St Giles Primary and Nursery School Office Friday Flyer!

Achieving through kindness, compassion and perseverance

This Week's Big Question

Class 1 and 2: How do people become good runners?



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Let's look at this week's story

Next Sunday, it will be the London Marathon.

Think about: What is a marathon?

A marathon is a very long running race where lots of people run at the same time, sometimes through a city, all the way to the finish line. When they finish, they receive a medal.

The lady at the front of the picture, Eileen, will be running in the marathon. Eileen is 82 years old and will be much older than most of the other people in the race.

Think about: Have you ever run a long way before? How did you feel whilst you were running or after you'd finished? Have you ever run with someone older than you? Do you think when you are an adult it will be easier or harder to run? What about when you are much older, like as old as a grandparent?

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British Values

Individual Liberty

We can all choose what we want to achieve. It could be to take part in a running race or something completely different. We can try out the things we want to do.

Protected Characteristics

Age shouldn't stop anyone from trying new things or reaching their goals. We should respect everyone regardless of their age and avoid judging what people can do based on how old they are.



Class 3 and 4: Is it ever too late to try something new?

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Let's look at this week's story

An 82-year-old runner, Eileen Hieron, has shown that age hasn't stopped her trying something new. She only started running in her 70s and ran her first marathon at the age of 74. Since then, she has completed nearly 10 marathons and even won her age group at the London Marathon. This Sunday, runners from all over the world will take part in the 2026 London Marathon, and stories like Eileen's are inspiring others to think about whether it's ever too late to try something new.

Learn more about this week's story here.
Watch this week's useful video here.
This week's Virtual Picture News here.



The Bible teaches that just like a strong, healthy tree, people can keep on growing and producing new things even when they get older. This means you are never too old to learn a new skill, try a new hobby, or start an exciting adventure. It is a reminder that our lives can stay full of energy, happiness, and fresh ideas throughout every stage of life.

REMINDERS FOR THE WEEKS AHEAD	
Monday 27th April	Forest School for Nursery and Class 1 Gardening Club - £2 per session. Fully Booked. My Super St Giles Challenge Starts today
Tuesday 28th April	• SIAMS Inspection • Class 3 Forest School PM **Football Training after school** • Dance Club with Miss Bridges
Wednesday 29th April	• Class Photographs
Thursday 30th April	• SWIMMING FOR Class 2 • KS1 Art Club with Mrs Scully and Mrs Taylor. Places available. I.
Friday 1st May	Forest Schools for Class 2 - am Solihull Parenting Course at All Saints Infant School 9.30 – 11.30 - see details below
Monday 4th May	• BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
Tuesday 5th May	• Class 3 Forest School PM • **Football Training** • Dance Club with Miss Bridges. Limited places. Open to bookings from Monday 13th April.
Wednesday 6th May	•
Thursday 7th May	• SWIMMING FOR Class 2 • KS1 Art Club with Mrs Scully and Mrs Taylor. Limited places. Open to bookings from Monday 13th April.
Friday 8th May	• Forest Schools for Class 2 - am • Solihull Parenting Course at All Saints Infant School 9.30 – 11.30 - see details below

OTHER NEWS

PTFA – My Super St Giles Challenge – 27th April – 1st June

The challenge for children is to learn a new skill or achieve a personal goal . For example they could learn to one handed cat wheel, ride a bike for 5 miles, read 10 books and ask family and friends for sponsorship to complete it. Or they could learn to bake cakes, make jam, make bracelets and raise money selling your home made goods. These are all skills and goals that have been done at previous challenges.

There is a video on St Giles PTA website dated 25th June 2025 which shows some of the children from last year completing their challenges. This has been really successful in raising valuable funds for the PTFA. Good Luck to all the children taking part and we look forward to hearing all about it.

- **Summer Term Clubs –** A separate letter has been sent with details of the clubs for the summer term. Bookings are now open and clubs will start week commencing Monday 20th April.

  REMINDER – CAR PARK SAFETY – The school car park is for staff, visitors and deliveries only. Please do not use the school car park to drop off and collect your children unless you have a Blue Badge. The safety of your children is our priority and the car park is not a safe place for children at these busy times of the school day. Please ensure any friends or relatives who may collect your children are also aware of this. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

- **Arbor** - Please ensure you make regular payments to ensure balances for school meals and wraparound care are kept to a minimum.

- **Nut Free School –** A gentle reminder that we are a **nut free school**. This means **no nuts or nut products** (including peanut butter, Nutella, cereal bars with nuts etc.) should be brought into school. We have children with nut allergies and even a small trace can cause a serious reaction. Your support helps us keep everyone safe and healthy.

- **Water Bottles - Please ensure your child has a water bottle, with their name on (containing only water) in school every day.**

- **INSET DAYS 2026 – 2027 –** We are pleased to be able to confirm the INSET Days for the next academic year. We hope the May INSET dates are helpful when planning holidays.

- INSET 1 – Friday 4th September 2026
  INSET 2 – February 2027 date tbc
  INSET 3 – Thursday 27th May 2027
  INSET 4 – Friday 28th May 2027
  INSET 5 – Monday 26th July 2027

Please do not hesitate to contact us on 01629 56813 or by email with any questions or queries.

Friday updates can be found in the Newsletters section of our school website

FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026	
Monday 4th May	**May Day Bank Holiday**
Monday 11th May	KS2 SATS – Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
Tuesday 12th May	KS2 SATS – English Reading Paper
Wednesday 13th May	KS2 SATS – Maths Paper 1 & 2
Thursday 14th May	KS2 SATS – Maths Paper 3
Friday 15th May	Y6 Celebration at Whitworth Park
Wednesday 20th May	Class 2 Sporting Event at St Giles Class 4 trip to Eyam with Darley Churchtown
Thursday 21st May	Bunting Cup
Friday 22nd May	Break up for half term
Monday 1st June	**INSET Day – School Closed to pupils** **Final day of My Super St Giles Challeng**
Wednesday 17th June	New Starters Parents meeting 5.00pm
Thursday 18th June	South Peak Sports – Darley Dale Primary School
Wednesday 24th June	SPORTS DAY
Thursday 25th June	South Peak Sports – Reserve Date
Wednesday 1st July	Year 6 Transition Day at Lady Manners
Thursday 2nd July	Year 6 Transition Day at Highfields Move up day First transition visit for September new starters 9.30 – 11.30 NO TODDLERS
Thursday 9th July	Second transition visit for September new starters 1.30 – 3.00
Tuesday 14th July	Class 4 Performance
Tuesday 21st July	Leavers Service in St Giles Church
Thursday 23rd July	**Last Day of term** **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**


MY SUPER ST. GILES CHALLENGE!
27TH APRIL - 1ST JUNE
STUDENTS ASSEMBLE !
USING SUPER POWERS OF STRENGTH, AGILITY AND INTELLIGENCE TO LEARN A BRAND NEW SKILL
SEEKING OUT SPONSORS TO RESCUE OUR FUNDRAISER!
will you answer the call?


MATLOCK TOWN JUNIORS
FREE
GIRLS TRAINING SESSION
This session is for ALL girls aged 5-11
5-11 (Y1-Y6, 2025/26) to form new teams!
Ability/Experience: NOT NEEDED!
Monday evenings 5-6pm
Cavendish Fields astro
FREE OF CHARGE!
Girls will need shin pads & moulded boots!
Coaches are UEFA & FA Level.
Email: matlocktjgirls@gmail.com
or our Facebook page!


TANSLEY FOOTBALL CLUB
TANSLEY ARE LOOKING FOR NEW TIGERS!
WE ARE LOOKING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF TANSLEY FOOTBALL CLUB-
U7'S BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME
✨School - Year 2 ✨
TRAINING:
Tuesdays 5pm - 6pm @ Highfields School
Football is a great way for children to gain more social interaction, development, confidence all whilst exercising and most of all having fun with our fully qualified trainers!
Interested? Please contact via this advert/ Facebook or Ralph on ralph.emmerson@sky.com

Spring & Summer Menu

St Giles CofE Primary School

Daily: Bread, Salad, Fruit, Yoghurt, Drinking Water & Seasonal Vegetables

CELEBRATING 120 YEARS OF SCHOOL MEALS

Week 1		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13.04.26	The Main Event	Chicken with Curry Sauce Rice & Homemade Flatbread	Big Breakfast: Sausage & Bacon Hash Browns Baked Beans & Tomatoes	Roast Dinner Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza with a Side Salad	Fish Fingers Chips Peas & Carrots
04.05.26	Alternative Choice	Macaroni Cheese & Homemade Bread	Veggie Breakfast: Veggie Sausages Hash Browns Baked Beans & Tomatoes	Roasted Vegetable Tart Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Veggie Burrito with a Side Salad	Veggie Sausage Roll Chips Peas & Carrots
01.06.26	Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich Meal. Please speak with your school for their selection.				
22.06.26	Dessert	Chocolate Cookie	50% Flapjack with Fruit	Strawberry Layer Dessert	Sprinkle Cake	50% Chocolate Pear Slice
13.07.26						
07.09.26						
28.09.26						
19.10.26						

Week 2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
20.04.26	The Main Event	Dippers with a Homemade Sauce & Rice	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Spaghetti & Garlic Bread	Roast Dinner or Roasted Quorn Fillet Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Chicken Goujon Wrap Garlic Mayo Dip & Potato Wedges	Battered Fish Fillet Chips & Baked Beans
11.05.26	Alternative Choice	Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry & Rice	Tex Mex Chilli Loaded Wedges	Vegetable Chow Mein	Veggie Balls with Tomato Sauce & Pasta	Macaroni Cheese & Homemade Bread
08.06.26	Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich Meal. Please speak with your school for their selection.				
29.06.26	Dessert	Salted Caramel Cookie	50% Chocolate Brownie with Fruit	Carrot Cake Muffins	50% Ice Cream with Fruit	Pinwheel Biscuits
20.07.26						
14.09.26						
05.10.26						

Week 3		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27.04.26	The Main Event	Chicken Burger in a Bun & Potato Wedges	Beef Taco Sunshine Rice & Sweetcorn Salsa	Sausages Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Margherita Pizza	Fish Fingers Chips & Baked Beans
18.05.26	Alternative Choice	Southern Style Burger in a Bun & Potato Wedges	Veggie Taco Sunshine Rice & Sweetcorn Salsa	Veggie Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Cheese Panini Chips & Baked Beans
15.06.26	Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich Meal. Please speak with your school for their selection.				
06.07.26	Dessert	Apple Oat Cookie	50% Lemon Cake with Fruit	50% Jelly with Fruit	Jam Sponge	Chocolate Cracknel
31.08.26						
21.09.26						
12.10.26						

DERBYSHIRE County Council

For further information and allergen details please visit www.schoolmeals.derbyshire.gov.uk

Dates highlighted in bold denote theme day events.

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Derbyshire County Council
School Calendar 2026/27

August 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
31						1	2
32	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
33	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
34	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
35	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
36	31						

September 2026 (19)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
36		1	2	3	4	5	6
37	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
38	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
39	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
40	28	29	30				

October 2026 (17)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
40				1	2	3	4
41	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
42	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
43	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
44	26	27	28	29	30	31	

November 2026 (21)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
44							1
45	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
46	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
47	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
48	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
49	30						

December 2026 (14)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
49		1	2	3	4	5	6
50	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
51	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
52	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
53	28	29	30	31			

January 2027 (20)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
53					1	2	3
1	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
3	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
4	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

February 2027 (15)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
5	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
7	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
8	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March 2027 (19)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
11	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
12	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
13	29	30	31				

April 2027 (15)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
13				1	2	3	4
14	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
15	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
16	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
17	26	27	28	29	30		

May 2027 (19)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
17						1	2
18	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
21	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
22	31						

June 2027 (18)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
22		1	2	3	4	5	6
23	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
24	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
25	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
26	28	29	30				

July 2027 (18)							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
26				1	2	3	4
27	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
28	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
29	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
30	26	27	28	29	30	31	

Denotes Bank holidays Denotes School holiday dates

195 days – including 5 days to be taken as INSET days