

NEWSLETTER

12th June 2026

Ephesians 3:17 Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love

Message from Mrs Herrero

This is such a lovely, yet busy, time of year. As I type, the Year 6 pupils are leaving for their all-day cricket festival. I know they are going to have a wonderful day (even though the weather is not as bright as it could be!). Every day, it seems that a class is heading out on a different summer trip, and classes are planning the most exciting learning this term as pupils apply all the things they have learnt throughout the year to exciting projects and challenges.

I have started reading your children's reports, and they are looking great so far. By the end of next week (if not before), we will be able to tell you which teacher your child will have next year. This will give pupils lots of opportunities for additional transition sessions if you feel this would be helpful for your child.

There are a couple of things I would like parents to look out for and make a note of. The first is our Festival of Learning Day, which will take place on the afternoon of 16th July. This will have a World Cup theme and there will be more details to follow, but please put the date in your diaries. The second is to have a read of the information about our new Parking Ambassador, Dom. You will find some information about him in this newsletter, but there is also a more detailed letter being sent out which will provide further information about parking.

It is supposed to be a lovely warm weekend, so let's hope the sun shines for us and that you have a wonderful time. Oh, and don't forget that we have our Summer Fayre on Saturday 20th June. There are lots of great things happening that day, so plenty to look forward to.

ATTENDANCE

Well done to the following classes who had the highest attendance since the last newsletter;

EYFS and KS1 – Alpacas 97%

Lower KS2 – Alligators 97.8%

Upper KS2 – Cormorants 96.1%



Important Attendance Information to all Parents

All unauthorised Leave of Absence requests and any other unauthorised absences will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council

Please also note medical evidence is required for us to be able to authorise absences due to illness of more than 4 days.

Preschool and Year 6 work together

Last week, Preschool enjoyed a visit by two bee enthusiasts from Year 6!

Noan and Hannah were absolutely amazing at sharing their knowledge with our youngest children, having thought beforehand about what they were going to say, and bringing in pictures and props to share. The Preschoolers loved listening, and asked some super questions of their own: Do bees sleep? and Why are bees so busy?



RECEPTION NEWS

Reception have had a settled start to Summer 2. The beginning of a new half term is always an enjoyable time as it brings a new topic focus, along with fresh displays and updated provision across our learning environment. World Cup excitement is already building. Our children have been particularly interested in the flag bunting we have put up in our classrooms. We plan to take a flag down each time a team gets knocked out of the tournament and we are all wondering which flag will be the last one left hanging!



YEAR 1 NEWS

Year 1 have really been enjoying their swimming lessons with Katie. This week we have been learning to swim on our back.



YEAR 2 NEWS

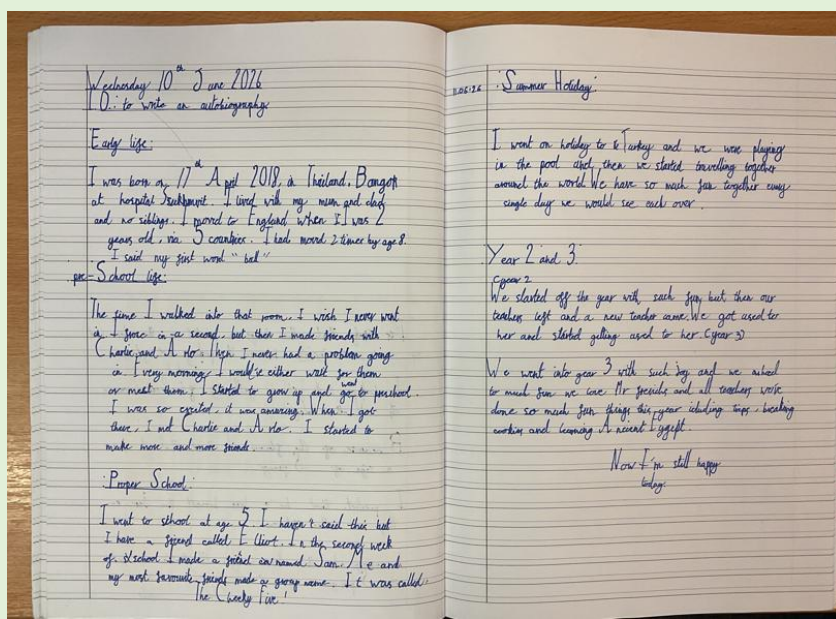
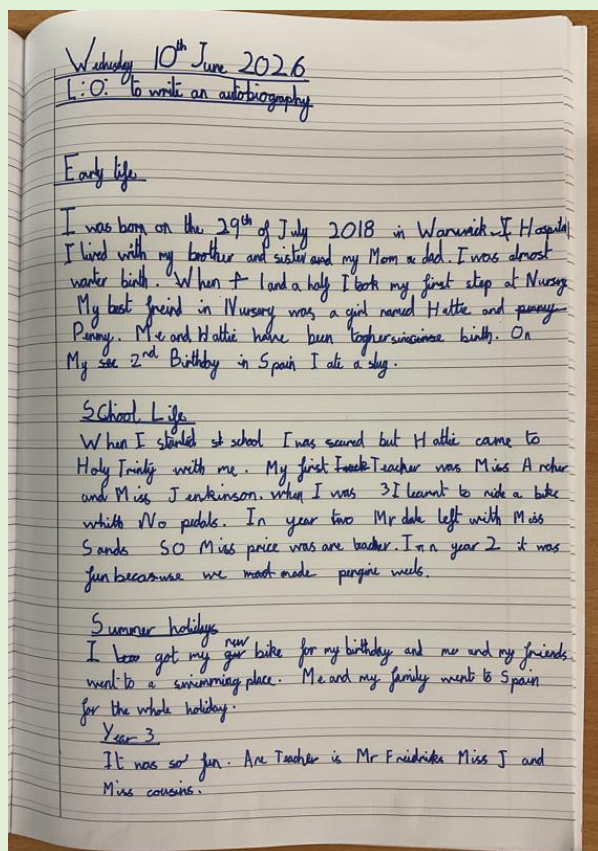
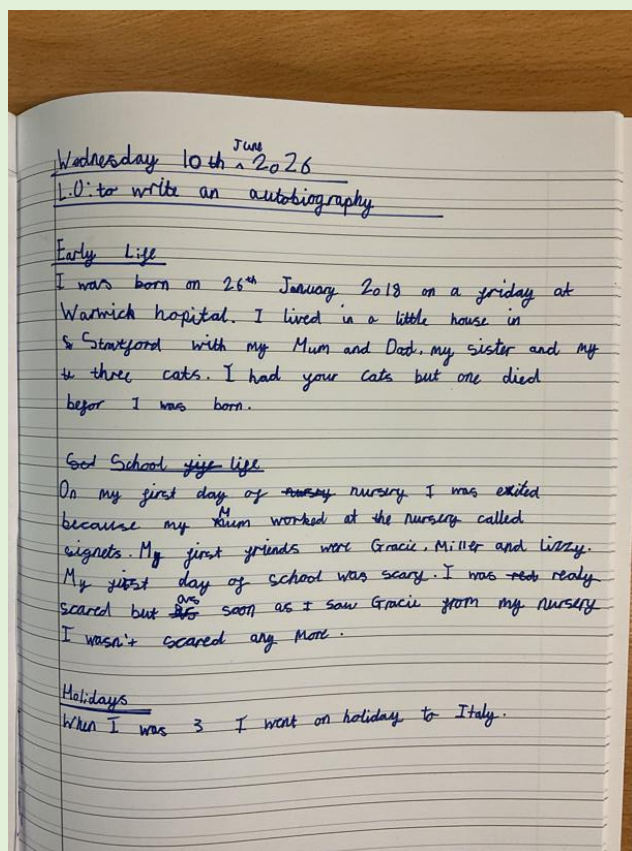
Last week, Year 2 went outside to construct a model of a reservoir and demonstrate how this would have been used to fill the canal channel when it was originally constructed. We recapped the historic uses of canals, how these impacted the design and construction. We began by digging our canal channel. We observed how, without lining, the water was absorbed by the sand. The children were able to explain the requirement for lining, and we used cling film to demonstrate how the canal could be filled without losing water. We also dug a small reservoir and watched the water flow down to fill the canal.



YEAR 3 NEWS

Year 3 has started learning about Anna Atkins through her biography The Bluest of Blues. In order to learn what a biography is and how a biography is written, the children have had a go at writing their own biographies, called an autobiography.

Did you know the word biography comes from ancient Greek and means writing about life. Auto means self so an autobiography is writing about your own life. We have loved reliving some of our dearest memories this week.



YEARS 4 NEWS

Year 4 Digest Their Learning!

Year 4 have once again been exploring the fascinating journey food takes through the human body with one of our most memorable science lessons. Armed with bread, cola, a ziplock bag and a pair of tights, the children recreated the digestive process from start to finish, squeezing, squashing and observing what happens at each stage.

There were plenty of laughs, plenty of shielding of eyes and lots of excellent scientific discussion as pupils developed their understanding of how our digestive system works. It's a lesson that always puts a smile on the children's faeces!



YEAR 5 NEWS

Friday Mile Club

Friday Mile Club kicked off last week and was a huge success! Our Year 5 helpers were fantastic, showing great responsibility as they supported the running of the club by counting laps, handing out hairbands, and encouraging participants.

There was so much to celebrate. An impressive 235 children took part, each completing at least one lap by walking or running. Together, they covered an outstanding total distance of 429.2 km.

Even more impressively, 20 children managed to run 5 km or more within 35 minutes—a fantastic achievement!

A special mention goes to the Hummingbirds, who covered the greatest distance overall with 97.8 km.

Well done to everyone who took part—you all did brilliantly. We look forward to seeing even more success next week!



YEAR 6 NEWS

We love reading in Year 6, therefore we were so excited when Mr Paul Edmondson, Head of Research and Knowledgeat Shakespeare's Birthplace, very kindly offered to read the classic, fantasy novel, *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* to Year 6 every Friday afternoon for the rest of the term.

We couldn't think of a better way to finish our busy working week! Thank you so much to Paul for this lovely offering.

The MORE
that you read,
the MORE things
you will know.
The MORE that you
LEARN,
the MORE places you'll go.



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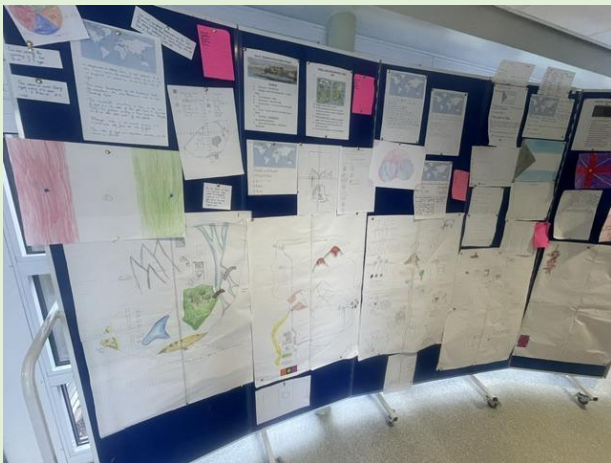
This is a very busy but exciting term for our year 6. They have already had their end of year, and sadly final photographs at the school taken, and had a visit from Stratford High School and ex Holy Trinity pupils Lewis and Emma to tell them more about high school life.

In English, Year 6 have been reading *Floodland*, a dystopian novel about a girl having to cope after her hometown of Norwich has separated from the UK and become an island due to flooding.

Consequently, year 6 have been given the exciting task of creating their own island which has to include population, size, location, statistics, graphs, climate and environment.

This is a great project for them as it covers all subjects and they get to work in small groups which they love!

We very much look forward to seeing these islands and if we would like to live on any!



Parking

We are very excited to introduce you to Dom, our Parent Parking Ambassador. Having tried different approaches to improve parking over the years, we are looking for a more sustainable answer where all parents - not just the majority - take seriously the risks to life that are caused by inconsiderate parking.

If you are interested in improvements to the parking situation, please do speak to Dom. He will be on the playground next week in a reflective jacket, gathering interest from parents so that we can form a determined safety group that will make a difference to the street outside our school.

We have plans to introduce some new measures, which will happen as quickly as possible, but will not be instant as we have to follow a process. In the meantime, police will be doing random checks on the parking in the area.



GENERAL NEWS

Gotta Sing

The Holy Trinity Singers performed at Gotta Sing on Wednesday 10th June. It's the third year our talented singers performed at this wonderful concert and this year we even opened the show. They performed their energetic and catchy set, including Can't Stop the Feeling by Justin Timberlake, Somewhere Only We Know by Keane and the powerful This Is Me by the Greatest Showman.

The children worked hard all year and wowed the audience with their incredible singing talents.



GENERAL NEWS

Last week, we welcomed Reverend Matt Ford, from Holy Trinity Church who led our Collective Worship.

He explained to the children The Holy Trinity and how God exists as three - God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

He compared it to many things such as water, which can also be ice and steam too, the power of three!

Matt got a good chant off the children - God - three in one!



GENERAL NEWS

Chatterbooks

Throughout the year, a group of Year 4 & Year 5 pupils have had the opportunity to attend 'chatterbooks' sessions at Stratford Library. The sessions are designed to promote a love of reading, whilst also utilising the wonderful Library facility that Stratford possesses. The feedback from the children throughout the year has been overwhelmingly positive. William, who led the sessions, really got to know the children and ensured the lessons were catered to the children's interests. For the final session of the year, the children got to explore 'The Play's the thing' exhibition at RSC. We are already looking forward to working with Stratford Library again next year.



GENERAL NEWS

Open the Book Assembly

On Tuesday Open the Book along with our Leading Light pupils performed the Cleansing of the Temple story. This was when Jesus powerfully expels the sellers from the temple as it was a place of worship rather than a selling market!

He got very angry and shouted "Do not make my father's house a house of trade!"

It highlights living righteously not greedily, standing up for what we believe in, respect and worship.





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SUMMER FETE *and* COLOUR RUN

SATURDAY 20TH JUNE
12PM - 3PM

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BBQ, BAR, COLOUR RUN
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TEDDY TOMBOLA & MORE



SUMMER FETE *and* COLOUR RUN

The Willows Friends are excited to host our biggest community event and fundraiser of the Summer Term. All profits go directly towards enriching school life.

Volunteers

Our Summer Fete relies on the kindness & support of volunteers. If you think you can give your time, even just an hour, **please add your name and mobile number [to this form](#)** and we will be in touch.

Stall Holders & Raffle Prizes

If you know of a local business who would like a stall at our Summer Fete for just £10, OR could donate a prize for our raffle, please ask them to email thewillowsfriends@gmail.com

Colour Run

Back by popular demand! Get ready for a high-energy dash around the school field. Start clean and finish covered from head to toe in a spectacular explosion of rainbow paint! Full details on how to take part will follow after half term.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

15 June	Reception vision screening
20 June	Summer Fair
24 June	Year 3 trip
30 June	Sports Day – Years 3 & 4 – 9.30 – 11am
1 July	Sports Day – Years 1 & 2 – 9.30 – 11am
3 July	Sports Day – Reception – 9.30 – 10.45 am Sports Day – Years 5 & 6 – 1.45 – 3.15pm
7-8 July	Year 6 transition day at Stratford High School
13 July	Year 6 Leavers performance at 1.45pm
13 July	Year 6 Leavers performance at 6pm
14 July	Year 6 Leavers performance at 6pm
16 July	Festival of Learning with a World Cup Theme (more details to follow)
17 July	Year 6 Leavers assembly at 9.30am

TERM DATES

2026

17 July	Last day of school year
20 July	Training Day – school closed
1-2 September	Training Days – school closed
3 September	Return to school
26-30 October	Half term – school closed
21 December 2026 – 1 January 2027	Half term – school closed

2027

4 January 2027	Training Day – school closed
5 January 2027	Return to school
15-19 February	Half term – school closed
22 February	Return to school
26 March – 9 April	Half term – school closed
12 April	Return to school
3 May	Bank Holiday – school closed
31 May – 4 June	Half term
7 June	Training Day – school closed
8 June	Return to school
20 July	Last day of school year
21 July	Training Day – school closed

MOST NEEDED THIS MONTH DONATE HERE

Hot dogs
UHT fruit juice
Shower gel
Tinned corned beef
Tinned stewed meat

Instant mash potato
Shampoo
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Tinned mixed vegetables



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