

NEWSLETTER

A message from Mr Anderson-Pugh...

Dear parents and carers,

Where has the time gone? The weeks are flying by, and next week is already our final week before we break up for the Easter holidays!

This week at Castlechurch has been wonderfully busy. The children learned about the celebration and origins of St Patrick's Day, and we were delighted to welcome Academy Photos into school to take new photographs for our website—thankfully the sunshine made a perfect backdrop!

Year 5 and 6 enjoyed a fantastic visit to King Edward's School, while Year 1 and 2 had a brilliant trip to the local train station and Year 5 and 6 taking part in a yoga workshop. We also raised money for Red Nose Day by wearing red, and selected pupils showcasing their talents in a comedy performance for their peers.

Looking ahead to next week—our final week of term—please ensure all belongings are taken home. All clubs have now finished for the term and will restart in the week beginning 20th April 2026.

Year 1 to 6 will be visiting the local church for our Easter service, and the PTFA will be hosting a chocolate bingo session. Early Years, Year 1, and Year 2 will be putting on their delightful Easter Bonnet Parade, and Year 1 and 2 will also be performing an Easter sing-along.

Wishing everyone a lovely end to the term as we prepare for the Easter break! Have a fantastic weekend!

Mr Anderson-Pugh and the Castlechurch Team



Dates for your diary



Year 1—6 Easter service at the church 23/4/26

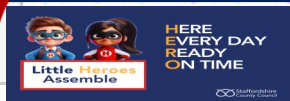
Year 1 and 2—Easter sing song 2.15pm

Spring reports to parents 26/3

Spring Term 2026
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Class	Attendance
Hazel	91.82%
Maple	96.67%
Willow	99.17%
Beech	96.09%
Pine	97.2%
Rowan	91.36%
Cedar	92.41%
Elm	96.67%
Oak	95.77%

Winners: Willow



Our whole school attendance
This week, our school attendance was:
94.64%

PE KIT DAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Monday— Willow PE

Tuesday—EYFS Forest School

Wednesday—3/4 All 3 for additional PE classes

Thursday— All of Y3/4 plus Swimming Kit for those that need it. Hazel and Maple

Friday— EYFS

DROP IN DAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Monday— Hazel/Maple/Willow

Tuesday—

Wednesday—

Thursday— Little raindrops/ sunshines/Cedar/Elm/Oak and Beech/Pine/Rowan

Friday— Food table on playground

Rewards and Celebrations



L.R— Clara

S.S - Isla

Maple—Patrick

Hazel —Olivia

Willow – Cayden

Pine –Georgie

Rowan –Oscar

Beech – Francesca

Oak—Lydia

Cedar-Hannah

Elm— Kaia



L.R— DJ

S.S - Tommy

Maple—Cooper

Hazel – Ellie

Willow – Alfie

Pine – Sophie

Rowan –Louie

Beech – Scarlett

Oak-Jack

Cedar-Charlie

Elm— Cassius



L.R— Ava

S.S - Theo

Maple—Dylan

Hazel –Lucas

Willow – Zakhar

Pine – Thaison

Rowan –Aurora

Beech – Cleo

Oak-Rejoice

Cedar-Kai

Elm-Erikas



	Week	Total
Fox	260	5546
Squirrels	304	5880
Hedgehogs	249	5623
Badgers	309	6432

House Points



Lunchtime stars

Lunchtime stars

Early Years— George +

Blaze

Years 1/2– Nadine

Years 5/6-Oscar

School—notice board and useful information

We have been informed of price changes from Staffordshire County Council, which will come into effect, when we return from Easter break on Monday 13th April 2026. As a result, we need to adjust some of our charges in school.

Nursery Sessions

- **A 3 hour nursery slot will increase from £16.29 to £17.79.**
- **Lunchtime supervision will remain at £3.50.**

School Meals

- **The cost of a school meal will increase from £3.20 to £3.25.**

We understand that any increase has an impact on families, and we appreciate your continued support around this matter. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



Our School in Action!

Castlechurch Primary School was bursting with colour and laughter on Red Nose Day! Children arrived dressed in bright red outfits and sporting wonderfully crazy hairstyles, bringing excitement and creativity to the day.

A group of selected pupils took to the stage to perform a hilarious comedy show for their peers, filling the hall with smiles and giggles. Their confidence and humour helped make the occasion even more memorable.

Thanks to the generosity of our families, we successfully raised £176.60 to support this fantastic cause.

A huge thank you to everyone who took part and contributed!





We would like to invite you to our

Year 1 and Year 2

Easter Celebration

Thursday 26th March

at

2:15pm

The children will be singing songs and showing off their wonderful Easter bonnets.

We hope you can join us!



THURSDAY 26TH MARCH

**EASTER
BONNET
PARADE!**

YEARS 1 AND 2

Please help your child create an Easter bonnet at home!

Get as creative as you like!

Please bring bonnets to school on the morning of
Thursday 26th March.

We can't wait to see your amazing creations.

Chocolate BINGO

Castlerchurch Primary School
Working Together To Achieve Our Best

Thursday 26th March at 4:30pm

No need to book
£1 per bingo sheet (max 3 sheets per person)

Doors open at 4pm
- On sale: bingo sheets, raffle tickets & refreshments
Eyes down for first game at 4:30pm

BINGO				
1	23	43	45	65
5	15	48	37	17
8	21		74	

GO	
49	57
37	64
7	81



CALLING PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS/CARERS

Have you received a service through
Staffordshire County Council?



Early Help
Child Protection Plan
Youth offending
Mental health
Receiving or have received a service
from the local authority.

We are looking for parents/carers for a
new Parent Lived Experience Forum
to improve services within our
authority.

**Come and join us for breakfast
and chat to find out more at
Castlechurch Primary School hub
on Thur 16th April 8:40am
after school drop off and or
2pm Castlechurch Community hub**



Staffordshire
County Council



School—notice board and useful information

DID YOU KNOW?

This menu has been proudly awarded the Bronze School Plates Award by ProVeg UK School Plates!

What we eat has a huge impact on the world around us. We've made small changes to create a healthier, more sustainable menu.

Eating less meat is one of the biggest ways to help the environment—and it can still be super tasty!



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

All pupils between reception and year 2 are entitled to a free nutritious school lunch.

Everyone automatically gets Universal Infant FREE school meals and can benefit by over £480 per child per year. If your child is in year 3 or above, find out if they could still qualify for a free school meal by contacting the school office.



SPECIAL DIETS

If your child requires a special diet for medical reasons, please check out our website

www.edwardsandward.co.uk

for a full list of FAQs and to complete our online form.



MENU

Spring/Summer 2026



edwards and ward
a recipe for success

WEEK ONE

MONDAY

Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) **or**
Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V)
Veg of the Day
Chocolate & Vanilla Swirl Cookie (Ve)

TUESDAY

Golden Coconut Chicken Curry with Rice
or Classic Mac & Cheese (V)
Veg of the Day
Cinnamon Apple Cake (V)

WEDNESDAY

Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy **or**
Sage & Onion Whirl with Roasties & Gravy (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Fruity Jelly (Ve)

THURSDAY

Homestyle Sausage Roll with Mash & Gravy
or Plantastic Balls with Mash & Gravy (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Banana-Topped Strawberry Mousse (V)

FRIDAY

Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips **or**
Crispy Garden Fingers with Chips (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Chocolate Brownie (Ve)

23/2/26, 16/3/26, 6/4/26, 27/4/26,
18/5/26, 8/6/26, 29/6/26

WEEK TWO

Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) **or**
Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V)
Veg of the Day
Vanilla Snap (Ve)

Spring Turkey Bow Tie Pasta
or Garden Bolognese Bow Tie Pasta (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Flapjack (Ve)

Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy **or**
Butternut Squash Hot Pot with Roasties (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Fruity Jelly (Ve)

Chicken Stir-Fry Rice
or Rainbow Noodle Bowl (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Banana-Topped Strawberry Mousse (V)

Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips **or**
Cheesy Bean Whirls with Chips (V)
Veg of the Day
Chocolate Brownie (Ve)

2/3/26, 23/3/26, 13/4/26, 4/5/26,
25/5/26, 15/6/26, 6/7/26

WEEK THREE

Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) **or**
Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V)
Veg of the Day
Lemon Biscuit (Ve)

Sausage with Mash & Gravy
or Garden Sausage with Mash & Gravy (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Choco Krispie Bite (Ve)

Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy **or**
Cheesy Broccoli Bake with Roasties (V)
Veg of the Day
Fruity Jelly (Ve)

Penne with Beef Bolognese
or Sunshine Sweet Potato Curry with Rice (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Banana-Topped Strawberry Mousse (V)

Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips **or**
Crispy Garden Fingers with Chips (Ve)
Veg of the Day
Chocolate Brownie (Ve)

9/3/26, 30/3/26, 20/4/26, 11/5/26,
1/6/26, 22/6/26, 13/7/26

Homemade Hero Pasta (Ve), Filled Jacket Potatoes and Sandwiches (including V/Ve options) are also available daily along with freshly baked bread, salad, fresh fruit, jelly (Ve), yoghurts (V) and fresh drinking water.



ATTENDANCE

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1

I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything. Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.

The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

£160



2

FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

10 IN 10

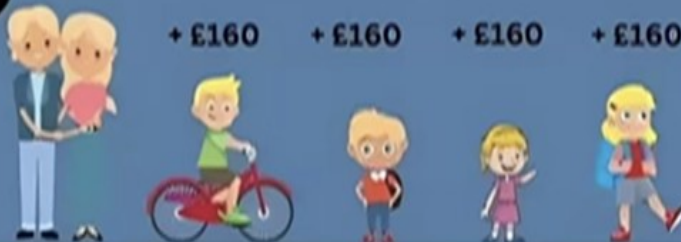
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If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

1 Day = 2 Sessions

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FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

4 children & 2 parents = £1280

Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days

If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

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2ND TIME

2 parents and
1 child = £320
2 children = 640
3 children = 960
4 children = 1280

No discount for early payment



3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000
2 parents & 4 children = £20,000



This weeks Spotlight: Join our local advisory board!



Could you spare a little time to help make a big difference?
We're seeking a committed parent/carer to join our Governing Board and support the continued growth and success of our school. If you're passionate about our children's education and want to have a voice in shaping our school's future, we'd love to hear from you!



✦ EXCITING OPPORTUNITY ✦

Would you like to take on an important role within our school community? We are currently seeking to recruit a parent representative for our Local Advisory Board.

Please email your interest to
office.cas@cflptrust.co.uk

