



Fulfen Newsletter

Leading the way to a brighter future

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Foreword

We've got so much going on in school at the moment – there's barely enough room in the newsletter to contain everything!

I look forward to seeing you all at our Sports Day extravaganza, where the children will be taking part in track and field events to earn points for their team so they can earn a day of non-school uniform on Friday. The weather is looking good, so do remember sun hats and sun cream and ensure your child has their water bottle with them. Our map of the field included in the newsletter shows you where the events are taking place and children in Years 1-6 should be able to tell you whether they are doing track or field first. I'm really looking forward to our Welly-Wanging event!

With lots more celebrations ahead of us, I'm sure the children are as excited as I am for the last few weeks of school.

I do hope to see you all with your children joining us for our garden party on 10th July to help celebrate our wonderful gardens that Mrs Steele and the gardening team have been working so hard on.



Love of Learning... Encouraging... Adaptable... Determination...

Stars of the week!

George Lyndon, Ava Aydi, Oliver MacGregor-Ivers, Evelyn Henaughan, Luca Irons, Rosie Jennings, Leo Read, Charlotte Pearce, Kayla Fiddler, Theo Thorpe, Ellis Leighton, Holly Scandrett, Harvey Harrington, Trixie Sayer, Ted Worrall, Ella Eaton, Ivar Handley, Pippa Madeley, Arthur O'Neill, Freddie Yeates,

Harley Jones, All of 2K, Max O'Farrell, Harriet Cooper, Amelia Adams, Jaxon Munday, Whole Class, Skye Thomas, Zach Edwards, Noah Doherty, Nyaa Matthews, Theo Roberts, Lottie Lightfoot, Evie Poxon, Thomas Watton, Tommy Derry, Edward Shortman, Tommy Holmes, Billy Berry, Lily Vale, Sky Webster, Freya Phillips, Elliot Gibson-Collins,

Callum Murray-Ferris, Sarayah Dingle, All of 4B, Jake Hathaway-Osborne, Oliver Jarvis, Milly Scandrett, Roman Polyviou, Harrison Delamont, Florence Allcutt, Arthur Corfield, Eva-Marie Goodall, Ella Woodward, 5G, Sophie Austin, Gethin Smith, Sienna Darnley, 5M, Libby Cullum, William Smith, Leland Barber, Riley Witcomb

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

Macbeth Performance Poetry

Year 5 have been getting creative again using green screen and creating videos with animations! This time, they've been performing William Shakespeare's Double, Double Toil and Trouble from Macbeth. Click on the images below to see some of their performances:



Did you know?

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



Wildlife Cam

Our computing subject ambassadors have been deciding where to position our new motion-sensor cameras so we can capture video footage of any wildlife visitors to our forest and garden areas!

Our lovely chickens are enjoying performing for the camera – but we wonder what else we will find?! Look out in the next issue of our newsletter to see what we've found!



Celebrations - what we've been up to

Year 2 Focus

Year 2 have been learning to play the glockenspiel in their music lessons! They have worked really well in teams to be videographers and musicians when playing their instruments. All the children have thoroughly enjoyed playing 'London's Burning' and 'Zootime' on the glockenspiel!



In Design & Technology, they have wowed us with their excellent pizza making skills! They thought carefully about their designs, created shopping lists for their additional toppings and constructed their pizzas to perfection! The pizzas smelt delicious and tempted the whole of Key Stage One as the aroma wafted around the corridors. The children would like to say a huge thank you to the kitchen for helping them on their pizza making mission.

Finally, just before half term, Year 2 had a fantastic 'Feel Good Friday' exploring strategies to calm their mind when we feel big emotions. The children practised using breathing techniques which are now a feature of our Rainbow Room which is a safe space for pupils to connect with their emotions, understand them and select the best technique to use! Year 2 also enjoyed learning about 'gratitude' and shared things that they are grateful for.



Celebrations - what we've been up to

Visit from the Police - it's OK we weren't in trouble!

As part of our STEAM week, we had the police in to work with Pre-School and years 3, 4 and 5. They discussed how their equipment is designed specifically to be helpful and how it's different to normal cars etc. Children got a chance to try on police uniforms and use metal detectors, walkie-talkies and shields. They also had the chance to sit in the front of a police car and the back of the riot van (including Miss Davies!)



Y6 pupil climbs Snowdon to raise money for his team

Evan and his fellow football team members from Chasetown FC have managed to climb Snowdon to raise money for their team. They made it up and down in under 7 hours and raised over £1500 – well done on this achievement boys!



Celebrations - what we've been up to

Computing Opportunity

During our STEAM week, Year 5 and 6 visited Chase Terrace to have a go at some computing on their desktop computers. Here's what the children said about the visit:

"I loved the lesson and they didn't want it to end!"

"It was so much fun trying to move the turtle through the maze."

"It was brilliant. Did you know "computers are stupid!?""

And the teachers:

"We had Mr Cooper who the children really responded to - they were hanging off his every word. They loved trying to get their turtle out of the maze and there was plenty of challenge for anyone who completed tasks."



The staff at Chase Terrace commented on our pupils' exemplary behaviour, manners and enthusiasm.

Year 4 Base Camp

During their "base camp" experience our Year 4 pupils got to put up their own tents, light fires and build their own shelters!



Celebrations - what we've been up to

Residential to Laches Wood

Year 5 had the best time at Laches Wood this year. They did caving, BMXing through the woods, tackled the challenge of jumping from The Tower, completed the crate challenge, built shelters, toasted marshmallows and canoed down the canal. They made their own beds and attempted to keep their dorms tidy! They learnt resilience, team building skills, independence and gained self-confidence. Most importantly we had lots and lots of fun with our friends!!!!



On Yer Bike!

Our Bikeability sessions for our Year 5s have started. During these sessions, the children learn about bike maintenance and how to be safe on the roads. All the children love these sessions and are becoming excellent cyclists!



Useful Information & what's coming up

Our Sports Days are Next Week!

Please remember to send your child with water, sun hats and sun cream!

Key Stage 1 & 2



When? Time?
Wednesday 26th June:

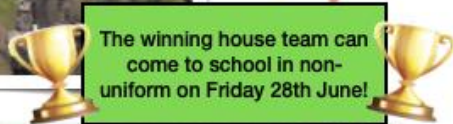
- Year 1, 2 and 3 at 10:15 (gates will open at 10:00)
- Year 4, 5 and 6 at 1:15 (gates will open at 1:00)

Please bring either a deck chair or a picnic blanket.

If your child is having a school dinner, it will be a sandwich option only on this day.



To access toilets, go through KS1 & reception's playground and then through the main entrance.



The winning house team can come to school in non-uniform on Friday 28th June!

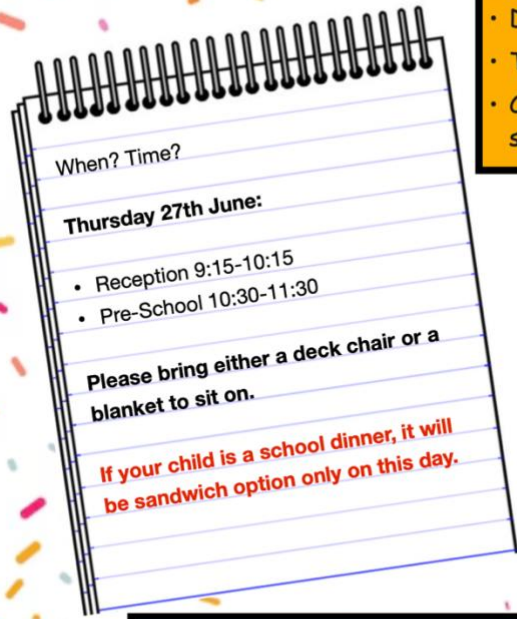


Your child will be told if they are starting on track or field.

Picnic (Y1-Y6)
Please collect your child from the class teachers (KS1 from KS1 playground and KS2 from KS2 playground) before finding a spot in our picnic area at 12pm



Early Years



When? Time?
Thursday 27th June:

- Reception 9:15-10:15
- Pre-School 10:30-11:30

Please bring either a deck chair or a blanket to sit on.

If your child is a school dinner, it will be sandwich option only on this day.

Reception

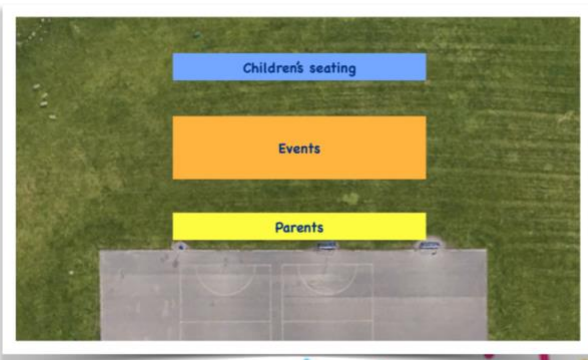
- Drop your child off and make your way over to the field.
- Teachers will take the children in after we have finished.
- Can parents please leave promptly due to Pre-School sports day starting at 10.30am.



Pre-School

- Please don't arrive before 10.15am due to Reception sports day taking place.
- Staff will take children in at the end. Please collect your child from the usual place.

Please Note: Early Years Children will not be joining in the picnic. This is for Years 1-6 only.



Useful Information & what's coming up

You're invited to our Garden Party!

We're incredibly grateful to all the parents who have contributed to supporting our garden project and would love you to come and see it yourself!

We'll be opening our garden to families after school on 10th July. Children from Garden Club will be there to answer questions. We will have:

- A raffle
- Chicken bracelets for sale – only £1.50 each
- Cress Head Making for children
- Plant Sale
- Refreshments table

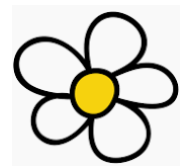
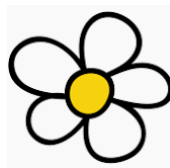
so do bring some pennies to spend!



Thank you to all our sponsors:

- * Burntwood Rotary Club
- * Kingspan Planet Passionate Community Fund
- * Burntwood Town Council CIL Community Fund
- * Kembla Solar Power
- * Tesco Stronger Start
- * Parents & Pupils of Fulfen Primary School
- * Messenger BCR Group

By the time you come, we should have had our solar panels and viewing platform installed.



Please do join us for this celebration of all our hard work.

Useful Information & what's coming up

Transition Day – getting ready to move on

We always ensure that any transitions for our children go as smoothly as possible. Moving to a new class, key stage or even new school can be a daunting time for any child. We have our transition day on Thursday 4th July where all children will get to meet their new class teacher, ready for September. They will no-doubt be completing some fun activities and getting familiar with their new classrooms.

Online Safety – How to support your 4-7 year old

Jessie and Friends is a great resource that parents can use to engage with their younger children about worrying or frightening situations online. When children answer a question correctly they earn a star and can download a certificate to colour in. Jessie and Friends can be found [HERE](#).

Attendance Update

For most pupils, the best place to be during term-time is in school, surrounded by the support of their friends and teachers. This is so important not just for your child's learning, but also for their overall wellbeing, wider development and their mental health.

From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country will be £80 if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days. This rate is in line with inflation and is the first increase since 2012.

In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160. Fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered. If you're prosecuted and attend court because your child hasn't been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500.

Money raised via fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.



Useful Information & what's coming up

RAGS2RICHES Collection Next Week!

The Rags2Riches team are collecting from Fulfen on **Wednesday 26th June**. By bringing in your good quality unwanted clothes and shoes, you will be helping others around the world as well as helping to raise money for our school funds.



Clean and reusable items that can be donated:



If you are unsure what to put in the bags, then **STOP AND THINK - WOULD SOMEONE ELSE BUY & WEAR IT?**

Fulfen gets 40p for every kilo of reusable items, so please bring your donations in before the end of Tuesday 25th June.

School Discos

Our summer term discos are on **Tuesday 9th 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 23rd May. Please remember that children should not bring a mobile phone and must be collected promptly at the end of the disco. Thank you.

Useful Information & what's coming up

Is your child ACTIVE enough?

The Chief Medical Officer promotes 60 minutes of sport or physical activity per day for children. Is your child getting enough? Here are some helpful tips from the National College:

Physical activity isn't only beneficial for our bodies; it also plays a role in promoting mental wellbeing. With both the Euros and the Olympics this summer, it's an opportunity to engage young people in regular exercise which can reduce stress, improve mood and boost self-esteem. Despite these benefits, many children face barriers to participating in physical activity.

1 MAKE IT FUN



Incorporate activities that children enjoy, such as playing games or dancing. Encourage participation in team sports or group activities to foster social connections and a sense of belonging.



2 LEAD BY EXAMPLE



Parents and carers can be positive role models by prioritising their own exercise and involving children in their fitness routines. Gentle walks, bike rides or sports activities can be wonderful opportunities for bonding and staying active together.



3 VARIETY IS KEY



Introduce a selection of physical activities to keep children engaged and prevent boredom. From swimming and cycling to yoga and martial arts, trying different types of exercise can help children to discover what they enjoy most.



4 CREATE OPPORTUNITIES



Provide clear chances for physical activity throughout the day, both indoors and outdoors. Schools can encourage active play during breaks and at lunchtimes, while limiting screen time at home can help keep children up and about.



5 ENJOYMENT OVER COMPETITION



Encourage children to focus on the enjoyment of physical activity rather than winning or achieving perfection. Emphasise effort, improvement and having fun rather than outcomes, to minimise the amount of stress that children can sometimes associate with sports and other competitions.

6 MAKE IT ACCESSIBLE



Ensure that children have access to safe, suitable spaces for exercise at home, at school and in the community. Advocate for inclusive environments which accommodate diverse needs and abilities. Be a change maker in your community if facilities aren't already available.



7 ENCOURAGE PERSISTENCE



Help children develop resilience and perseverance by encouraging them to overcome challenges and setbacks in physical activity. Teach them the importance of perseverance and the value of effort in achieving their goals.



Useful Information & what's coming up

Menu Change!

On Friday 12th July we're having a Chip Shop Menu day as a special treat for the children. Here's the menu:

CHIP SHOP DAY

FRIDAY 12TH JULY 2024

Menu

Option 1 → 

Crispy battered fish served with chips and peas, curry sauce, mushy peas or beans

 → Option 2

Pork sausage served with chips and peas, curry sauce, mushy peas or beans

Option 3 → 

Cheese and onion pasty served with chips and peas, curry sauce, mushy peas or beans

 All served with a selection of desserts 



Useful Information & what's coming up

Parent Networking Event organised by one of our parents

My name is Sam Queensborough. My son, Ace, is in Reception at Fulfen. Myself, a self-employed business owner with various business interests, and my husband, Ashley, who also works as a self-employed private tutor, know how hard it can be to focus on growing your business whilst also having a small family.

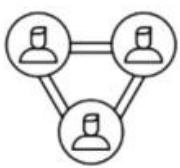
We realise there are so many other businesses that we need to utilise, but don't always have the time to search, find reviews or get testimonials etc. This is why parents networking is the ideal solution!

We would love you to join us at a networking event specifically for Fulfen parents to build a network of professional contacts that may be useful to each other whilst raising money for the school.

This will be a ticketed event but the money raised from the tickets will all go to the school. This will be initially for Reception and Y1 parents with future events to be organised for the other years. However, for any parents in other years, if you have an interest, please feel free to get in touch via email or Instagram.

Invest in Your Business & Your Child's Education!

Please join us & explore the other businesses that parents within the school operate. Share business and referrals, find the professional that you need quickly and easily, all whilst giving something back to our children's school.




Parents Networking Event




This is an event set up specifically to help parents with their own businesses to grow & create more revenue by getting their businesses out there to other parents in the school. Network whilst raising funds for the school that goes towards improving and developing your child's education.

Please scan the above QR code to register your interest for any of these events (or multiple if you would like) and buy your ticket...100% of profits will go to the school to see how much business we can help help to generate between ourselves.

More Information

 parentsnetworking@outlook.com

 [fulfen_parents_network](https://www.instagram.com/fulfen_parents_network)

 07904 874937

We very much welcome you to any of the four events organised. Click on the leaflet on the left to book your place.

The concept is for parents to create more revenue for their company and pass business to other local companies – all run by parents within the school.

There is a small fee to join the networking community – 100% of which will go to the school. This is not a profit-making venture at all.

We will be meeting at the Nag's Head pub, Burntwood, with the first four events being for Rec & Y1 parents:

Mon 24th June – 9am

Wed 26th June – 7:30pm

Mon 8th July – 9am

Thurs 11th July – 7:30pm

Useful Information & what's coming up

Fulfen Club will be open during the holidays

Bookings will open 1st July – keep an eye on your inbox!

Fulfen Summer Club

22nd July - 16th August 2024



£28 per day or
£126 per week

8:30am -
3:30pm

open to Fulfen
children aged
3-11!



Join us at Fulfen Club for fun-filled, jam-packed days of exciting activities, including outdoor activities, cooking experiences and lots of different arts and crafts.

Let's get busy and
make new friends!!

We are proud to be part of the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme, which is funded by the government. We welcome children aged 5-11 years.

31st July - 16th August 2024.

Sessions are either
8:30am-12:30pm or
11:30am-3:30pm



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Useful Information & what's coming up



hello velo

11am-4pm

Saturday 29th June 2024

📍 Beacon Park, Lichfield

Sunday 30th June 2024

📍 Burntwood Leisure Centre

Free to participate!



Scan to find out more



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community games

22ND JUNE

2024

FAMILY FUN

LOTS OF LOCAL SPORTS
FOR ALL
AGES TO TRY

TICKETS
only
£5
Per Child

12PM - 5 PM



LICHFIELD

Lichfield
district council

Beacon Park, Swan Road,
Lichfield, WS13 6QZ

Tickets Available From - www.trybooking.co.uk/DCAU

Tickets £5 Per Child - Parents donations welcome - Under 3's Free



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Useful Information & what's coming up

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 26th June – Rags to Riches collection (bring items in by Tuesday 25th)

Wednesday 26th June – Sports Day: Y1-3 (starts 10:15 am) & Y4-6 (starts 1:15pm) with family picnic 12-1pm

Thursday 27th June – EYFS Sports Day (am)

Thursday 27th June – Y6 – Alton Towers Trip

Monday 1st July – Year 2 Trip to Botanical Gardens

Wednesday 3rd July – Year 4 Trip to Sculpture Park

Thursday 4th July – Whole School Transition Day

Tuesday 9th July – Y6 Leavers' Production 2pm

Tuesday 9th July – School Discos

Wednesday 10th July – Y3 Trip to Conkers

Wednesday 10th July – Open Garden Afternoon (after school)

Thursday 11th July - Y6 Leavers' Production 7pm

Friday 12th July – Feel Good Friday (non-uniform) / Chip Shop School Lunch

Tuesday 16th July – Reception – Magical Mahem

Friday 19th July – Y6 Leavers' assembly 9:30am

Monday 22nd July – INSET DAY – **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Tuesday 23rd July – SUMMER HOLIDAY

