

Castlechurch's

NEWSLETTER



A message from Mr Anderson-Pugh...

Dear parents and carers, what an amazing first full week back at Castlechurch Primary School! It has been wonderful to see our children settled, engaged and ready for learning. This week, our Key Stage 1 pupils have enjoyed the start of Forest School, providing exciting opportunities to learn outdoors, work together and develop new skills.

As part of our CFLP Children's Values, we have been focusing on collaboration, teamwork, sportsmanship and the importance of supporting one another. It has been pleasing to see these values reflected across the school in classrooms, on the playground and during learning activities. Homework menus, reading books and children's planners have also been sent home this week. Please take a few moments to look through these with your child and talk about the opportunities and expectations for the term ahead. Your support at home makes a real difference to children's confidence and success. Also next week clubs will commence—make sure you have signed up via arbor.

Next week promises to be another busy one. Our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will take part in a Sleep Hygiene Workshop delivered by the Mental Health Support Team, helping them to understand the importance of healthy routines and wellbeing. We also have our first educational visit of the year, with Years 5 and 6 visiting the local fire station to enhance their learning.

On Monday, we will be celebrating Roald Dahl Day. Children will enjoy sharing favourite Roald Dahl stories and learning more about the life and achievements of one of Britain's most-loved authors.

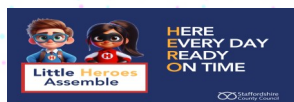
The school is also looking to recruit a lunchtime supervisor details can be found by clicking: [Lunchtime Supervisor at Castlechurch Primary School, Stafford, Staffordshire | MyNewTerm](#)

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to another exciting week of learning at Castlechurch —Mr Anderson-Pugh and the Castlechurch team!



Class	Attendance
Hazel	100 %
Maple	94.5 %
Willow	98.57 %
Beech	99.2 %
Pine	99.55 %
Rowan	90.8 %
Cedar	97.5 %
Elm	98.57 %
Oak	99.26 %

HAZEL



Dates for your diary



AUT TERM

Roald Dahl day 14/9
MacMillian coffee afternoon 25/9
Castlechurch at work: 29/9 EY, 30/9 KS1, 1/10 KS2
Parents evening 6/10
Academy photos 14/10
PTA disco 22/10

Facebook:

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Website:

[Home Page - Castlechurch Primary School | Stafford](#)

Key dates:

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PE KIT DAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Monday— Willow class

Tuesday—Willow/Maple/Hazel forest school—starting 8/9. Cedar PE

Wednesday— Elm/Oak

Thursday— Y3/4 (plus

Swimming Kit for those that need it). Hazel & Maple

Friday— EYFS

We come to school in PE kit on PE day

DROP IN DAYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Monday— Hazel/Maple/Willow

Tuesday—

Wednesday—

Thursday— Little rainbows/Sunshines/Stars/Cedar/Elm/Oak Beech/Pine/Rowan

Friday— Food table on playground

Please find below High fliers price updates as from September 1st 2026



High Fliers

Before and after school care for Castlechurch



High Fliers



PRICES

MORNING INC. BREAKFAST 7:30 - START OF SCHOOL

£5.95 10% Discount for Additional Children

AFTERSCHOOL UNTIL 16:30

£8.35 10% Discount for Additional Children

AFTERSCHOOL UNTIL 17:30

£9.45 10% Discount for Additional Children

AFTERSCHOOL UNTIL 18:00

£10.55 10% Discount for Additional Children



LATE COLLECTION FEE - £5



"I like spending time with my friends at High Fliers"
- F.H -

"There's lots of toys I like playing with"
- R.P -

"I love coming to High Fliers as it is lots of fun"
- M.K -

"The best part is playing Lego with my friends."
- C.C -



Rewards and Celebrations



LR— Ava-Mae

Sun:-Isaac

Star— Cassius

Maple— Lucy

Hazel – Mckenzie

Willow – Jaxson

Pine – Henry

Rowan – Zakhar

Beech –Sienna

Oak—Bentley

Cedar - Louie

Elm— Sam



L.R— Jude

Sun - Sienna

Star—Oliver M

Maple— Skyla

Hazel— Logan

Willow –Freddie B

Pine – Carter

Rowan – Kirston

Beech – Freaya

Oak— Pipah/Harry

Cedar –Jack B

Elm— Lola



LR – Ava-Mae

Sun –Isaac

Star-Cody

Maple— Owen

Hazel – Ffion

Willow – Jacob

Pine—Chase

Rowan – Noah

Beech –Lily

Oak— Reggie

Cedar— Oscar



	Week	Total
Fox	386	386
Squirrels	370	370
Hedge-hogs	451	451
Badgers	346	346

House Points



Lunchtime stars

Early Years – Stefanie

Reception—Freddie

Cassius

Years 1/2– Neave

Years 3/4—Henry



School in Action



School Community information



Our food table will be on the play-ground every Friday after school. It is donated to us by The Life Church grocery. A big Thank you to them.

Please help yourself!

RSF



Discover our FREE rail safety videos and keep your children safe by visiting raisafriendly.com

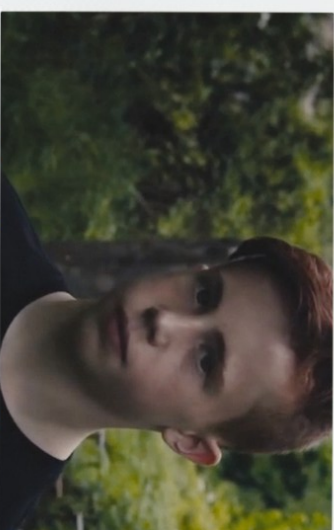
THE RAIL SAFE FRIENDLY PROGRAMME

The Rail Safe Friendly programme has educated over **3 million young people** on the dangers of the railways.



SCAN ME

DON'T LET YOUR CHILDREN BECOME THE NEXT STATISTIC



"I implore you to listen to Harrison's story"

Simon Frazer, Principal,
Gullsborough Academy

According to the **ORR Report**, April 23 – March 24 on UK railways:

12

people died in accidents while trespassing

58%

were struck by a train or tram

42%

were electrocuted

According to **Rail Safe Friendly**, July 25:

120+

companies support the programme

11,000+

schools in the UK have engaged

20,000+

UK schools still need to be reached



Our amazing PTPA do a wonderful job raising money for school. The money they raise goes directly towards providing extra resources and enrichment activities for your children. They welcome anyone that can help. You can do as much or as little as you want but every bit of help is amazing!

Our next meeting is on:

Thursday 24th September at 3.30pm in Mrs Cranwell's classroom.

It will only be about 30 minutes, please come along!



EXCITING OPPORTUNITY

Castlechurch Primary School situated in Stafford is seeking a committed and enthusiastic individual(s) to join our Local Advisory Board. As a member, you will work strategically with school leaders to support, challenge, and contribute to the continued success of the school. No previous governance experience is required as training and support will be provided. We welcome individuals with a passion for improving outcomes for children and serving their local community.

Key qualities:

- Commitment to improving children's education and wellbeing
- Ability to think strategically and ask constructive questions
- Willingness to attend meetings and training
- Interest in supporting the school's vision and values

Time commitment is approximately 6 meetings per year, plus occasional school visits and training.

Castlechurch Primary School, Tennyson Road
Stafford, ST17 9SY
Tel: 01785 334955

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



Parenting Support Sessions

Free support sessions for parents at Stone Community Hub

Our sessions are a welcoming space to talk through any worries,
learn more about our service and find out what other
support is available

Upcoming dates

- Thursday 18th June 2026
- Thursday 16th July 2026
- Thursday 20th August 2026
- Thursday 17th September 2026



**Stone Community Hub, Frank Jordan
Community Centre, Lichfield St, Stone ST15 8NA**

For bookings and more details, please visit
sctsp.org.uk/community-family-support

School/organisation based sessions are available to book separately
Please contact daniellebutcher.fss@sctsp.org.uk for more details

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

WEEK TWO

WEEK THREE

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

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

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

V - Vegetarian Ve - Vegan

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

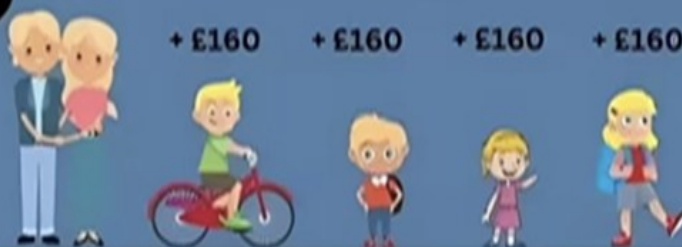
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If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

1 Day = 2 Sessions

3

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...

4

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: Headboy, Head girl and the deputies!



Congratulations to Our New Pupil Leaders!

A huge congratulations to our newly elected Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl.

We would also like to thank every pupil who put themselves forward and took the time to prepare a letter of application. The quality of the letters was outstanding and a real credit to our Castlechurch family. Each one demonstrated pride in our school, thoughtful ideas and a commitment to making a positive difference.

Following a democratic vote by both pupils and staff, our Head Boy, Head Girl and Deputies were elected to represent our school community. We are incredibly proud of everyone who applied and look forward to seeing our new pupil leaders carry out their roles throughout the year.

Well done to all involved – we are very proud of you!

