

Every week we look at things going on around school, often focusing on a particular class or key stage. This week I wanted to shine a spotlight on the amazing work that our support staff do, in particular our specialist staff who work not only across the Primary Site, but across the whole school! These wonderful people are not attached to a specific class which in itself is a tricky task - they somehow manage to know and remember the names and needs of all of the children! They will undoubtedly know your child and I'm sure most have you have come across them...So this week, it is a big shout out and thank you to George, Stacey, Grace and Leanne!



First up we have our hero George who works across the whole school and is the medical fount of all knowledge! Daily, you will find George managing and administering medications, supporting with referrals to medical teams, organising medical training and supporting with plans for children's wellbeing. Most importantly though, you will see George interacting with the young people with such outstanding care and attention. George has amazing relationships with the pupils and you can see the trust and confidence they have in her. George is also there for all of our staff, often with a stash of chocolate and sweets when needed!

Next up is our super Stacey, a Pupil Progress and Intervention Lead with specialist knowledge of physio, sensory interventions and regulation. Stacey is your go to person to help with Occupational Therapy recommendations! On a daily basis you will find Stacey supporting young people with movement, modelling techniques to staff until they feel confident to take over, spotting in the Hydropool and running lots of interventions. Stacey's latest project has been the setting up and leading of our Eating Groups. These are for young people who have difficulties with food resulting in avoidant behaviours and a restricted diet. She supports them to explore and taste new foods at their own pace through lots of fun, low-demand activities. The progress in these groups has been astonishing and life-changing for many children and their families.

We also have the lovely Grace who is a Leader of Support for Learning, working across the school to support with communication. Grace also manages to find time to teach a day a week on the Primary Site and is a spotter in our Hydropool! During the day you might see Grace creating communication plans and aids for young people or working on specific goals with them, modelling communication techniques and strategies such as Intensive Interaction or Talking Mats or leading Storysharing groups. Grace is passionate about Pupil Voice and Advocacy and is your first port of call if you need any help or ideas when it comes to ensuring every pupil is heard and listened to. Grace is also an amazing buddy for staff, helping new starters and apprentice LSAs to settle in and get to know the school and children. More recently, Grace has also started working on our Outreach Programme, supporting local mainstream schools! She may take over the world some day.....

Last, but my no means least, is the wonderful Leanne- a Leader of Support for Learning who works across the school. Leanne is a certified Makaton Trainer and will support staff to learn Makaton right from the point of joining us, leading on our induction programme. On the Primary site you will find Leanne teaching classes and supporting with communication, particularly phonics interventions. Leanne often covers classes and supports our newly qualified teachers, ensuring they have everything they need to be successful. She has a huge wealth of knowledge and is often called upon for advice with engagement, helping staff to develop Engagement Support Plans alongside parents. Leanne's extensive knowledge of pupils across primary site means she can move between classes and key stages without a second thought, spreading her magic far and wide! We honestly don't know how they fit it all in and we would be lost without them! Thank you to our wonderful specialist support staff!

Vicki



We are on the lookout for some small blankets to use in our TAC PAC sets, if you have any you no longer want or need our intervention team at primary would gratefully appreciate them.





Thu 3rd April	14th - 25th April	15th - 17th April	5th May	26th - 30th May
Parents Evening	Easter Break	Holiday Club	Bank Holiday	Summer Half Term
Information below		Details below	School Closed	School Closed

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

Link to form if you require further info: [Easter Holiday Application Form](#)

Tuesday 15th – Thursday 17th April

Primary school, Stoke Road

Deadline for completing form is Monday 17th March 9am



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 3	MAIN Macaroni Cheese (V), Peas & Sweetcorn & Garlic Bread	MAIN Cheese & Potato Pie, with Sausage & Baked Beans	MAIN Roast Pork & Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower & Broccoli	MAIN Chicken & Broccoli Curry Boiled Rice & Naan Bread	MAIN Chicken Nuggets, Chips & Baked Beans
	VEGETARIAN Vegan Meatball Wrap (V) Potato Wedges, Peas & Sweetcorn	VEGETARIAN Vegetable Burger (V) Herby Diced Potatoes & Baked Beans	VEGETARIAN Quorn Roast (V), Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower & Broccoli	VEGETARIAN Quorn & Vegetable Crumble (V) Topped with Cheese Bake, Diced Potatoes & Naan Bread	VEGETARIAN Quorn Nuggets, Chips & Baked Beans (V)
	DESSERT Jam & Coconut Sponge	DESSERT Apple Crumble	DESSERT Strawberry Jelly & Ice Cream	DESSERT Chocolate Sponge & Custard	DESSERT Vanilla Shortbread

PRIMARY SCHOOL LUNCHES w/c 17th March 2025

Week 3 menu (£2.30 per day)

[Click here for Lunch Menus](#)

We have a no-debt procedure for our school meal service. If your child is not entitled to free school meals, they must be in credit if they wish to have a school dinner, you can pay via Arbor. Please keep us updated with any dietary requirements for your child. Information regarding eligibility for Free School Meals is available from your local authority.




DOROTHY GOODMAN SCHOOL

SUMMER FAYRE

CAN YOU HELP WITH OUR TOMBOLA?

14TH JUNE 2025
11AM - 2PM

BARWELL LANE SITE LE10 1SS

WANTED ITEMS
UNWANTED GIFTS

DO YOU HAVE ANY NEW UNWANTED GIFTS YOU CAN DONATE TO OUR SUMMER FAYRE TOMBOLA?

- *SWEETS AND CHOCOLATES
- *TOILETRIES
- *TOYS
- *BOOKS
- *GAMES
- *GIFT SETS

NUT FREE

*NUT FREE ITEMS ONLY

We CANNOT accept alcohol for the tombola but would be grateful of any donations of wine for our 'Water or Wine' stall.

We regularly update your child's progress at [e](#) school using the [Earwig](#) website. [e](#)



MY SCHOOL FUND

Step 1 Sign up for free and link to your chosen school or nursery

Step 2 Register your credit/debit card to your account

Step 3 Spend at participating retailers

Step 4 Start receiving your e-gift cards!

In association with: **Sainsbury's**, **Argos**, **ESPO**

Parents Evening - Thursday 3rd April - 3:30 - 6:30pm

Booking for parents evening appointments will be via Arbor and will go live on Friday 14th March 2025 at 4.00pm. Booking will remain open until Monday 24th March 2025 at 8.00am.



