



Tuesday 2nd June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back



We hope you had a lovely May half term break. As we step into the final summer term, we are excited to welcome you back and update you with some of the up-and-coming activities and events we have planned.

Biddulph Grange Educational Visit - Wednesday 3rd June



On Wednesday 3rd June 2026, learners from Hydra and Draco classes will be visiting Biddulph Grange Gardens as part of their learning. This will take place during school hours and they will be travelling by coach. Learners will be returning to school in the afternoon to have a picnic lunch. Learners can either bring their own packed lunch or order a sandwich with chips in the morning from school. Please note no hot other dinners/lunches will be available on this day.

In order to support the school's budget for learning outside of the classroom, we are kindly asking for a contribution of **£2.50** to be paid via ParentPay.

Sun Smart (Sun Cream & Sun Hats)



Just a reminder about our sun protection procedures to ensure that we can all enjoy the sun safely over the coming weeks. The sun's rays are particularly strong over the summer and they can damage children's skin. Your child's health and well-being are very important to us, you can help by:

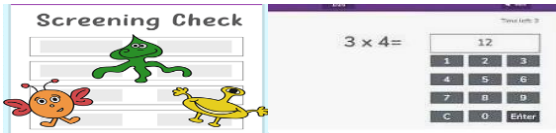
- Making sure that your child has sunscreen applied before school
- Providing in date sunscreen labelled clearly with your child's name for school. (If you have more than one child, please provide each child with their own bottle of sun cream)
- Talking to your child/children about the importance of sun protection at home
- Sending your child to school with a wide brimmed hat or cap to protect their head and face.

Staff are happy to support younger children in applying their sun cream but we encourage the children to apply it themselves, supervised by an adult in school. If you have any objections to staff helping your child with their sun cream then please contact the school office.



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Week beginning the 8th June 2026 Phonics Screener and MTC Checks



During the Week beginning the 8th June learners in Year 1 will be undertaking their 'Phonics Screener Check'. Learners in Year 2 who did not pass their Phonics Screener in Year 1 will also be sitting their re-sit in the same week.

Learners in Year 4 who are due to be transitioning to the Middle School will be undertaking their MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) in the week beginning the 8th June. They have already been accessing the practice sessions before the test and are well prepared for the check.

Help Us Make Our Sports Day & Summer Fun Fundraiser a Success



We are looking ahead to our Sports Day and Summer Fun Fundraiser taking place in June, and we would love your support to help make the event as enjoyable and successful as possible for all our children.

If you are able to contribute, we would be very grateful for donations of items such as:

- Bottles (for bottle tombola)
- Chocolates and sweets
- Toys (new or good-quality preloved)
- Tombola prizes or other small items suitable for stalls

All donations, big or small, will be greatly appreciated and will go a long way in helping us create a fun, memorable day for everyone. If you are able, please also share this request with family members and friends, as any additional contributions would be warmly welcomed. All donations can be brought to the school office.

Free School Meals Eligibility - Important Update for Parents and Carers



We are pleased to inform you that from 1st June 2026, our school will be able to check eligibility for Free School Meals (FSM) on behalf of parents and carers.

This new process is designed to make applying for Free School Meals quicker and easier, ensuring that all families who are entitled to support receive it without unnecessary delay.

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To support this, **more information regarding this will be sent out in due course**. Even if you believe you may not meet the eligibility criteria. This ensures that our records are accurate and that no child misses out on support they may be entitled to. Free School Meals can provide valuable assistance to families and also help the school access additional funding to support pupils' learning and wellbeing. If you have any questions or need help completing the form, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Changes to contact details



Please can we remind parents that if any circumstances change i.e. phone numbers, emails or address details please could you let the school office know so we can update the system and have the correct details on file. We always need two contact numbers in case of an emergency.

Important Diary Updates



Please find below a table of events that have been planned for the Summer Term (2nd Half). Please note that we always try our best to stick to the planned dates and times but on occasion's changes have to be made due to unforeseen circumstances. If this is the case, we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. **Please note dates in blue have been added or changed:**

Tuesday 2 nd June	SCHOOL RE-OPENS	All Classes & Staff
Wednesday 3 rd June	Biddulph Grange Educational Visit	Hydra & Draco Classes
Mon 8 th June Tuesday 9 th June	MTC - Multiplication Times table check (National Assessment)	Draco classes
Wednesday 10 th June 12:30pm - 3:15pm	Transition Games Year 4 (hosted at Woodhouse Academy)	Draco Year 4 leavers
Thursday 11 th June - all day	Additional Transition Day to James Bateman Junior High - (Individual learners)	Year 4 leavers - individual learners
Tuesday 16 th June - all day	Sports Day Activities and Summer Celebrations Fundraiser	All classes (additional info to be sent out)
Thursday 18 th June - all day	Year 4 Transition Day to Middle School	Year 4 leavers
Friday 19 th June - 8:15am - 12:30pm	Victoria Hall Music Concert	Draco classes & Hydra Year 2 learners
Tuesday 23 rd June - all day	Reserve Sports Day	All classes
Thursday 25 th June - 2:30pm - 4:00pm	SMART Uniform - Pop up shop in school	All classes
Friday 26 th June - all day	Draco classes - Educational Visit to Tatton Hall	Draco Classes
Tuesday 30 th June - am	Author Visit - Draco Classes	Draco Classes
Saturday 4 th July - am	Biddulph Parade - Individual learners	All classes individual learners



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Tuesday 7 th July 6:00-8:00pm	Full Governing Body Meeting	Governors
Thursday 9 th July -all day	Party Day with film & disco	All classes
Friday 10 th July - 9:30-2:30pm	Old Hall - Educational Visit (Festival of Brilliant)	Draco Classes
Transition Week beg 13 th July All classes move to their new classes	Transition Week - Learners move to their new classes in readiness for September 2026	All classes (details to be shared)
Thursday 16 th July	Summer Sing-Along - 1:30pm	Hydra & Draco Classes
Friday 17 th July - 10:30 - 11:30 and lunch	End of Year Leavers and Awards Assembly	All classes
Friday 17 th July 11:30 - 12:45pm	Year 4 Leavers Lunch	Year 4 Leavers and family guests (2 per child)
Friday 17 th July School Closes for the Summer Holiday at 3:15pm	School Closes for the Summer Holiday	All classes
Thursday 3 rd September School Opens for new Academic Year 2026 - 2027 8:45am	School Opens to Pupils	All classes

Yours sincerely, Mrs E. J. Pickford (Headteacher) & Team

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