

Castlechurch's

NEWSLETTER



A message from the Senior Leadership Team

This week we have launched Staffordshire's new attendance campaign Little Heroes. You will have seen the different characters in the entrance, hall and the banner on the fence. The campaign is supporting the new legalisation released in August 2024. The campaign focuses on HERO—Here, Everyday, Ready, On Time! We have spoken to the children about how they can help improve our school attendance, ways that they can be prepared at home and ensure they have all the correct equipment to be ready for school. We have a new display in the hall that is tracking our weekly class attendance awards. So far, Willow & Beech are joint top of the league table with 2 weeks each, followed by Rowan with 1 week. We will reward the class with the most weekly awards each half term. There is a supplementary campaign called Helpful Heroes which supports children with anxieties around school attendance. We have identified some children already that may benefit from this support but if you feel that your child may benefit from some support then please make an appointment to speak to your class teacher at their drop in or inform the office. Thank you for all your support. We hope that you have a great weekend. Take care, from Team Castlechurch! :)

Next Week...

Monday	Willow & Oak PE kit
Tuesday	KSI Forest School Parent Engagement Elm & Cedar PE kit
Wednesday	PHOTOS KSI Parent Meeting
Thursday	Pine, Rowan, Beech, Maple & Hazel PE kit EYFS Parent Meeting PTPA Disco
Friday	Raindrops & Sunshines PE Kit

The calendar on the website has been updated please go to:

INSET DAY—25th October 24

[Calendar - Castlechurch Primary School |](#)

[Stafford](#)

Class	Attendance
Hazel	94.7%
Maple	97.51%
Willow	95.93%
Beech	97.26%
Pine	95.9%
Rowan	96.24%
Cedar	95.42%
Elm	97.12%
Oak	96.93%



This Week's winner is:
Maple



Picture News

Let's look at this week's story...

E-commerce company, Amazon, has told all staff they need to return to the office five days a week, ending the option to work from home. In a message to all workers, Chief Executive Andy Jassy said the company expected everyone to be in the office full time (apart from some exceptions) from 2nd January 2025. Amazon's new policy is very different from the UK government's approach, which is to make flexible working a right for employees, as promised in a new law proposal due to be announced later this year. What are your thoughts?



Our whole school attendance

This week, our school attendance was: **96.09%**

Celebrations



Maple— Ellie-Mae
 Willow – Gracie-Mae
 Hazel— Marshall
 Pine - David
 Rowan – Rory
 Beech – Hannah M
 Oak – Lylah
 Elm – Oscar K
 Cedar – Oscar H



Maple – Alfie .B
 Willow – Minnie-Mae
 Hazel - Ellie
 Pine— Georgia
 Rowan— Oscar
 Beech – Kai
 Oak – Evie
 Elm – Amelia
 Cedar— Antonia

Maple – Hattie
 Willow - Zakhar
 Hazel – Sarah
 Pine— AJ
 Rowan – Sidney
 Beech- Aubree
 Oak – Ruby-Mae
 Elm— Oscar.B
 Cedar – Mia



Maple – Dylan
 Willow – Skylah
 Hazel - Finnley
 Pine — Kacey-May
 Rowan— Leo
 Beech – Harry
 Oak – Ash
 Elm— Phoebe
 Cedar – Adam

House Points



Fox	228
Squirrel	149
Hedgehog	82
Badger	125

Lunchtime stars

KS1 – Nelli
 LKS2 - Bentley
 UKS2— Leila



Swap Shop



With the cost of living going up and perfect uniform and shoes in various sizes in our homes - join our swap shop and help the planet too!

Bring what you have and swap for something bigger! If you can't find what you need then please ask at the office.

RECYCLE
Save the planet!



Place any clean donations in the box and we will top up our boxes!



School & Community Information



FREE Autism and Girls Workshop For Parents/Carers

Please note, this session is for parents/carers of children with a diagnosis or on the pathway.
(Inc. those not yet referred to our service).

DATE	SESSION OVERVIEW	LOCATION	TIME
Monday 25 th November 2024	Autism and Girls Workshop Parents/Carers are invited to join a member of the Autism Inclusion Team for an online workshop with time for questions.	Microsoft Teams	16.30-18.00

SPACES ARE LIMITED

To reserve your space, please email: rachel.woollaston@staffordshire.gov.uk and include any questions to be answered in the session along with the name of the school your child attends.



Your child will have received a PTFA disco letter. All information is on the letter. The children love the discos so a big thank you to the team for arranging this.

Thursday 17th October

Years 1, 2 and 3: 4pm – 5pm

Years 4,5 and 6: 5.15pm – 6.15pm

£2.50 per child, this includes drinks and snacks

PLEASE JOIN MHST FOR A HALLOWEEN MINDFULNESS SESSION

PARENT & CHILD ACTIVITY

29TH OCTOBER 11AM-11:30

**STAFFORD: FAMILIES FIRST
FAMILIES FIRST AT FARADAY ROAD
FARADAY ROAD
STAFFORD
ST16 3NQ**

What to expect:

- Halloween-Themed Mindful Activities
- Breathing Exercises for Calm
- Mindfulness Tips for Parents & Kids

Sign up:

<https://forms.office.com/e/8nV9S4G4>

**ALL ARE WELCOME – NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE NEEDED
SPACES ARE LIMITED, SO BOOK YOUR SPOT TODAY!**

NHS
Midlands Partnership University
NHS Foundation Trust



School photos will be conducted on
Wednesday 16th October 2024
At this session we will be photographing
Whole School

Families
(Starting at 8:00am - 9:00am)

Siblings

Individuals

Please ensure full uniform is worn and children are neat and tidy.

Parents will receive free proofs of every image and the option to make a purchase.

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