

13th March 2026

Issue #11

A message from our Principal, Mrs Postlethwaite...

As we move into another busy and exciting week at school, I would like to share some important news with our community. On Monday and Tuesday next week we will be welcoming visitors into our school for a SIAMS inspection. This is a valuable opportunity for us to showcase the heart of our school and the many ways in which our Christian vision shapes daily life for our pupils and staff.

We are genuinely excited to share our school with the inspectors. SIAMS is about more than policies or paperwork; it is about the lived experience of our children – the way they learn, grow, support one another and develop as individuals. It is a chance for us to celebrate the culture we have built together as a community.

Our core values of Aspire, Belong and Care will be at the centre of everything the inspectors see. They will see how our pupils aspire to achieve their best, how every member of our community feels that they belong, and how care for one another is woven through daily school life. These values are evident in our classrooms, our playgrounds, and in the relationships that make our school such a special place.

Thank you to our staff, pupils and families for continuing to live out these values each day. We are proud of our school community and look forward to sharing it with our visitors next week.

- 19th March- BTEC January exam results day
- 23rd - 27th March- Y11 Catering Controlled Assessments
- 27th March- Inset Day (School closed to students)
- 30th March- 10th April- Easter Holidays
- 20th April- Year 9 Landudno trip
- 4th May- Bank Holiday (School closed)
- 30th April- BTEC Exams start
- 8th May- GCSE Exams start



Attendance



DON'T MISS OUT!



Spotlight on The Attendance Team

Mr Worthington
Assistant Principal & Attendance Champion



Mrs Beswick-Pepper
Attendance & Welfare Officer



Mrs Thorne
Home School Link Worker



Attend all 20 days in March to earn your Easter egg prize.

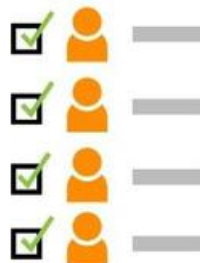
Look out for surprise bonuses along the way



Complete all 20 days, improve your attendance band or get no negative behaviour points

Be there for a surprise reward event on Thursday 26th March!

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SEND Support



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An opportunity to talk with a range of services from across the city.

Join the SEND Community Lounge, hosted by PEGiS (Parent Engagement Group in Stoke), on the third Thursday of every month at Hazel Trees, 135 Duke Street, Fenton, ST4 3NR, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

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Expect a variety of services under one roof. No booking required — just drop in and be part of the conversation.

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Facebook: PEGiS Stoke

Mrs. Smith



SEND Support

CAUDWELL
CHILDREN

We know face-to-face conversations matter. That's why you can visit your local SEND Support Team at community hubs across Staffordshire. We're here to listen, answer your questions, and guide your family to the right support.

MARYHILL FAMILY HUB IN KIDSGROVE

Gloucester Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST7
4DJ

Date: Caudwell Children will be in
there on the 4th Friday of each month:
27/03/26

Time: 9.30am–12.30pm

Our team moves around Staffordshire
– please check back regularly for
updates.





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| Football Whole School | English Master class Year 11 set 3 | Football - Year 9, 10 and 11 | Jan Session Year 10 and 11 | Chess and Board Games Club Whole School |
| GCSE Science Drop-in Year 10 and 11 | Christian Union Whole school | Choir - Year 9, 10 and 11 | Spiritual Quiet Space Whole School | Creative Writing Whole School |
| GCSE Science Higher tier Masterclass Year 10 and 11 | | English Masterclass - 11 set 2 | KS4 Art Masterclass | English Masterclass 11 Set 6 |
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| India drop in Year 9 students going to India | | English Masterclass 11 h2 | GCSE Science foundation class Year 10 and 11 | |
| Rotary | | School biodiversity club Whole School | | |
| IT Masterclass Year 11 | 11 Masterclass Year 10 | | | |
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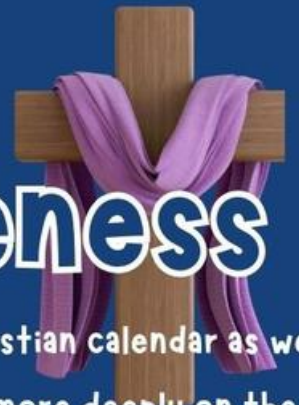
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Recent Fixture News:

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Christian Distinctiveness



In recent weeks, we have been focusing on an important time in the Christian calendar as we journey towards Easter. This season gives us an opportunity to reflect more deeply on the life and teachings of Jesus and to prepare our hearts for the celebration of His resurrection.

We have been learning about Lent, a special period of forty days when Christians around the world take time to pause, reflect, and grow closer to God. During Lent, many people choose to give something up, spend more time in prayer, or look for ways to help others. It is a time for thinking about how we live our lives and how we can follow Jesus' example more closely.

We also discussed Shrove Tuesday, sometimes known as Pancake Day. This day takes place just before the start of Lent and was traditionally a time when people used up rich ingredients such as eggs, milk, and sugar before the fasting period began. Today, many families still celebrate by making and sharing pancakes together.

Following this is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent. On this day, some Christians attend church services where ashes are placed on their foreheads in the shape of a cross. The ashes are a symbol of repentance and remind us to be humble, to reflect on our actions, and to turn our hearts back to God.

Throughout our discussions, we have been exploring the meaning behind these traditions and how they help Christians prepare for Easter, one of the most important celebration in the Christian faith. Easter reminds us of the hope and joy that comes from Jesus' resurrection and the promise of new life.

As we continue through this season, we encourage everyone to think about ways we can show kindness, forgiveness, and compassion to those around us, reflecting the love that Jesus taught.

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