-Lyme Library

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Fox Finds Love

Come along and meet author/artist Roselyn Barks as she reads from her story 'Fox Finds Love' . FREE – Booking essential

Ages 6+ ideally – although slightly younger siblings are very welcome too

Fox Finds Love displays the author's deep love for illustrated books, foxes, and nature. This beautiful story is for all those who love connecting with nature and stunning illustrations. This special story time session will be followed by a craft activity aligned to the story.

Tuesday 17th Feb 10.30am Newcastle library
Tuesday 17th Feb 2pm Kidsgrove library
Friday 20th Feb 10.30am Leek library
Friday 20th Feb 2pm Biddulph library

Book: 01782 485312 Newcastle.library@staffordshire.gov.uk

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Newcastle Under LIGHT

WORKSHOP!

Be part of a community-led art installation!
Public drop-in sessions **Saturday 7 February.**

where you can come to record your thoughts, chat about Newcastle or bring photographs.

9:30 - 11:30 Belong Village
12:30 - 15:30 Newcastle Library

appetite

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A Pocketful of Poets

A trio of clever wordsmiths!

Wednesday 18th February 2:00pm – Newcastle Library FREE but BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Join Emma Purshouse, Steve Pottinger and Nick Degg for an entertaining session of poems from some of the best poets in the West Midlands! They also happen to be lovely people too.

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Maria Credali— Once Upon a Time – traditional storytelling for the whole family!

Monday 16th February 2pm – Newcastle Library (Family event) FREE but BOOKING ESSENTIAL

A wonderful mix of folk and fairy tales from around the world. Perfect for both young and old, this is storytelling in the old fashioned sense of the word - tales are told, not read, and audiences are invited to listen in wonder (and occasionally join in!)

Riddles, laughs, and lots of fun. Suitable for everyone aged 5+

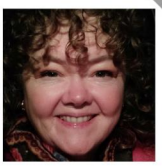
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Maria Credali – Fireside Tales

A traditional storytelling experience for adults.

Monday 16th February 10.30am – Newcastle Library
(Session for Adults) FREE but BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Frosty days, cosy nights, tingling fingertips and that first snowflake of the season…

A cosy collection of stories about Autumn and Winter, woven together with memories of frosty days in the 1970s.

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HALF TERM FUN AT NEWCASTLE LIBRARY



ACTION SONGS & AN INTERACTIVE STORY



Happening Friday
20th February
11:00 am - 11:30 am

Suitable for ages 0 - 11 yrs

Drop-in session.
Booking not required

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A Feast of Authors

Wednesday 18th February 11am

Newcastle Library FREE but Booking essential

We have a fabulous panel of authors who will be chatting about their books, writing style and what inspired them to become writers.

Come along and meet Priscilla Masters, Emma Woodhouse and Zara Maqbool.







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LOVE YOUR LIBRARY THIS FEBRUARY – OUR VALENTINE'S INVITE TO YOU!

--FOR CHILDREN/FAMILIES--



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH, AT 2 PM WE HAVE "ONCE UPON A TIME," A FAMILY STORYTELLING EVENT BY MARIA CREDALI. ENJOY A MIX OF FOLK AND FAIRY TALES TOLD IN A TRADITIONAL MANNER, INVITING AUDIENCES OF ALL AGES (5 TO 105) TO LISTEN AND PARTICIPATE WITH RIDDLES AND LAUGHTER.



TUESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 10.30AM - 'FOX FINDS LOVE'. STORYTIME AND CRAFT WITH AUTHOR/ARTIST ROSELYN BARKS. BOOKING ESSENTIAL. AGES 6+ **SLIGHTLY YOUNGER SIBLINGS WELCOME
COME ALONG AND MEET AUTHOR ROSELYN BARKS AS SHE READS FROM HER STORY 'FOX FINDS LOVE'
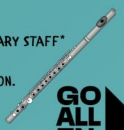


THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 10:30 AM - MARY POPPINS
IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCE OF THE CLASSIC STORY BY P.L. TRAVERS. TRANSFORMING THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY INTO A MAGICAL SPACE. FREE EVENT. BOOKING REQUIRED.



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2 PM - THE PIED PIPER OF HAMELIN
FREE DROP-IN STORYTIME EVENT FEATURING THE CLASSIC FOLK TALE. CHILDREN WILL BE RETURNED SAFELY AT THE END.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 11 AM - MUSICAL STORYTIME WITH LIBRARY STAFF
FREE DROP-IN EVENT FOR AGES 0-11 YEARS.
JOIN FOR ACTION SONGS AND AN INTERACTIVE STORY SESSION.



FOR BOOKINGS:
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--FOR ADULTS--



MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 10:30AM - MARIA CREDALI.

FIRESIDE TALES - A TRADITIONAL STORYTELLING EXPERIENCE FOR ADULTS.
FROSTY DAYS, COSY NIGHTS, TINGLING FINGERTIPS AND THAT FIRST SNOWFLAKE OF THE SEASON...
A COSY COLLECTION OF STORIES ABOUT AUTUMN AND WINTER, WOVEN TOGETHER WITH MEMORIES OF FROSTY DAYS IN THE 1970S.

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH AT 11:00 AM FOR A PANEL FEATURING AUTHORS DISCUSSING THEIR BOOKS AND INSPIRATIONS:



- *PRISCILLA MASTERS*: AUTHOR OF THE DETECTIVE INSPECTOR JOANNA PIERCY NOVELS AND MARTHA GUNN SERIES, WITH A NURSING BACKGROUND AND SEVERAL MEDICAL-THEMED MYSTERIES.



- *EMMA WOODHOUSE*: HISTORIAN AND AUTHOR FOCUSING ON WORKING-CLASS FEMALE HISTORIES. SHE HAS TWO HISTORICAL TRUE CRIME NOVELS AND IS WRITING A NON-FICTION BOOK ON VICTORIAN CRIMINAL WOMEN AND ANOTHER NOVEL, BOTH DUE IN NOVEMBER 2026.



- *ZARA MAQBOOL*: WRITER AND THERAPIST WITH OVER 20 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE. HER DEBUT NOVEL, *SANIYA*, COMBINES HER PASSION FOR WRITING AND PSYCHOLOGY, SHOWCASING WOMEN'S RESILIENCE.

BOOKING REQUIRED ON ALL EVENTS
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Toys and football cards

We have noticed that more toys and football cards are being brought into school recently. While we know children are very proud of their collections, we ask that these items are kept at home. They can easily be lost or damaged and can cause distractions in class and on the playground. Thank you for your support in helping children to focus on their learning in school.

Healthy lunchboxes

Please remember to send your child in with a healthy lunch. We are seeing an increasing number of unhealthy lunchboxes.

Please do not send your child into school with any nut products.

Playground Equipment

Whilst we enjoy seeing the children make use of the playground equipment at the end of the day, please ensure that your child is fully supervised when using the apparatus. There should be no more than six children on the equipment at one time. Please also ensure that you leave the premises by 3.25pm so that the gates can be closed on time. Thank you for your support.

Virtual Worry Box

You will find the new 'Worry Box' on our school website. If you go to the 'Children' tab, you will see 'Worry Box' as the third option down. When you click on the 'Worry Box' it will take you to a Microsoft forms page. Your child can complete the simple form (this can be done with your support if needed) and this will be sent to our SLT and Safeguarding team. Your child will not receive a direct message back in writing, but please be assured that a member of the team will act swiftly and ensure the appropriate support will be given.

Please be aware however, that the messages will not be checked outside of school hours and the worry box is not to be used to contact school staff in emergencies. Although we will check the worries regularly, we still encourage children to speak to an adult in school. Any concerns that parents and carers have should still be raised through the usual communication channels.

We hope this will be a great support for our children's mental health and well-being across the school and give them an extra way to communicate with our dedicated staff.



Knife prevention

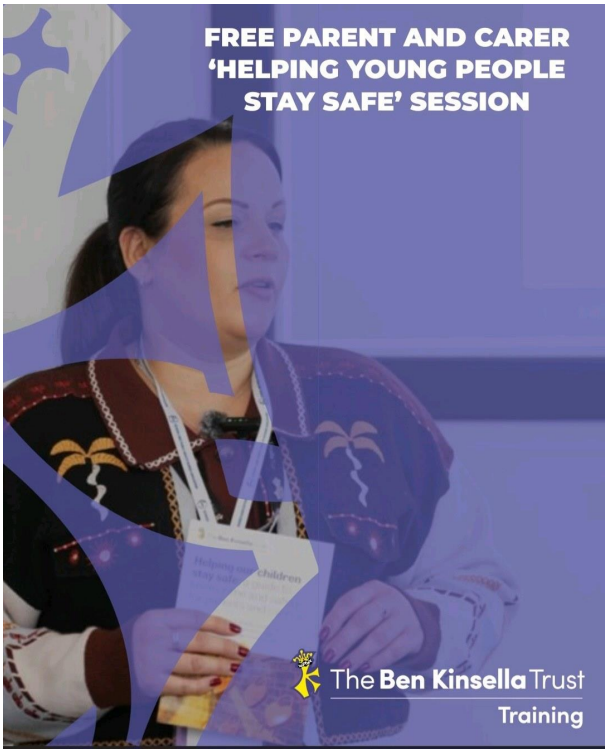
On behalf of the Ben Kinsella Trust - We are pleased to announce a new date for our popular FREE online session for Parents and Carers. We will be running this 2-hour session on Wednesday 4th February 6-8pm.

This session is hosted by knife crime prevention charity, The Ben Kinsella Trust and covers the following topics:

- Understanding knife crime from the perspective of young people
- The signs and stages of child exploitation
- Gangs and gang-life
- Exploring the link between trauma and exploitation
- Consider online harms, social media, slang and gang-related music
- Understanding how 'issues' with peers can escalate and how young people can manage them
- Having meaningful conversations about difficult topics
- Helping our children stay safe; the SAFE 'T's approach
- Further support and resources

You can book your space using the link below -

https://benkinsellatrust.beaconforms.com/form/dcd0caf8



Family Hub Staffordshire

Family Hub Staffordshire are able to offer support for families where there is parental conflict – whether parents are together or separating, frequent, intense, and poorly resolved conflict has a direct impact on the emotional wellbeing and mental health of our children.

This is a free workshop, that aims to support families to ease tension and create calmer family lives


Healthy Relationships
Free support
Click to complete a Family Hub Referral Form
Finding things difficult at home? You're not alone – and support is here.
Whether you parent together, apart, or co-parent, this space helps you strengthen communication, lower tension, and create a calmer, more connected family life.
Even when disagreements feel small, children can feel the impact. Small changes can make a big difference.
A referral is needed – please complete a Family Hub Referral Form to book.
Booking required through referral only. Please complete a 'Family Hub Referral Form' to book your space.
Family Hub Staffordshire
Right help.
Right time.
Right place.
Search Family Hubs Staffordshire to get the support you deserve

T3 Stars


Who we are
At STaRS, we provide a free, confidential, and easy-to-access service to anyone living in Staffordshire impacted by their use of alcohol and drugs.
We are here to help you make the changes you want. We will help you understand more about your alcohol or drug use in a way that works for you.
The T3 STaRS team
T3 STaRS is a specialist team working with 10-21 year olds using drugs or drinking across Staffordshire (excluding Stoke-on-Trent).
What we do
Find out what is important to you
One-to-one sessions with a key worker, focusing on the goals you want to achieve
Specialist advice and information on how to reduce the harms from your drug and alcohol use
Group work with young people in similar situations
Open access, outreach services and home visits, which means we support where you feel most comfortable
Advice on how to stay healthy and feel good
Link in with other services to support you, such as mental health services and housing
Support if you are affected by someone else's drug or alcohol use
Since working with the T3 STaRS service, I have been able to reduce my drug use and I feel more motivated and happy. It has been really helpful to have someone to talk to.
What to expect
This is what you get...
Non-judgemental help and support from our experienced team
Skills and knowledge to help you make informed choices and reduce harms
Support that is high-quality and responds to your needs
This is what you don't get...
We won't tell you what to do (but we will give you advice and information so you can make your own decisions)

Access *our* service

Are you...

- Experiencing difficulties with drugs and/or alcohol?
- Wanting to know more about substances?
- Aged 21 or under?
- Wanting someone to talk to in confidence?

If you answered yes for any of these questions, you can easily ***self-refer*** to our service online at **staffstars.org**

Simply complete the referral form and a member of our team will contact you.

If you are a professional working with a young person needing our support, or a family member or friend of a young person needing support, please ensure they have agreed for you to complete a referral form on their behalf.

T3 STaRS

Scan the QR code to visit our website to find out more

Contact *T3 STaRS*

@ STaRSYP@mpft.nhs.uk
0300 124 0356
www.staffstars.org/yp

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STaRS is provided by inclusion, a specialist service of Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (MPFT), in partnership with Staffordshire County Council. Find out more at www.inclusion.org.

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Free drug and alcohol support for young people



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Need support with alcohol and drugs?

We're here to help!

Our service is...

- Free
- Confidential
- Easy to access
- Non-judgemental



CONTACT US

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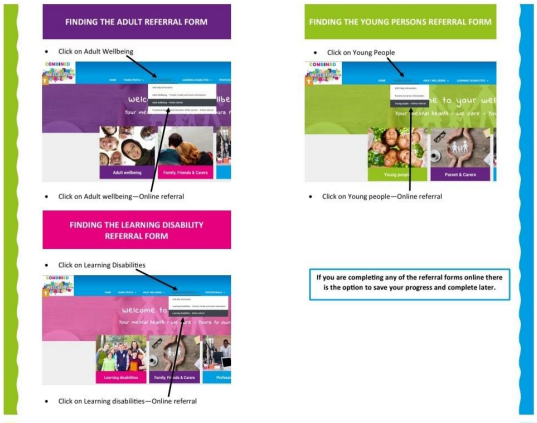
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Oaklands Nursery

Please follow the link below to Oaklands newsletter.

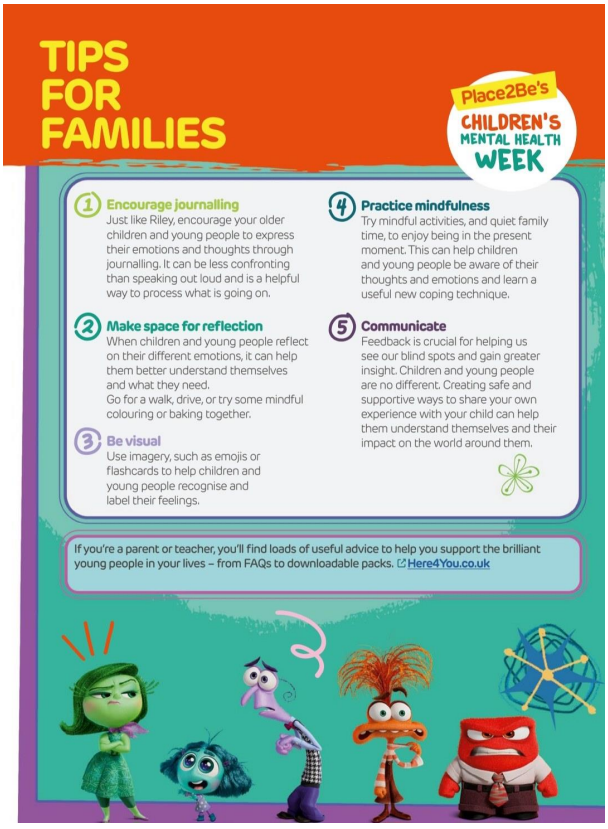
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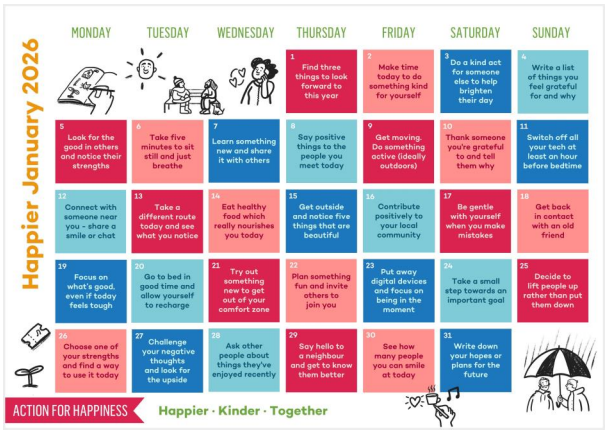

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Are you looking for a Nursery place for your 2, 3 or 4 year old child?
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Music Makers @
ELLISON
Every Tuesday afternoon
1:30-2:45pm @ Ellison Primary Academy
Come along for lively weekly music and movement sessions!
Each week brings a new chance to sing, dance, and play through songs, rhymes, and hands-on activities. Children can shake, stomp, stretch, and sway as they explore rhythm and sound in a warm, welcoming environment. It's a playful space to build confidence, spark creativity, and share smiles—perfect for curious minds and busy feet!
£2 per session- includes activity,drink and snack
Music Makers is suitable for children aged 12mths to 4 yrs. All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Advance booking essential
01782 987075 or email
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Action for Happiness calendar

Each month we shall include the Action for Happiness calendar on our newsletter. It is packed with daily ideas for helping with mental health and wellbeing. Don't forget to visit our school website to see the wealth of information available. Just go to 'Community' and then 'Mental Health and Wellbeing'. If you need any further support, our Mental Health First Aiders are Mrs Prince and Mrs Dawson so please contact the school if you would like to speak to either of the team or make an appointment.



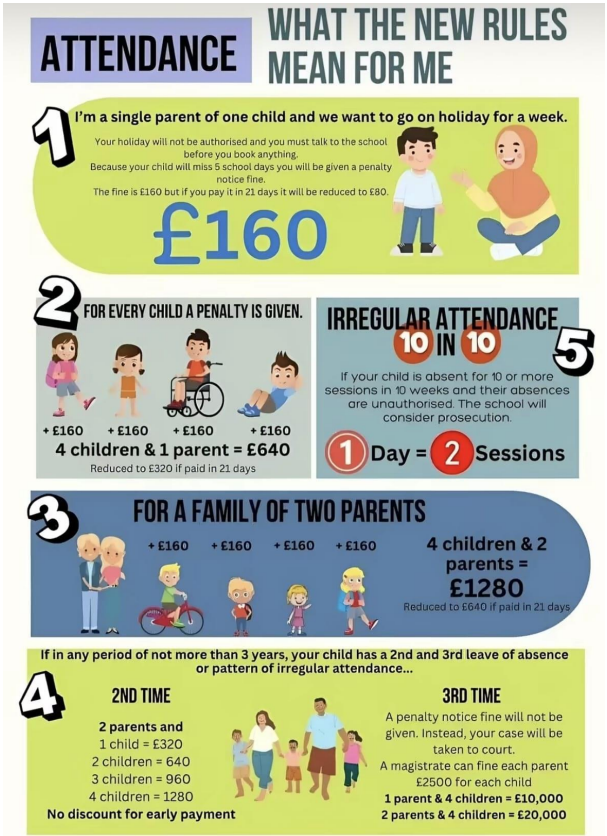


Food bank - please help yourself

We are very lucky that our Ellison family donate food throughout the year. We have more food items and sanitary products available in school. Either discretely help yourself to items from the reception area or ask the office for a bag to be made up for you.



Changes to attendance from September 2024 - you can find the policy on our school website.



No smoking or vaping

Please can we remind everyone that there should be no smoking or vaping on the school premises. We would appreciate this to be respected around the school entrance and gates too. Thank you for your support.



Parking

We need your support to ensure the roads around Ellison are safe and that neighbour's properties are not blocked by vehicles.

Please be aware of your surroundings when parking around the school.

A polite reminder - please park considerately in the surrounding area as a number of driveways are being blocked and cars are also parking on the yellow zig - zag lines causing concern for the safety of our children.

Reminder - ASDA is our Park and Stride, by parking there you will help to support safety of the surrounding roads.





Extra-curricular clubs

Monday - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Young Voices singing club (3.15p.m. - 4p.m.)

Monday - KS2 Homework club (3.15p.m. - 4p.m.)

Monday - Year 1 Lego club (3.15p.m. - 4p.m.)

Monday - Reception well-being club (3.15p.m.-4p.m.)

Tuesday - Year 4 Alternative sports club (3.15p.m. - 4.15p.m.)

Tuesday - Reception Storytime club (3.15p.m. - 4p.m.)

Tuesday - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Creation station club (3.15p.m. - 4.15p.m.)

Wednesday - Class 1/2M and 2H Multi-sports club (3.15p.m. - 4.15p.m.)

School Term Dates

Inset day: Monday 5th January 2026

School re-opens: Tuesday 6th January 2026 until Friday 13th February 2026

School closes: Monday 16th February 2026 until Friday 20th February 2026

School re-opens: Monday 23rd February 2026 until Thursday 26th March 2026

Inset day: Friday 27th March 2026

School closes: Monday 30th March 2026 until Friday 10th April 2026

School re-opens: Monday 13th April 2026 until Friday 22nd May 2026

May Day: Monday 4th May

School closes: Monday 25th May 2026 until Friday 29th May 2026

School re-opens: Monday 1st June 2026 until Friday 17th July 2026

Inset Day: Friday 5th June 2026

Inset Day: Monday 20th July 2026

School closes: Monday 20th July 2026 until Friday 28th August 2026

Academic Year and Holiday Dates 2025 – 2026

Autumn term 2025:

INSET DAY: Monday 1st September

INSET DAY: Tuesday 2nd September

Pupils: Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October

Holiday: Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

Pupils: Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December

Holiday: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January

Spring Term 2026:

INSET DAY: Monday 5th January

Pupils: Tuesday 6th January – Friday 13th February

Holiday: Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

Pupils: Monday 23rd February – Thursday 26th March

TRUST INSET DAY: Friday 27th March

Holiday: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

Summer Term 2026:

Pupils: Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May

MAY DAY: Monday 4th May

Holiday: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

Pupils: Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July

INSET DAY: Friday 5th June

INSET DAY: Monday 20th July

Holiday: Monday 20th July – Friday 28th August

Absence from school

If your child is unwell and won't be attending school, please call the school office on 01782 613674 before 9.30am. If it is before 8.30am please leave a message on the answer phone; including the reason for the absence. Please advise us of the illness and not just that your child is unwell. This will help us understand the types of illnesses in school and if any further action is required from Public Health. If your child has sickness and diarrhoea, they MUST remain absent from school for 48 hours, even if they are well in themselves. Thank you.

Privacy statement

Please follow the link below to see the privacy statement for parents and carers.

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Code of conduct for parents and carers

Please follow the link below to see the annual update for the code of conduct for parents and carers.

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