The Chancel CHIRPER



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COMING SOON

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Darker Mornings and Evenings

As the days grow shorter, it is now much darker before and after school. We kindly remind parents and carers to talk to children who walk to and from school about staying safe on their journey.

Please encourage them to take extra care when crossing roads and, where possible, to wear something bright or reflective so they can be easily seen by drivers. Even small items like reflective armbands, bag tags, or coat strips can make a big difference.

Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe during the winter months.



Upcoming Events at Chancel Primary School

Learn • Grow • Achieve • Together

Important dates for your diary!

OCTOBER

Wednesday 14th
Tempest – Individual & Sibling Photos
Throughout the school day, all children will have their individual photographs taken, as well as photographs with siblings who attend the school.

Wednesday 14th
Nursery and Reception Open Evening @5pm
All prospective parents whose children are due to start in Nursery or Reception in September 2027 are invited to visit school to meet staff and take a tour of Chancel.

Friday 16th
Flu Immunisations
The NHS team are in to administer the Flu immunisations for pupils in Reception to Year 6. You should have received a link to sign your child up.

Monday 19th
Y5 Derby Open Centre
Year 5 will be visiting the Derby Open Centre as part of their Religious Education Curriculum.

Tuesday 20th October
EYFS Halloween Stay and Play
Parents/carers of pupils in EYFS are invited to join their child at a stay and play.
Ducklings 9.30- 10.15am; Puffins 9.15 – 10.00am; and Reception is 9.15 – 10.15am.

Wednesday 21st
Harvest Service
Parents/carers of pupils in Reception, KS1 and KS2 are invited to 'The Harvest Service' which will be held at St. Augustine's Church at 10am.

Thursday 22nd
Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

Friday 23rd
Inset Day (school closed to pupils)



NOVEMBER

Tuesday 3rd
Reception Open Morning @10-11am
All prospective parents/carers whose children are due to start in Reception in September 2027 are invited to visit school to meet staff and take a tour of Chancel.

Friday 13th
Children In Need
Pupils will be invited to wear one item of **spotty** clothing on this day and participate in a variety of sporting events, for a donation of £2 (payable via Parentpay).

Friday 13th
Progress Reports Issued
Your child will receive their Progress Report via Class Dojo.

Saturday 14th
EYFS Open Morning 10am-12pm
All prospective parents/carers whose children are due to start in Nursery or Reception in September 2027 are invited to visit school to meet staff and take a tour of Chancel.

Monday 16th
Book Parents' Evening Appointments
Parents/carers can start to book Parents' Evening Appointments by contacting the school office.

Monday 16th
Anti-Bullying Week
Pupils will participate in a wide range of activities in school in support of Anti Bullying Week.

Monday 23rd
Parents Evening 3.40 – 5.30pm

Tuesday 24th
Parents' Evening 3.40 – 5.30pm

Monday 23rd
Christmas Raffle Tickets Go On Sale
We will start selling Raffle Tickets at £1 per ticket (payable via Parentpay). There will be a vast array of wonderful prizes to win.



DECEMBER

Thursday 3rd
Christmas Jumper Day (Hamper Donation)
Pupils are invited to wear a Christmas Jumper on this day and donate an item for our Christmas Hampers.

Thursday 3rd
Pantomime (Cinderella)
KS2 will watch the panto in the morning; whilst Reception and KS1 will attend the afternoon performance.

Tuesday 8th December
Christmas Production
Parents/carers of pupils in Nursery Puffins, Reception and Year 1 are invited to watch the Christmas Production. There will two performances at 10am and 2.30pm.

Tuesday 8th
KS2 Movie Munch
Pupils in Key Stage 2 will be invited to stay after school from 3.30pm – 5.30pm to watch a movie. They will be served hotdogs, chips, cake and a drink for £5 (payable via Parentpay).

Wednesday 9th
Reception Trip to Amerton Farm
Pupils in Reception will visit Amerton Farm to meet Santa and take a ride on the train. Payable via Parentpay.

Wednesday 9th
Y2 Christmas Extravaganza @2.30pm
Parents/carers of pupils in Year 2 are invited to join the class for a Christmas Extravaganza.

Thursday 10th
Y1 & Y2 Trip to Conkers
Pupils in Year 1 and 2 will visit Conkers to experience their Winter Wonderland (payable via Parentpay).

Friday 11th
Christmas Fair
The school Christmas Fair will be held after school at 3.30pm. There will be lots of activities and the raffle will be drawn.

Tuesday 15th
Nursery & KS1 Tea With Santa
Pupils in Puffins, Reception, Year 1 and 2 are invited to join us after school, 3.30 – 4.45pm, to meet Santa. They will be served fishfingers, chips, cake and a drink for £5 (payable via Parentpay).

Wednesday 16th
Christmas Dinner Day
Pupils will be able to order a Christmas Dinner on this day.

Friday 18th
Carol Concert
Parents/carers of pupils in Reception, KS1 and KS2 are invited to 'The Carol Concert' which will be held at St. Augustine's Church at 10am.



A busy and exciting term ahead!



Christmas Jumper Donations

At Chancel, we always aim to support families in any way we can. Many of you will already know that we accept uniform donations throughout the year, and we have a clothes rail in the main entrance where parents and carers are welcome to help themselves. We understand that buying new uniform can be difficult for some families, and we are proud to offer this support.

As we approach our Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 3rd December, we would like to extend this initiative to include Christmas jumpers. We don't want any child to feel left out, and we understand that not every family may have or be able to buy a Christmas jumper.

If you have any spare or outgrown Christmas jumpers at home, we would be very grateful for your donations. These will be added to our clothes rail and made available for other families to use.

Donations can be brought into school and taken to the main office. Thank you for helping us ensure every child can join in the festive fun!



Christmas Raffle

Tickets for our PTFA Christmas Raffle go on sale on Monday 23rd November at £1 each, payable via ParentPay. The school office will email your raffle ticket numbers once purchased.

With a £100 first prize, hampers, lots of vouchers and other fantastic prizes, don't miss out on the chance to win!

Sponsored Read

We are excited to announce that Chancel Primary School will be taking part in a whole-school Sponsored Read from Monday 23rd to Monday 30th November!

Our aim is to encourage children to enjoy reading in all its forms, while raising money to buy exciting new books and resources for our school. We are working alongside our Usborne Partner, Kate from The Story Nook. As well as the sponsorship money raised, Usborne will contribute up to 60% of the total raised in additional free books for Chancel.

Our whole-school fundraising target is £600! We are asking the whole Chancel family to work together to achieve this goal. If we reach our target, Usborne will donate at least an additional £360 worth of free books, giving us a fantastic £960 to spend on new books and resources for our children.

We would love every child to get involved. Reading can take many forms – books, comics, magazines, newspapers, recipes, poems, websites and much more. Children can read independently or enjoy being read to by an adult.

How does it work?

A letter and a two-sided sponsorship pack will be sent home during the week commencing 16th November. There are two ways for children to get involved:

- Reading Challenge: Children record the number of minutes they spend reading or being read to each day on their reading log. Every minute counts!

- Fundraising Challenge: Children can collect sponsorship in whichever way suits their sponsors – a donation for every minute or hour they read, or a single fixed sponsorship amount.

Throughout the Sponsored Read week, teachers will share daily class totals, letting parents know how many minutes their class has spent reading or being read to that day.
There are four prizes up for grabs!

We will be awarding four prizes in total:

- One prize for the child who records the most minutes reading across Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

- One prize for the child who raises the most sponsorship money across Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

- One prize for the child who records the most minutes reading in Key Stage 2 (Years 3–6).

- One prize for the child who raises the most sponsorship money in Key Stage 2 (Years 3–6).

Sponsored Read...continued

So, whether your child loves spending hours with a book or is keen to help us raise money for new reading resources, there is a chance to win!

Returning sponsorship money

Please return completed sponsorship forms and all money to the school office by Friday 4th December. Cash should be placed in a named envelope.

If you need any additional sponsorship forms, these will be available in the school lobby or from your child's classroom teacher.

Thank you, as always, for supporting our school and helping us to give our children access to even more wonderful books. By working together as the Chancel family, we can make a real difference to our reading resources.



Rugeley Town Council Baubles



Rugeley Town Council has invited Chancel to take part in a special festive project to celebrate the Rugeley Christmas Lights Switch-On on 28th November.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are bringing home a wooden bauble to decorate. We would love you to work together as a family to decorate your bauble and help us spread some Christmas cheer throughout Rugeley!

Please return your decorated bauble to school by Monday 24th November, when a representative from Rugeley Town Council will collect them.

All of the baubles will then be displayed around the town for everyone to enjoy. Thank you for your support. We can't wait to see your wonderful creations!

Parent Evenings

We are pleased to share that our November progress reports were sent home on Friday 13th November. We hope that all parents and carers find them helpful and informative, and that they give a clear picture of how well the children are learning and growing this term.

If you would like to speak with your child's class teacher about their report or any aspect of their progress, you can now book a Parent Evening appointment by calling the school office. Appointments are available on:

- Monday 23rd November, 3:30–5:30pm
- Tuesday 24th November, 3:30–5:30pm

Each meeting will last 10 minutes, giving families a focused time to discuss achievements, next steps, and how we can continue to work together to support each child.

Parents and carers of SEND pupils will receive a separate message with details about booking an appointment with our SENCo. These meetings will take place on:

- Thursday 26th November, 9:30am–3:15pm

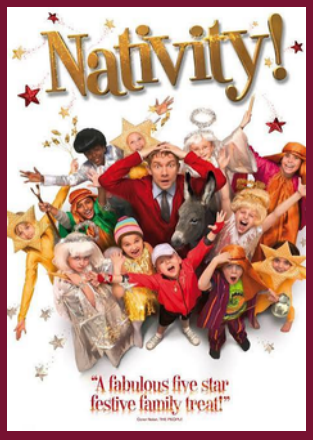
We look forward to welcoming families into school and appreciate your continued support. Please contact the school office with any questions or to secure your booking.

PTFA KS2 Movie Munch



We are delighted to share that the PTFA have organised a Movie Munch Evening for all KS2 children on Tuesday 8th December 2025. This festive after-school event will run from 3:30pm to 5:30pm, and all children will need to be collected at 5:30pm, due to the dark nights.

Two Christmas films will be shown:
Year 3 & Year 4: The Christmas Chronicles
Year 5 & Year 6: Nativity



The cost of the event is £5.00 per child, payable via ParentPay. This price includes a hotdog, drink and cake, making it a fun and tasty way to enjoy the festive season with friends!

Please note that bookings will not be accepted after Friday 4th December, so make sure to secure your child's place before the deadline.

We look forward to a cosy, Christmassy evening for all our KS2 children!

PTFA KS1 Tea With Santa



We are excited to announce our festive Tea with Santa event, taking place on Tuesday 15th December from 3:30pm to 4:45pm. This magical after-school treat is open to all children attending Puffin Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

For just £5.00 per pupil, children will enjoy a delicious tea of fish fingers and chips plus cake, with a vegetarian option available. As always, Santa will be making a special visit to spend time with the children and share some festive cheer.

Please note that the closing date for bookings is Monday 7th December, and unfortunately we cannot accept any pupils after this date.

We look forward to a wonderful afternoon filled with excitement and Christmas magic!

Pantomime



Milk

Milk orders for the Spring Term are now open for parents/carers wishing to order milk for their child. Children who have ordered milk will receive a carton daily from Tuesday 5th January to Thursday 25th March 2027.

The cost for the term is £18.02, payable via ParentPay. Reduced costs apply to Year 5 (£17.00) and Year 6 (£16.32) due to their residential visits to Laches Wood and Standon Bowers respectively.

Orders must be placed via ParentPay by Wednesday 9th December. Unfortunately, we will be unable to accept any orders after this date.

Reception parents/carers will receive separate information regarding milk orders.



Christmas Fair

We are delighted to announce that this year's Chancel Christmas Fair will take place on Friday 11th December from 3.30pm!

The fair will take place throughout the school hall and classrooms, with lots of festive fun for everyone to enjoy. There will be hot chocolate and mince pies available to buy, as well as a selection of Christmas crafts made by our children.



Would you like a stall?
We are also inviting parents, carers and local businesses to have a stall at our Christmas Fair. Stalls will cost £10, and parents are welcome to share a stall with someone else if they wish.

Places will be limited, so if you would like to have a stall, please let us know as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

We can't wait to see everyone and get into the Christmas spirit together!

Reception Admissions

Staffordshire County Council

School Admissions and Transport Service
2, Staffordshire Place
Stafford
ST16 2DH
Telephone: 0300 111 8007
Email: admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk

October 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - ADMISSION INTO RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2027

Applications open on 01 November 2026. **The national closing date is 15 January 2027.**

Please visit www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions or scan the QR Code for more information.

The online system will ask for a UID number – please click 'No UID', this will allow you to continue with your application.

What you need to know:

- If others share parental responsibility for your child but live at a different address, please ensure you agree on school preferences before applying.
- All the information you need about the admissions process in Staffordshire is available on our website.
- Please read the reverse of this letter carefully before submitting your application online via the website.
- No priority for children in the school nursery and no guarantee that a place will be allocated in the reception class.
- Use our online search and compare tool to explore Staffordshire schools.
- Check if your child qualifies for **free home-to-school travel assistance** at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schooltransport.

When applying:

- List **all** the schools you would like your child to attend — including those located **outside Staffordshire**.
- Check each school's **admission arrangements** to understand how your application will be considered.
- Some schools may require **additional information** or a **supplementary form**.

If you do not make an application, your child may be disadvantaged in the school admissions process, even if you have an older child attending your preferred school or live in the catchment area.

Kind regards
Staffordshire School Admissions and Transport Service

Staffordshire County Council

Important points to remember

- **Apply online by 15 January 2027** to ensure your application is considered.
- Visit www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions and read all the guidance carefully.
- **You must apply**, even if your preferred school already has an older sibling attending, or your child is in the school nursery, or it is your local school.
- **List more than one school preference**. Only listing one does not give you an advantage and could result in your child being placed at a school far from home.
- All applications are processed **at the same time**. There is no priority for first preferences or early submissions.
- Rank schools in **your true order of preference**, not based on where you think your child is most likely to be accepted.
- If your child qualifies for more than one school listed on your application, the one **ranked highest** on your application will be offered.
- Be realistic. It's strongly recommended to include your **catchment area school** (if applicable) as one of your preferences.
- Understand each school's **admission arrangements** to know how your application will be prioritised.
- Some schools may require **additional documents or supplementary forms** (e.g. baptismal certificates).

  It is **your responsibility** to provide these — the Local Authority will not obtain these on your behalf.
- Consider **how your child will travel to school**.

  Most children are **not entitled** to free travel assistance. Check eligibility at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schooltransport
- You will receive your child's school offer on **16 April 2027**. Offers will not be released before this date.

Primary School Reception Application Process

Opens
1 November
2026

The application process for a Reception place for **September 2027** will open on **1 November 2026.**

The easiest way for parents to apply is **online** via:

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions

Closes
15 January
2027

The closing date for applications is **15 January 2027.**

Please make sure you submit your application before the deadline.



Children In Need

Last Friday, we all came together to support Children in Need, and we are delighted to share that we raised an amazing **£315.35**! Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously.

Pupils were invited to wear a spotty item to school in return for a small donation, and the day was filled with fun activities. Children enjoyed taking part in races and games in the hall and had great fun guessing the number of sweets in the jar.

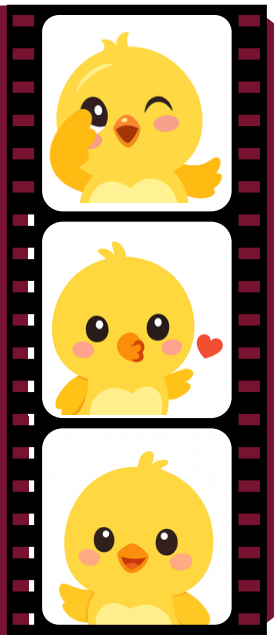
It was a wonderful day of kindness, enthusiasm and community spirit. A huge well done and thank you to our pupils, families and staff for helping to make the day such a success.



Photographs

All children have now had their individual and sibling photographs taken, and the proofs have been sent home. If you would like to order copies, please visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk and make sure all payments are made directly to Tempest Photography — not to Chancel School — within 14 days of receiving your proofs.

If your child was absent on the day the photographs were taken, don't worry! The photographer will be returning to school on 23rd November to take any remaining photos. Thank you for your cooperation!



Choir

The school choir will perform a medley of festive songs at this year's Rugeley Christmas Light Switch-On, on Saturday 28th November, at 11.50am.

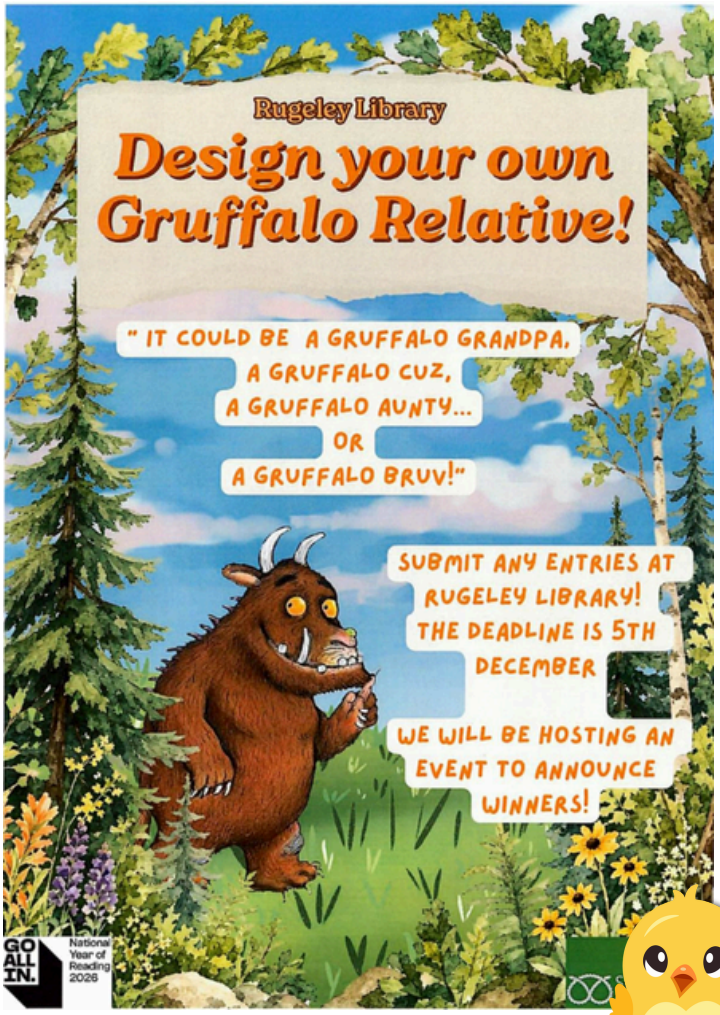
More details to follow shortly.



Local Events









Trips

Years 1 & 2 Conkers Winter Wonderland



We are delighted to announce that our Years 1 and 2 children will be visiting Conkers Winter Wonderland on Thursday 10th December 2026 for a magical festive adventure!

The children will begin by following the Reindeer Trail, before hopping aboard Santa's Conkerchoo Train and making their way to Waterside. From there, the friendly elves at the Amphitheatre kiosk will be waiting to sprinkle some Christmas magic as the children follow the trail towards Santa's Grotto, where they will have the exciting opportunity to meet Santa!

Children should come to school in school uniform and will need a suitable warm coat and sensible footwear. A packed lunch will be provided by school. The cost of the trip is £22.95 per pupil, which is now available to pay via ParentPay.

Reception Amerton Farm

Our Reception children will be visiting Amerton Farm on Wednesday 9th December 2026 for a magical Christmas adventure!

The children will be escorted by Santa's elves to Santa's Grotto, where they will receive a special gift. They will also have the chance to see Santa's reindeer and other farm animals, as well as enjoying a ride on the farm's train.

The visit will take place during school hours. Children should wear school uniform, suitable footwear and a waterproof coat. A packed lunch will be provided by school.

The cost of the visit is £28.00 per child, payable via ParentPay.

We are sure the children will have a wonderful festive day!



Residentials



Year 5 - Laches Wood

We are excited to announce that Year 5 children will have the chance to take part in a residential visit to Laches Wood from **Wednesday 17th March to Friday 19th March 2027**. The trip will include a variety of fun and challenging activities, as well as all meals. Parents will need to arrange transport for their child to and from Laches Wood.

A deposit of £50.00 was required by **Monday 19th October 2026** to secure your child's place. The full payment must be made by **Monday 8th March 2027**. (Children who are entitled to Free School Meals will receive a subsidy; the school office will contact those families directly.)

If your child does not intend to go, you needed to inform the school office by **19th October 2026.** After this date, parents will be charged the full amount.
We are looking forward to a memorable trip and hope as many Year 5 children as possible can join us.

Year 6 - Standon Bowers

We are delighted to announce that our Year 6 children will have the opportunity to take part in a residential visit to Standon Bowers from **Monday 8th March to Friday 12th March 2027.**

This exciting trip will include a wide range of activities and all meals. Transport will be provided by the school.

A deposit of £50.00 was required by **Monday 19th October 2026** to secure your child's place. Payments can be made via ParentPay, starting from as little as £5.00 upwards.

The full payment must be received by **Monday 1st March 2027.**

If your child does not intend to go, you needed to inform the school office by **19th October 2026.**

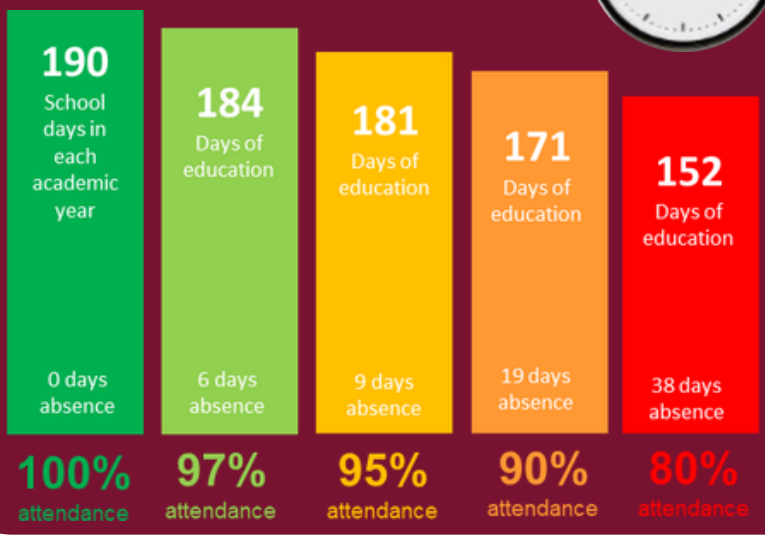
This promises to be a fantastic experience for our Year 6 pupils, and we hope all children will be able to take part.

AWARDS

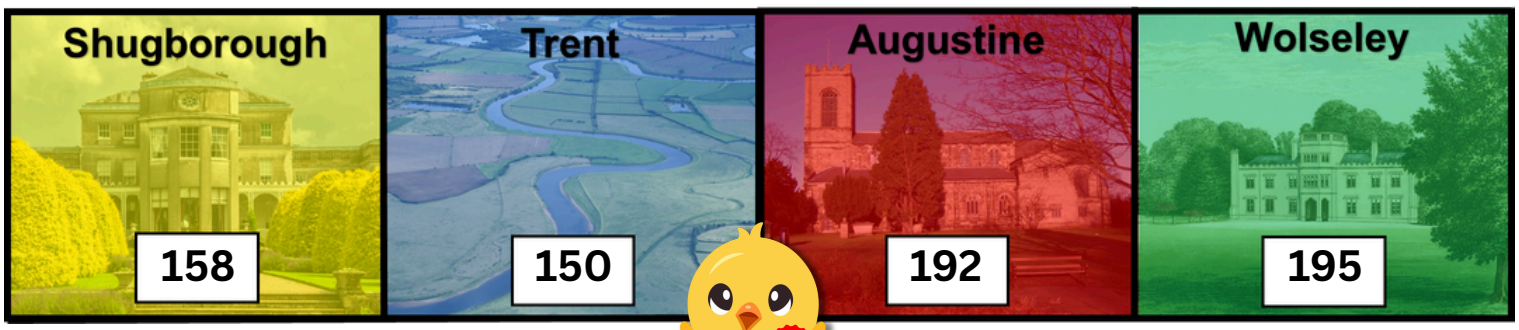
	Stars	Warriors
Reception	Marley & Fleur	Liam
Year 1	Indie & Kolbey	Lucas
Year 2	Chloe & Gracie	Ella
Year 3	Arthur & Ivy	Woody
Year 4	Hallie & Thea M	Teddy
Year 5	Sylvie & Samuel	Marnie
Year 6	Carter & Woody	Harrison

Arrive On Time At Ten To Nine
Make Every Minute Count





1st	Kingfishers
2nd	Owls
3rd	Eagles
4th	Robins
5th	Kestrels
6th	Toucans
7th	Chaffinches





Recommended Reads - EYFS & KS1

Nursery



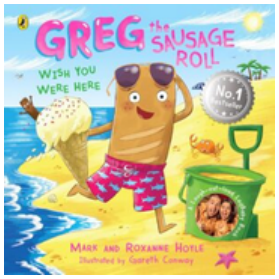
Knock Knock Superhero by Caryl Hart
Pasta Man has run out of Pasta Power. . . Can our young hero help him to get his powers back and defeat evil Madame Chilli, who wants to rule the world with lashings of chilli sauce?
With action-packed adventure and bright, detailed artwork, this is the ultimate fun-filled counting storybook!

Reception



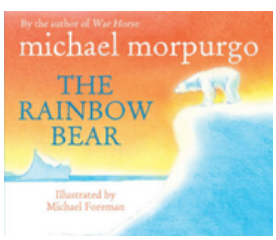
Ten Fat Sausages by Michelle Robinson
This is the story of ten sausages whose plot to escape the frying pan does not go to plan. Children familiar with the rhyme 'Ten Fat Sausages' will appreciate the humorous take on the sausages' fate, knowing that they are meant to go 'pop', 'sizzle' or 'bang' but seeing instead a group of wily sausages who come up with a bid for freedom instead. From incidents with ceiling fans and blenders to encounters with family cats, the sausages' funny attempts to escape lead to their downfall.

Year 1



Greg The Sausage Roll by Mark and Roxanne Hoyle
Sun's out, crumbs out – Greg the Sausage Roll is SO EXCITED to be jetting off on his first-ever holiday! He's ready to hop on a plane to paradise for some FUN IN THE SUN! Karaoke, splashing in the pool, ice cream – Greg's ready to try it all and have the BEST HOLIDAY EVER!
But will he miss his sausage-roll sweetheart, Gloria, and all his friends back at the bakery?

Year 2



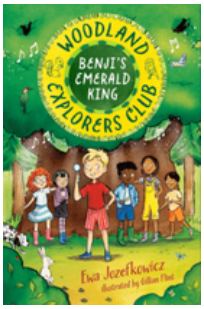
The Rainbow Bear by Michael Morpurgo
The polar bear is bored of his white environment and his hard life. He dreams of soaking himself in all the luminous colours of the rainbow. But when his wish is granted, he realises to his cost that his arctic camouflage no longer works and he needs the advice of others to escape his prism...
A moving tale of hopes and dreams from an award-winning picture book team. The lyrical text is complemented by beautiful watercolours in which the joy and pain of the Rainbow Bear sing out.





Recommended Reads - KS2

Year 3

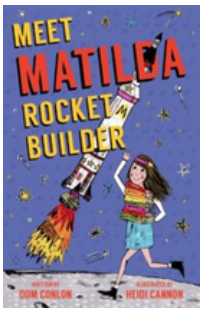


Benji's Emerald King by Ewa Jozefkowicz

In Willow Wish Woods stands the ancient Emerald King. It is the tallest tree in the forest and there's something special about it. Something magic...

Benji, Shyla, Ajay, Trix, Fujiko and Eric discover its branches are damaged. Who could have hurt the tree, and why? The stream, the Tadpole Run, is full of rubbish, and there's not a frog in sight. The friends decide to form the Woodland Explorers Club. Their mission is to solve the mystery of the Emerald King, protect the animals of Willow Wish Woods and bring the magic of the forest back to life.

Year 4



Meet Matilda Rocket Builder by Dom Conlon

Going to the Moon is SO last century, so how difficult can it be—even for a ten-year-old—to follow in the footsteps of Neil Armstrong and the Apollo astronauts? Meet Matilda, the girl who'll give it her best shot to learn everything she needs to learn in order to get there herself. From how to pee in zero-g to why pizzas won't take you up and up away, this is science for the curious!

Told as a journey of discovery, it's full of easy-to-understand facts about air pressure, escape velocities, coding, and falling around the Earth, in a way which will inspire the next generation of moon walkers.

Year 5

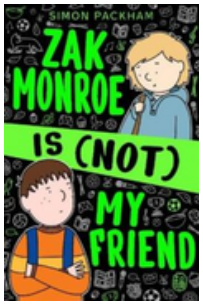


The House With Chicken Legs by Sophie Anderson

Marinka dreams of a normal life, where her house stays in one place long enough for her to make friends. But her house has chicken legs and moves on without warning.

For Marinka's grandmother is Baba Yaga, who guides spirits between this world and the next. Marinka longs to change her destiny and sets out to break free from her grandmother's footsteps, but her house has other ideas...

Year 6



Zak Monroe is (Not) My Friend by Simon Packham

Sam has been best friends with Cal, Fin and Jay for EVER. They're all about to move up to a new school together – scary but exciting.

But then he overhears them saying they're not going to put him on their Friends Lists! So Sam will be stuck in a different tutor group with a lot of kids he doesn't know. Help!

How can Sam convince them to change their minds?

Can he keep on hiding his new friendship with 'weird' new boy Zak Monroe?

And what will happen when these two sides of Sam's life collide?



Safeguarding

Our most important role at Chancel is keeping the children safe and protecting them from potential harm. Safeguarding the children is everyone's responsibility and is best achieved through working in partnership as a school community.

The safeguarding staff at Chancel are:

- ***Mrs Palmer - Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)***
- ***Mrs Watson and Mr Newton- Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSLs)***
- ***Mr Atkinson- Safeguarding Governor***
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If you are worried about a child's well-being or believe they may be at risk of harm, you should report this concern to school, either by personal visit, email or telephone. You can also contact:

- ***Staffordshire Families Integrated Front Door (SFIFD) - 0300 111 8007***
- ***Staffordshire Police - 101 or 999***

If you are contacted by staff about a safeguarding concern, please do not be offended. We are sure you would rather we take every precaution to ensure the children's safety. We are also here to support you, should you have any concerns or difficulties.

50 Years Family Rights Group

Our vision is a society in which children can thrive in their families, and have loving relationships to turn to throughout life.

Our mission is to ensure that the child welfare and family justice system supports children to live safely and thrive within their family, while strengthening the family and community ties of those children who cannot live at home.

We do this through advice and advocacy, pioneering family-led solutions, championing kinship care, and amplifying family voices.



If a parent is struggling, they may feel unsure about how to find help and support. Where children's services become involved, parents can feel worried about what this will mean for them and their child.

Our parents pages aim to help you find the information and advice you need.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about DOXING

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Doxing, or 'doxxing' (short for 'dropping documents'), is when someone's personal information is shared without their consent. This could include their phone number, home address, place of work or study, or sensitive information about their family, health, or other private matters. According to Ofcom, 5% of UK 13- to 17-year-olds say they've seen or experienced doxing online. It's often a malicious act and, depending on the circumstances, may be a crime.

REPEAT OR MULTIPLE ATTACKS

Doxing is rarely a one-off incident. Information may be shared across multiple sites or groups, meaning an instance of doxing can escalate quickly. Some victims experience targeted, coordinated campaigns instigated by several people at once, which can feel overwhelming. Even when the information is successfully removed from online platforms, it may reappear on different accounts or sites, making it difficult to escape repeated harassment.

CAMPAIGNS OF CONTROL

Doxing, or the threat of it, can be used to manipulate and control victims. It's a known tactic used by cybercriminals to exploit young people online and can also be used to punish or control victims of domestic abuse. Blackmail, threats, harassment, stalking, and coercive control can constitute criminal offences, so incidents may need to be reported to the police.

MENTAL HEALTH IMPACTS

Doxing is linked to mental health risks, including stress, depression, and anxiety. Having sensitive personal information exposed online can feel violating, leaving victims feeling powerless. Doxing can also be seen as an 'invitation' for others to harass or 'pile on' to a target, making them feel increasingly vulnerable. Victims may need support and safe spaces to discuss the impact of a doxing campaign on their wellbeing.

UNEQUAL IMPACTS

Doxing can disproportionately affect those who are already marginalised, including women and girls, racially minoritised groups, LGBTQ+ people, those with disabilities or health conditions, and people from lower socioeconomic backgrounds. While anyone can be a victim, research shows that women are more likely to experience image-based or sexualised harassment and online 'mobbing' alongside doxing. One study found that 10% of young women aged 16 to 24 reported being doxed.

OFFLINE RISKS

When doxing reveals someone's location or address, it can put them at risk of offline harm or harassment. Victims may face vandalism, unwanted contact from strangers, being recorded or followed, or receiving items they did not ask for. Others living with them, such as family members, may also be at risk. Limiting the personal information available online can help reduce exposure, while harassment can be reported to the police.

CRIMINAL CONSEQUENCES

There are risks for those who take part in doxing, too. Under UK law, teenagers have been prosecuted for targeting other young people online. 'Swatting', which involves making false emergency reports to trigger an armed police response, is also linked to doxing and can be a criminal offence. Hacking into others' online accounts is illegal, too. Young people need to understand what constitutes a crime online and where to seek advice.

Advice for Parents & Educators

KNOW THE LAW

Doxing sometimes overlaps with criminal offences, including hacking, harassment, stalking, threats, coercive control, exploitation, blackmail, and image-based abuse. Depending on the circumstances, some victims may also have grounds to bring legal action against the misuse of their private information. Make sure that young people understand the potential legal consequences, both as victims and perpetrators, and contact the police about any suspected criminal activity.

ACT SWIFTLY

If a child or young person has experienced doxing, take it seriously and act quickly. Keep a record of the posts and accounts involved, report the doxing content to the platform, and consider whether temporarily limiting account activity could help. Seek advice from online safety organisations such as Internet Matters or CEOP and report any criminal activity to the police. In educational settings, follow safeguarding procedures. Signpost young people to Childline or The Mix for confidential support.

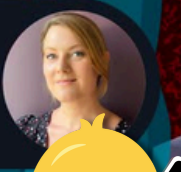
EXPLORE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Talk through the various digital privacy and security settings available online with young people. Show them how to make their accounts private, limit who can see their posts or contact them, and manage any location sharing settings. Encourage them to review these settings regularly, particularly when joining new platforms, to help them stay in control of their personal information and reduce the risk of being doxed.

TALK INFORMATION SECURITY

Doxing becomes easier when a person's information security is weaker. Ask young people what might be unsafe or compromise their privacy when posting content publicly online. Parents and educators should likewise be cautious about what they share and should try to model good cybersecurity habits, such as updating their passwords and using two-factor authentication.

Meet Our Expert



Dr. Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading UK expert in media law, online safety and young people. Her PhD investigates youth understandings of criminal and legal risks in a digital context. She works in schools to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal, and ethical considerations of rapidly advancing technologies.

See full reference list on our website

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SEND & inclusion

Any questions or concerns regarding Special Educational Needs or Disabilities?
Please speak to our SENDCo, Miss Miller, or drop-in to see Mrs Palmer on Friday mornings between 9.15-9.45am.



Menu

Week 3					
	Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
Main Option	Chicken and broccoli and cheese pasta with garlic bread, peas and sweetcorn	Beefburger pizza with potato bites and mixed vegetables	Roast chicken served with roast potatoes, fresh seasonal vegetables and gravy	Chilli con carne with rice, nachos and sweetcorn	Chicken nuggets and chips served with chips and beans or peas
Vegetarian Option	Cheese and tomato pasta with garlic bread, peas and sweetcorn	Margherita pizza served with potato bites, beans or vegetables	Quorn roast served with roast potatoes, fresh vegetables and gravy	Vegetable chilli con carne with rice, nachos and sweetcorn	Cheese and bean wrap served with chips and beans or peas
Pudding	Chocolate cornflake cake	Orange sponge and custard	Strawberry swirl cheesecake	Donuts and fresh fruit	Crispy cookie
Available Daily					
Jacket Potato with fillings: tuna, cheese or baked beans. Sandwich or bap with fillings: ham, tuna or cheese Fresh bread, salad, fruit, milk & yoghurt					



Positive Global Citizen

What is a positive global citizen?

A positive global citizen is someone who actively contributes to making the world a better, more equitable, and sustainable place, recognising their role within the global community. This means being aware of global issues, respecting cultural differences, and taking responsible actions that benefit people and the planet.

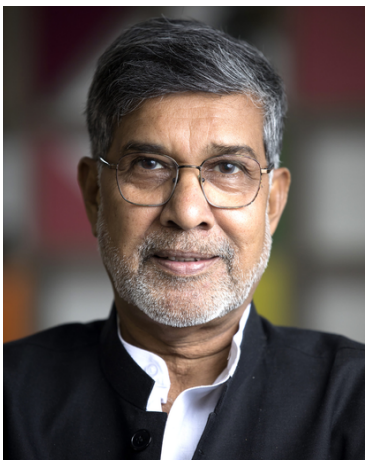
Key qualities of a positive global citizen:

- **Awareness:** Understands global issues like poverty, climate change, human rights, and inequality.
- **Empathy and Respect:** Appreciates diverse cultures, beliefs, and perspectives.
- **Responsibility:** Recognises how personal choices (e.g., consumption, travel, communication) impact others globally.
- **Action-Oriented:** Engages in activities that support positive change—volunteering, ethical consumerism, advocacy, or education.
- **Collaboration:** Works with others, across borders and cultures, to solve shared problems.
- **Sustainability-Minded:** Supports practices and policies that protect the environment and promote long-term well-being for all.

Examples of positive global citizenship:

- Donating to or volunteering with organisations addressing global issues.
- Reducing carbon footprint and supporting sustainable brands.
- Speaking out against injustice or discrimination.
- Learning about and celebrating cultures different from your own.





Kailash Satyarthi

Kailash Satyarthi is a children's rights activist from India who has spent his life working to make sure that all children can grow up safe, educated, and free. He has helped rescue thousands of children from dangerous work and supported families so their children can go to school instead.

He founded organisations that protect young people and teach communities about the importance of education, safety, and fairness. His bravery and compassion earned him the Nobel Peace Prize, which he shared with Malala Yousafzai.

Kailash shows us that being a global citizen means standing up for those who need help and believing that every child deserves a bright future.

Meet The Teaching Team



Mrs Allerton | Miss Jones | Mrs Wakelam | Mr Leese



Miss Miller | Mr Wincup | Mrs Watson | Mr Newton | Mrs Gamble

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