School Office Friday Update

REMINDERS FOR THE WEEKS AHEAD	
Monday 2nd June	• **INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED**
Tuesday 3rd June	• **BACK TO SCHOOL** • KS1 Qualitas After School Club – Football - book/pay on ParentPay • NO football training
Wednesday 4th June	• Transition morning at Anthony Gell School • KS2 Qualitas After School Club – Tennis – book/pay on ParentPay
Thursday 5th June	**Whole School Trip to Gulliver's Valley.** **PLEASE ENSURE YOU HAVE CONSENTED FOR THIS TRIP ON PARENT PAY.** **All Children need to be at school for 8.30am with a packed lunch, sun hat, sunscreen and waterproof coat. We will be back around 4.00pm** • **No Little Smiles Toddler Group**
Friday 6th June	•
Monday 9th June	• KS2 Qualitas After School Club – Athletics – book/pay on ParentPay
Tuesday 10th June	• KS1 Qualitas After School Club – Football – book/pay on ParentPay
Wednesday 11th June	• KS2 Qualitas After School Club – Tennis - book and pay on ParentPay
Thursday 12th June	• **South Peak Sports – Darley Dale Primary School Trials have taken place. Letters to those children taking part will be sent after half term.** • Little Smiles Toddler group 9am-10.30am • Swimming Class 3
Friday 13th June	• **Father's Day Event 9.00 – 10.00 – details to follow**

OTHER NEWS

- **Gulliver's Valley Whole School Trip - Thursday 5th June. Please use Parent Pay to consent for your child to go on this trip as soon as possible. There is no cost. Children need to be at school for 8.30am. Please ensure they have a packed lunch (Infants packed lunches provided by school) are in school uniform, have a sun hat, sunscreen and waterproof coat. We will be back at approximately 4.00pm.**

- **Car Park Safety** – **Polite Reminder** - Please do not use the school car park to drop off and collect your children. The car park is for staff, visitors and deliveries only. 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. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.
- **WALESBY FOREST RESIDENTIAL – Please return the completed consent forms and menu/special diet forms on Monday if you have not already done so. THE FINAL BALANCE WAS DUE AT THE END OF MARCH. Please can further payments/final payments be made as soon as possible.**

- **ParentPay – PLEASE ENSURE ALL YOUR ACCOUNTS ARE SETTLED BY THE END OF TERM. You can help by making regular payments to prevent balances increasing. Payments should be made at least monthly and must be clear at the end of each half term.**

- **Water Bottles - Please ensure children bring a water bottle to school every day and that they also have a sunhat and sunscreen once the warmer weather comes.**

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	
Monday 16th June	KS2 Qualitas After School Club – Athletics. Please consent and pay on Parent Pay.
Tuesday 17th June	KS1 Qualitas After School Club – Football. Please consent and pay on Parent Pay.
Wednesday 18th June	Class 2 Dance and Gymnastics Festival at All Saints Juniors KS2 Qualitas After School Club – Tennis. Please consent and pay on Parent Pay. **Parents meeting for September 2025 new starters 5.00pm**
Thursday 19th June	**Lady Manners Transition Day for Year 6 pupils** Class 3 Activity Day and Sleepover Reserve Date for South Peak Sports
Wednesday 25th June	**SPORTS DAY (afternoon) – details to follow**
Friday 27th June	**PTFA Summer Fair 3.15pm**
Tuesday 1st July	• **Transition Visit for September 2025 new starters 1.30pm – 3.00pm** • **Move up afternoon for children changing classes in September** • **Highfields Transition Day for Y6 Pupils**
Wednesday 2nd July	**Walesby Forest Residential – Class 4**
Thursday 3rd July	**Walesby Forest Residential – Class 4** FINAL SWIMMING LESSON FOR CLASS 3
Friday 4th July	**Walesby Forest Residential – Class 4**
Wednesday 9th July	**Transition Visit for September 2025 new starters – 9.30am – 11.30am** Class 2 Sports Day at All Saints Juniors Reserve Date for Sports Day
Thursday 10th July	NO SWIMMING FOR CLASS 3
Tuesday 15th July	**Class 4 End of Year Production in the evening**
Thursday 17th July	NO SWIMMING FOR CLASS 3
Friday 18th July	Year 6 Leavers Prom – Further details to follow

Tuesday 22nd July	**2.00pm Leavers Service in St Giles Church**
Wednesday 23rd July	Year 6 Primary Athletics at Moorways, Derby (rearranged from 26th June)
Thursday 24th July	**Last day of the school year** **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**
Friday 25th July	First Day of the summer holidays
ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026	
Thursday 4th September	**INSET DAY – School closed to pupils**
Friday 5th September	**INSET DAY – School closed to pupils**
Monday 8th September	**First day back at school**

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

VIOLENT CONTENT ONLINE

Around 70% of teenagers say they've seen real-life violence on social media in the past year – often from as young as primary school age. Just 6% actively seek it out; most encounter it through group chats or social media algorithms. From fights and pranks to hate speech and graphic media, exposure to violent content online is more widespread – and more harmful – than many adults realise.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MENTAL HEALTH AND TRAUMA

Children and young people report feelings of anxiety, guilt, shame or fear after seeing violent content. For some, these effects may be short term, but for those with existing vulnerabilities or past trauma, the impact can be more severe. Many also feel pressured to 'laugh off' violent content to fit in with friends, even when they find it distressing.

BEHAVIOUR CHANGES

Exposure to online violence can lead to fear and avoidance behaviours – such as skipping school or staying indoors. When children see weapons used in videos, it can heighten their perception that the world is unsafe and, in rare cases, increase the likelihood they'll consider carrying a weapon themselves, such as a knife for protection.

ESCALATION AND PARTICIPATION

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Violent videos often go viral quickly. What begins as an online argument can spill into real-world fights – which are sometimes filmed and shared to gain views or status. Some children even admit to sharing or creating violent content themselves to gain attention or boost their reputation.

DESENSITISATION

Older teens may become numb to violent content after years of exposure, admitting they're unlikely to report it. Younger children also tend not to report it – usually because they don't believe anything will be done or because they're afraid of being labelled a 'snitch' by their peers.

HARMFUL IDEOLOGIES

Violent content online may overlap with racist, misogynistic or otherwise extremist ideas. These messages can dehumanise others or glorify violence as a way to gain power, popularity or notoriety. Over time, this can normalise dangerous behaviours and attitudes among impressionable viewers.

DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT

Not all children are affected equally. Those who are excluded from school, marginalised, disabled or neurodivergent are often more vulnerable to the effects of online violence. It's essential to consider wider context – including home life and access to safe spaces – when thinking about potential harm.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CREATE SUPPORTIVE SPACES

Many children feel adults are too busy or won't understand their experiences online. Take time to build trust through non-judgemental conversations about what they're seeing. If they don't want to speak to you directly, gently signpost towards trusted services they can turn to for support.

AVOID HARSH RESTRICTIONS

Fear of punishment is a major reason young people stay silent about violent content. Try not to overreact or threaten to take away devices. Instead, reassure children that they can speak openly and that asking for help won't get them into trouble.

KNOW WHAT'S ILLEGAL

Some violent content is simply upsetting, while other examples may be criminal or a safeguarding matter that needs reporting. Help children understand the difference by staying informed about online laws and social media reporting procedures. A useful resource is reportharmfulcontent.com.

UNDERSTAND TECH AND TRAUMA

Older children may already know how to block accounts or avoid triggering content. Help younger or more vulnerable children learn these tools and encourage habits that reduce exposure. Just as importantly, teach techniques that help them process distress – building resilience and emotional literacy for both online and offline life.

Meet Our Expert

Dr. Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading UK expert in digital safety, media law, and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal, and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit onlinemedialawuk.com for more.

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HOLIDAY CLUBS IN DERBYSHIRE

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Derbyshire's Holiday Activity and Food Programme

2025/26

MORE INFORMATION

Did you know that as well as free school meals during term time, your child can also benefit from Department for Education-funded spaces at holiday clubs in your local area?

Thanks to the Holiday Activity and Food Programme, known in Derbyshire as 'It's About Me', your child can experience holiday clubs filled with fun, learning and healthy meals at no cost to you!

If your child is aged between 4-16 years old* and is eligible to receive benefits-related free school meals, they're entitled to access It's About Me holiday clubs.

With a wide range of activities such as sports, arts and crafts, cooking, dance, music and more, there's something for everyone! Plus, every session includes a nutritious meal to keep them energised and happy throughout the day.

Each club offers a unique programme depending on its location and type—there's so much to explore!

Not eligible? Many clubs also offer paid places, so every child has the chance to join the fun.

*See website for full eligibility criteria.

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING

Bookings open: 17th March 2025
Holiday clubs open: 7th April 2025 - 17th April 2025

SUMMER

Bookings open: 30th June 2025
Holiday clubs open: 28th July 2025 - 3rd September 2025

WINTER

Bookings open: 1st December 2025
Holiday clubs open: 22nd December 2025- 2nd January 2026

All dates exclude bank holidays and weekends.

HOW TO BOOK

1. Get your unique IAM/ HAF code from your child's school
2. Go to our website itsaboutmederbyshire.co.uk
3. Follow our handy How to Book Guide
4. Sign-up to receive It's About Me updates



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MORE INFORMATION:
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Spring & Summer Menu

Available Daily: Bread, Salad, Fresh Fruit, müller Yoghurt & Drinking Water

Allergen Key

Celery	C	Molluscs	Mo
Cereals	G	Mustard	Mu
Crustaceans	Cr	Nuts	N
Eggs	E	Peanuts	P
Fish	F	Sesame Seeds	Se
Lupin	L	Soya	So
Milk	M	Sulphur Dioxide	Su

Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Main Event	"Meal designed by pupils at Staveley Junior School" Crispy Beef Tacos with Sunshine Rice	V Creamy Tomato Lasagne G/M/Mu/So with Garlic Bread G & Side Salad	Roast of the Day with Stuffing G, Mashed Potatoes M, Seasonal Veg. & Gravy	Big Breakfast Sausage G/So/Su, Bacon, Hash Browns, Baked Beans & Tomatoes	Fish Fingers F/G with Chips, Carrots & Sweetcorn (Young's)
Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal – Please speak with your school for their selection				
Dessert	Chewy Cherry Cookie E/G (NEW)	Ice Cream M with Fruit (50% Less Sugar)	Flapjack G with Fruit (50% Less Sugar)	Jaffa Choc Pot M (NEW)	Strawberry Marbled Muffin E/G/M (müller)

Weeks Starting: 21.04.25 / 12.05.25 / 09.06.25 / 30.06.25 / 21.07.25 / 15.09.25 / 06.10.25

Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Main Event	Golden Pastry Topped Pie E/G/M, with New Potatoes, Seasonal Veg. & Gravy	V Cheese & Tomato Pizza G/M with Potato Wedges & Side Salad	Pork Sausages G/So/Su with Mashed Potatoes M, Seasonal Veg. Yorkshire Pudding E/G/M & Gravy	BBQ Chicken Fajita Wrap G with Sweetcorn Salsa, Oven Baked Potatoes & Seasonal Veg. (NEW)	Fish Stars F/G with Chips, Baked Beans & Peas (Harry Ramsden's JUNIOR)
Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal – Please speak with your school for their selection				
Dessert	Oaty Cookie Su/G	Chocolate Pear Slice E/G (50% Less Sugar)	Sprinkle Cake E/G	Strawberry Whip M (NEW)	Scrumble G with Fruit & Ice Cream M (NEW) (50% Less Sugar)

Weeks Starting: 28.04.25 / 19.05.25 / 16.06.25 / 07.07.25 / 01.09.25 / 22.09.25 / 13.10.25

Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
The Main Event	Cheese & Bean Enchilada G/M with Mexican Rice & Salad (Tilda)	Beef Burger G in a Bun G with Diced Potatoes, Salad & Rainbow Slaw E/Mu	Roast of the Day with Stuffing G, Mashed Potatoes M, Seasonal Veg. & Gravy	Chicken Curry M served with Rice & Homemade Flatbread G/So (Tilda)	Fish Fingers F/G with Chips, Carrots & Sweetcorn (Young's)
Daily Choice	Pasta Pot, Filled Jacket Potato or a Sandwich meal – Please speak with your school for their selection				
Dessert	Chocolate Orange Cookie G	Lemon Muffin E/G	Chocolate Cracknel M/G & Fruit (50% Less Sugar)	Jelly & Fruit (50% Less Sugar)	Pancakes E/G/M with Fruit Coulis

Weeks Starting: 05.05.25 / 02.06.25 / 23.06.25 / 14.07.25 / 08.09.25 / 29.09.25 / 20.10.25