



# Fulfen Newsletter

Leading the way to a brighter future

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## Foreword

This has to be one of my favourite times of the year with so much going on –it is wonderful to hear the children using our extensive school grounds now that the weather allows. Do take the time to look through our newsletter and enjoy watching some of the videos created by our children.

I'm currently in Paris with most of our Year 6 children, who put an exceptional amount of effort into their SATs tests last week. You can catch up with what we're doing on our Facebook page and we'll be sure to share some photos in our next newsletter.

After half term, we've got lots to look forwards to. There are several school trips, discos, sports days and, of course, our STEAM week, where our pupils will have many experiences to broaden and enrich their education. I'm looking forward to seeing the entries to our STEAM home project, which need to be brought in on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June, at the start of our special week. Further details on this were emailed out to parents last week.

I hope everyone enjoys the half term break and we'll see everyone on TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June after our INSET day on the Monday.



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# Stars of the week!

Dante Ekee, Kailen key, Hartley Shenston, Ella Scott, Oliver Bradbury, Mia Mountford, Chester Rogers, Teddy Douglas, Ellis Leighton, Ada Legood, Lucy Young, Ayvie Butterworth, Nathan Odejimi, Amaiah Seedhouse, Freddie Meakin, Jack Faircloth, Maddison Taylor, Ella Eaton, Paige Ranger, Archie Collier, Iris Corfield, Isaac Deane, Fynn Pitcher, Hunter Smith, Elsie Geens, Hunter Smith, Sam Mok, Eleanor Jackson, Orla Haigh, Sienna Long,

Harriet Soetendal, Izaak Johnson-Cashmore, Maya Cockayne, Riley Brookes, Sebastian Lodge, Jack McGeown, Ollie Manning, Amelia Adams, Nancy Upton, Siena Milligan, Henry Roberts, Bodhi King, Marla Lewis, Olivia Freeman, Olivia Beadle, Richie Nijjar, Corbyn Seedhouse, Jimmy Drennon, Alfie Harris, Lillie Owen, Esmae Gorman, Rose Meunier, Jaxon Wright, William Fry, Finley Plimmer, Adam Aydi, Ava Stone, Maisy Moore, Evie Vale, Emilie Rhodes, Elliot Gibson Collins, Emilia Wright, Kellan Anderson, Oscar James,

Jessica Watson, Holly Newmar, David Stefan, Thea Bynt, Ruby Long, Tilly Lightfoot, Sophia Millington, Milly Scandrett, Callum Tweddle, Ellie Warner, Cameron Jenkins, Lyv Gorman, Gethin Smith, Louis Lovett, Freddie Irons, Jasper Mansell, Freya Spears, Zach Pitcher, Alfie Compton, Molly Beadle, Stanley Sayer, Billy Taylor, Daisy Goldsmith, Evie Hackett, Emillie Fry, Jack Trickett, Oliver Benton, Evan Kainth, Hollie Edwards, Jacob Cattell, All of 6FH, Elliot, Richie, Veronica Cooper, Harry Jarvis, Richie Cook, Elliot Wickes

## Love of Learning...

- dream big, have a thirst for learning and achieve your ambitions...

## Encouraging...

- to be supportive of yourself and others and value everyone's ideas...

## Adaptable...

- being versatile, creative and being prepared to take risks...

## Determination...

- being resilient when the going gets tough...

## Are you following us on Facebook yet?

Our Facebook page is brimming with photos and news of what's going on in school each day. If you haven't already, please take the time to follow our [page](#) so you can see what we're getting up to and catch a glimpse of your child in action! You can also share this with other members of the family so they can follow our successes.

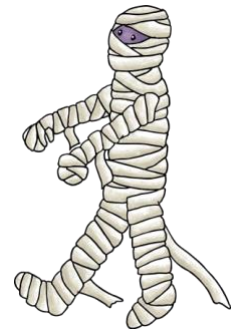
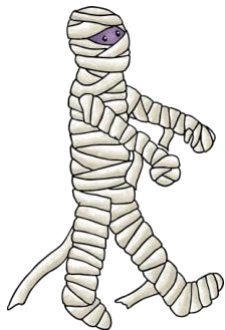
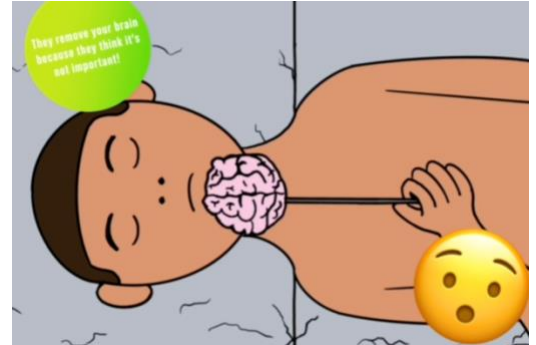
You can also see our latest Facebook feed at the bottom of the home page of our website and, if you want more information about our exciting Enrichment opportunities, look at our [Enrichment page](#) in the parents' section of our website.



# Celebrations - what we've been up to

## Mummification Mayhem!

Year 4 children have been learning all about the mummification process during their Ancient Egypt topic and have made these fabulous videos to explain what happens. Click on the images to watch the videos created by David, Jessica and Thea:



## Did you know?

Parts of our newsletter are interactive! Try tapping on the images above to watch the videos.



## Have you *BEEn* on ParentPay and donated yet?

Here is our amazing display showing our how grateful we are for all the donations to our garden fund. Each bee represents a donation made to our garden and polytunnel fund.

We still have bees available if anyone wants to make a donation, please visit our ParentPay page. Thank you to everyone who has so far!



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# Celebrations - what we've been up to

## Year 5 Fire Station Trip "Safe & Sound"

We were taught CPR and had experience of using a defibrillator. We also had a talk about rail safety, did an activity from the PCSO about who we wanted to be when we grow up focusing on positive attributes and community characteristics and completed an interactive activity looking for fire hazards in different rooms in the home. What a jam-packed day!

As always, the children behaved impeccably on the walk there and back and while at the fire station. We are grateful to the parental volunteers who spent the day with us to enable the trip to go ahead.



## Year 5 Science Experiment

Year 5 have been planning and carrying out their own investigations on different drinks to compare their explosion size in an investigation they designed themselves. They measured how much drink was left. They discovered that diet coke is the most explosive! This is what the children thought:

*"It was a good explosion for the size of the bottles but some didn't explode as high as others."* Cameron

*"We came up with our own experiments to test our theories. We thought that the more sugar the more the explosion but the opposite was true!"* Maisie



# Celebrations - what we've been up to

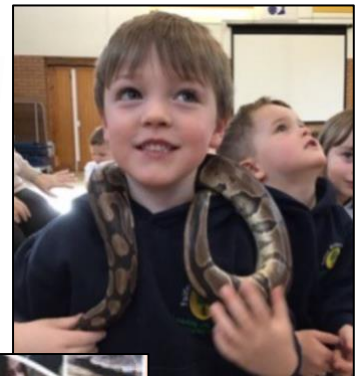
## Augmented Reality Rooms

Year 5 have been creating their own rooms in Augmented Reality and then walking around them to explore and show off what they've made! Click on the images below to see the rooms with a video walk-around tour of them that Isla, Gethin, Ellie and Cameron have made:



## Animal Man Visit

Pre-School were extremely lucky to have had the animal man visit! All the children were so brave and got to experience a variety of exotic animals. The animal man brought a frog, snake, gecko, lizard, owl and a tarantula! The children were incredible!



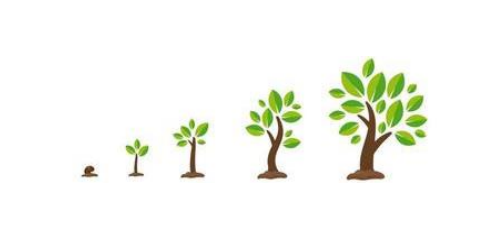


# Celebrations - what we've been up to

## Garden Update!

Our gardening club are loving the sunshine we've been having! They have been really busy planting potatoes, leeks, onions, garlic, a variety of bedding plants, sweet peas, sunflowers and sweetcorn.

They have also all designed and made their own bird scarers to keep the birds from eating their newly planted seeds.



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# Celebrations - what we've been up to

## Football News

Year 6 played the very first game of the season away at Willows Primary school. In a hard-fought contest, Fulfen were able to battle their way to a 1-0 victory - Well done boys!!



During their second game versus Greybrooke, Fulfen had a commanding first half, finding themselves 3-0 up by half time. A much more keenly contested second half proved a tougher challenge. However, Fulfen came out on top with a final score of 3-1.

Two games – two wins! we have high hopes for a good league season ahead and we wish our Year 5/6 team all the best as they have fixtures against Charnwood, Whittington and Ridgeway over the next few weeks!



## Fundraising Success!

Isabelle has successfully raised £150 for the Little Princess Trust who donate 'real hair wigs' to children and young people who have lost their hair due to cancer treatment or other conditions. Isabelle has been growing her hair for five years so that she could have it cut to donate to this fantastic charity.

Well done Isabelle – this is such a worthy cause!





# Sports Day 2024

## Wednesday 26th June

Please make sure you bring some pennies with you as we have some fantastic prizes up for grabs (£1 per strip) including: family of 4 ticket to Hockerhill Adventure Playbarn in Brewood, family of 4 ticket to watch Hednesford Town FC at any home league game of your choice, Euro top, 1 month's worth of kick-boxing classes at EHMAA, 1 month's worth of karate classes at UAK (Mr Broadhead's club), £10 voucher to spend at Cigno, a celebration cake donated by Morrisons, car valeting kit and many more prizes!

You will be able to purchase tickets from 10am onwards. Prizes will be drawn at the end of the day.



When? Time?

### Wednesday 26th June:

- Year 1, 2 and 3 at 10:15 (gates will open at 10:00)
- Year 4, 5 and 6 at 1:15 (gates will open at 1:00)

### Thursday 27th June:

- Early Years at 9:15-10:15
- Preschool at 10:30-11:30

Please bring either a deck-chair or a picnic blanket.

### Picnic Invitation...

This year, you are invited to stay and have a picnic with your child on Wednesday 26th June (between the two Sports Day events).

- Where? On the school field.
- When? Wednesday 26th June 12 - 1
- Details- If you are watching the morning Sports Day (Y1-3), then you can remain on the school field, if you are watching the afternoon Sports Day (Y4-6), then please arrive at 12 o'clock, when the gates will be opened.





# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Online Safety – Roblox – it's for little kids, right?

Roblox is a very popular video game and houses many appropriate games and opportunities for creative thinking from its users.

However, parents need to be aware that Roblox encourages players to communicate online with a group chat facility. The game is hosted on public servers – so your child could be playing and communicating with anyone on any topic.

National Online Safety give the following advice to parents:

### SET PARENTAL CONTROLS

Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to enter the correct date of birth for your child, as that allows Roblox to automatically apply the appropriate chat filters. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

### DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING

Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

### DEALING WITH STRANGERS

At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should *never* tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with others safely in the digital world.

## Extra-Curricular Clubs next half term:

Our popular after school clubs next half term will be:

Monday – Art Club – Y1/2

Monday – Rounders – Y5/6

Tuesday – Cricket – Y3/4

Wednesday – Basketball – Y1/2

Wednesday – Forest Club – Y1/2

Monday (lunchtime) – Little Voices – Y1/2/3

Monday (lunchtime) – Nature Club – Y1/2

Enjoy!



# Useful Information & what's coming up

## End of Day Reminder – ALL children

Once children have been dismissed by a member of staff, they are **your** responsibility.



When you are on your way in and out of school, can we please kindly remind you that pupils (and their siblings) should not be using any of the school resources within the school grounds.

This includes the bikes, trikes and outdoor resources (such as balls) in the Early Years area and climbing on the tyres. It may seem tempting, but please ensure that, for their safety, they do not attempt to play or tamper with any of these resources. Thank you.

## Can you help raise money for our school funds?

School funds are vital now more than ever. Did you know that you can support our school from the comfort of your own home **at no cost to yourself**? There are thousands of online brands (including Morrisons, Screwfix, Just Eat, Etsy, Shein and many more) that will make a small 'thank you' donation to our school EVERY time you shop online and use easyfundraising.

This is FREE, EASY and QUICK and we ask for you to take 2 minutes to register as every little really does help.

All you need to do is:

- 1) Download the easyfundraising app: [for apple](#) or [for android](#).
- 2) Search for the cause: Fulfen Primary School
- 3) Set up your profile
- 4) "Enable Donation Reminder" so that you don't miss the opportunity to donate.



Then, every time you go on a website that participates, you'll get an automatic pop-up for you to confirm a donation with no extra effort from yourself other than a tap of a button.

So far, we have raised an amazing £549.48 with just 54 contributors through this method – imagine how much we'd get if all our parents signed up! Every little helps, so please encourage your family to sign up!





# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Attendance Awareness!

At Fulfen Primary School we recognise that positive behaviour, arriving at school on time and good attendance are central to raising standards of pupil attainment and ensuring that your child reaches their full potential.

For all the children to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly and be at school on time every day the school is open, unless the reason is unavoidable. Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence will seriously affect their learning as this table shows:

Level of Attendance	Threshold Attendance	Days Attended School	Whole Days Absent	Learning Hours Lost
Excellent	100%	190	0	0
	99%	188	2	10
Good	98%	186	4	20
	97%	184	6	30
Satisfactory	96%	182.5	7.5	37.5
Cause for Concern	95%	180.5	9.5	47.5
	94%	179	11	55
	93%	177	13	65
	92%	175	15	75
Unsatisfactory	91%	173	17	85
Serious Cause for Concern	90%	171	19	95
	89%	169	21	105
	88%	167	23	115
	87%	165	25	125
	86%	163	27	135
Critical	85%	161.5	28.5	142.5
	84%	159.5	30.5	152.5
	83%	158	32	160
	82%	156	34	170
	81%	154	36	180
	80%	152	38	190



# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Staffordshire Child Death Prevention Newsletter



### Child Death Prevention Newsletter



This newsletter is designed to raise awareness of the work of the Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) and to bring news on our ongoing campaigns



Child Safety Week is the Child Accident Prevention Trust's (CAPT) annual community education campaign, acting as a catalyst for thousands of safety conversations and activities UK-wide.

CAPT help families build confidence and skills in managing the real risks to children's safety, wanting all children to have the freedom to grow and learn, safe from serious harm.

This year's theme is

# Safety. Sorted!

Sign up for free resources at [Child Safety Week | Child Accident Prevention Trust \(capt.org.uk\)](https://www.capt.org.uk)

## Free from falls

*"A preventable accident ends up with a shattered family. And that's just very tragic."*

Paediatric Neurologist (a doctor who specialises in child brain injury)

Scrapes and bruises are a part of growing up. But even a fall from a highchair can cause a bad head injury. That's because babies' heads are much heavier than their bodies, which makes them top-heavy. And when they land, their head takes much of the impact. Stop serious falls....



### Windows – what's that I can see?

Small children are curious, but have no real understanding of danger.

- Do not put furniture in front of windows, especially in children's rooms
- Get safety catches or locks fitted if you can



### Cots, beds and changing tables

- Even small babies can wriggle off beds and changing tables, so change nappies on the floor
- Remove toys from cots so your baby can't stand on them to get out of the cot

Child Safety Week June 2024



# Child Safety Week

3 - 9 June 2024

## Watch out in water



*“This has highlighted the dangers posed when a child is left unsupervised for a short period of time and even in the shallowest of water.”*

Coroner's report, bath seat drowning of 7-month-old

Drowning happens silently. A drowning child can't speak or control their arms. They slip quietly under the water. It's only in the movies they splash about and cry for help.



### Babies and small children

Get everything you need ready before bath time. Stay with your baby or child all the time they are in the bath.

- Don't rely on siblings to keep an eye on each other, they are too young to understand the danger.



### Out and about

- Teach older children to choose safe places to swim like public pools and beaches with lifeguards.
- Explain the dangers of swimming in open water, including strong currents, deep, cold water and things under the surface they can't see.
- Empty the paddling pool out after you've used it.
- Turn a pond into a sandpit, or fence it in or cover it while your children are little
- Make sure your child can't get to the neighbour's pond.
- Be alert to ponds, pools or hot tubs when visiting other people's homes.

## Safe around roads



*“One act of bad driving robbed the world of a beautiful, intelligent and caring young person. Our lives have been turned upside down by our daughter's death.”*

Bereaved Dad whose daughter was killed in a car accident

It can be hard knowing how best to teach your child to stay safe. Go to [Child Safety Week | Child Accident Prevention Trust \(capt.org.uk\)](https://www.childsafetyweek.org.uk) for simple advice for pedestrians, travelling in the car, cycling and driving.

# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Mobile Phone Reminder

As we have had a number of incidents with children using their mobile phones on school property, we want to remind families that mobile phones may be brought to school, but must be handed in to teachers on entering the classroom. Mobile phones should remain in school bags/pockets whilst on the school grounds (other than to hand in to the teacher). Should pupils turn their phone on whilst on school property, staff reserve the right to confiscate the device until it can be handed to a parent or responsible adult.



## School Discos

Our summer term discos are on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July:**

Year R/1/2 – 5:00-5:45

Year 3/4/5 – 6:15-7:00

Year 6 – 7:30-8:15



Tickets cost £3 including a drink and can be ordered on ParentPay from Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Please remember that children should not bring a mobile phone and must be collected promptly at the end of the disco. Thank you.

## Feel Good Friday



On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, we will be celebrating our fifth Feel Good Friday to finish this half term.

Our children will be continuing their work on becoming mental health champions with lots of activities. The children are welcome to come in non-uniform on this day (for no charge).





# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Half Term Tennis Camps

**MicroSports**

CAMPS

### LICHFIELD FRIARY TENNIS CLUB

DATES: TUESDAY 28TH -  
FRIDAY 31ST MAY

TIME: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

AGES: 4 - 12 \*

FEE: £17 PER DAY OR

£62 4 DAYS

(NON MEMBERS)

\*CAMPS AVAILABLE FOR PLAYERS OLDER  
THAN 12

Book before Sunday 5th May and  
recieve a FREE day in Summer

CHARLOTTE@MICRO-SPORTS.CO.UK



**MicroSports**

CAMPS

### BEACON PARK TENNIS COURTS

DATES: TUESDAY 28TH -  
FRIDAY 31ST MAY

TIME: 10AM - 12PM

AGES: 4 - 16

FEE: £11 PER DAY OR

£40 4 DAYS

Book before Sunday 5th May and  
recieve a FREE day in Summer

TOM@MICRO-SPORTS.CO.UK



If you use the code SCHOOLSFESTIVAL you also receive 10% off your bookings.

#### **Lichfield Friary Tennis Club**

Dates: Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st May

Time: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Ages: 4 - 12\*

<https://www.microsportsltd.co.uk/lichfield-friary-lawn-tennis-club/p/lichfield-whitsun-camp-core-programme>

For more information please email [charlotte@micro-sports.co.uk](mailto:charlotte@micro-sports.co.uk)

\*Sessions available in the afternoon for players aged 13+

#### **Beacon Park Courts**

Dates: Tuesday 28th - Friday 31st May

Time: 10am - 12pm

Ages: 5 - 16

<https://www.microsportsltd.co.uk/beacon-park-camps/p/beacon-park-tennis-camp-whitsun>

For more information please email [Tom@micro-sports.co.uk](mailto:Tom@micro-sports.co.uk)

# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Roving Book Company

We are really excited to be welcoming The Roving Book Company back into school on **Tuesday 18th June**.

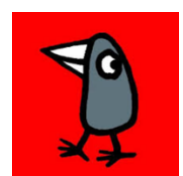
The pop-up book store will have over 3000 books for the children to choose from. During the day, KS1 and KS2 children will be given the chance to go and buy a book(s) themselves, and will be helped and advised by their teachers and the staff from the Roving Bookshop.

Over the coming weeks, the children will be given a flyer with an attached envelope. The envelope can be used for cash purchases and handed in to your child's class teacher. It's worth knowing that on the back of the flyer there is a coupon. Completed coupons are put into a prize draw which is drawn at the end of the school day. The winning prize is a FREE book to be chosen from the pop-up bookshop!

Pre-School and Reception children and their families are invited to attend with a parent/carer straight after school once they've been collected from their classrooms. Any pre-school or reception children who attend 'Fulfen Club' will be supported in attending the bookshop during the school day.

The store will be open until 4pm, so you can pop in after school too. The company accept cash, debit and credit cards.

The Roving Bookshop will only be at Fulfen for one day, so please do not miss out on this great opportunity to buy a book for your child.





# Useful Information & what's coming up

## Dates for your diary

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Feel Good Friday (non-uniform)

w/c 27<sup>th</sup> May HALF TERM – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – **INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**

Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June – Fri 7<sup>th</sup> – Y5 Residential – Laches Wood

w/c 10<sup>th</sup> June – STEAM WEEK

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 WWII Day

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 Base Camp

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Roving Book Company

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Open Evening for Parents 3:45pm-6pm

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Rags to Riches collection

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day: Y1-3 (am) & Y4-6 (pm)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June – EYFS Sports Day (am)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 – Alton Towers Trip

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Year 2 Trip to Botanical Gardens

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 4 Trip to Sculpture Park

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Whole School Transition Day

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers' Production 2pm

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – School Discos

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Y3 Trip to Conkers

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Open Garden Afternoon (after school)

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Leavers' Production 7pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Feel Good Friday (non-uniform)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Reception – Magical Mahem

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers' assembly 9:30am

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – **INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – SUMMER HOLIDAY

