



### Harvest

We are kindly asking for any contributions of non-perishable food items for our Harvest Festival. We will be donating these items to the Stoke on Trent Food Bank. Please see below for donations that would be suitable. All donations need to be in school by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

Thank you for your support.

#### Shopping List Harvest 2022

**Items we short of:**

Tinned Soup  
Tinned Desserts  
Pasta Sauces  
Mash  
Coffee  
Fruit Juice  
Tea Bags  
Tinned Vegetables  
Tinned Tomatoes  
Tinned Fish  
Biscuits  
Rice  
Sweet Extra, chocs, sweets,

### Careers Day 22nd September

Today we have had a whole school careers day and our children (and staff) have come to school dressed as the profession they aspire to, including, farmers and firefighters, barristers and paramedics.

We have also been visited by staff of Keele University who talked to the children about their profession.



### Attendance

This weeks class with the best attendance is 6JM - **99.1%**

Well done.

### Lets Get Cooking

Children in our Year 4 classes are taking part in a social action project called #WeWillCook.



This project will teach the children about food, cultural recipes, cooking/growing food and food poverty.

### High School Applications current Year 6

Applications for High School places are now open and must be submitted on or before **31st October 2022.**

[www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions)

### Diary Dates—Time Change to the Christmas Nativity Performances.

#### Key Stage One

**Friday 9th December**, the performance will be at **09.00am, not 2.00pm** as stated on the diary dates leaflet.

### School Values

This weeks winners who demonstrated our school value **Respect** are:

1EB - Isabelle

1NH - Kiara

2JT - Freya

2JH - Bronte

3LA - Cole

3JG - Rosetta-Mai

4CH - Alfie

4GL - Alfie

5PW - Liam

5GN - Dylan

6RS - All of 6RS

6JM - George

## **You Said We Did.**

Overwhelmingly, the parent questionnaire sent out in July was very positive. The questionnaire analysis and responses have already been shared with the governors and staff. Thank you to everyone who completed it. We had 100 responses and your views have been heard and taken into consideration when policies and procedures have been reviewed.

From this week we will be addressing the concerns and comments our parents raised on the parent questionnaire and letting you know what we have done on the newsletter.

### **You Said**

“School meal choice and quality has deteriorated”

### **We Did**

Following concerns raised in relation to our hot dinner options, we can confirm that we now have a new catering service, with a complete new menu.

We look forward to receiving your reviews.

Stoke Football Development, in association with First Kick Football. at Co op Academy Sports Hall.

Places are available to join a 12 week football course every Friday evening for children from Reception to Year 6.

Please contact Jack on 07514316534 for more information.

Flu Immunisations will take place for children in Reception to Year 6 on

Friday 4th November.

We will send a permission link in due course.

Well done Ella who has achieved Badge 1 in Gymnastics.



Well done Holly who has achieved Angelfish2 Award in Swimming.



## **Autumn Term 2022**

Friday 21st October - School Closes

Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October  
(Half Term)

Monday 31st October - School Opens

Friday 25th November - **OAT Inset Day 2** School Closed

Friday 16th December -  
(School Closes 1.00pm Christmas Holiday)

## **Spring Term 2023**

Tuesday 3rd January - School Closed Inset Day 3

Wednesday 4th January - School Opens

Friday 17th February - School Closes

Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February -  
School Closed (Half Term)

Monday 27th February - School Opens

Friday 31st March - School Closes 1.00pm Monday 3rd  
April - Friday 14th April - School Closed  
(Easter Holiday)

## **Attendance at Packmoor**

### **Penalty Notices - Information for parents/carers**

Regular attendance at school is vital to help children achieve and get the best possible start in life. All children aged between 5 and 16 are required, by law, to receive an education, and it is the duty of a parents and carers to ensure that they are supported to do so.

Packmoor Ormiston Academy has an Attendance Policy, available on the school website, and is responsible for keeping accurate records of pupil attendance. The academy will contact parents/carers directly if it has any concerns about a child's attendance.

Following the pandemic our Academy did not make any referrals to the Local Authority in relation to holidays taken during term time, as we understood that many holidays were postponed as a result. However, penalty notices (a fine) will now be issued for unauthorised absences from school. This includes holidays taken during term time.

Please feel free to contact the main school office should you wish more clarification.