

Love Children

Spring 2 Week 3  
17/03/2023

Love Learning

# Open Gates



**School Value Focus CURIOSITY:**  
Team Two Gates has a strong desire to learn more and discover new things. We ask questions and make connections.



Dear Parents,

## Parent Consultation Evenings

Our spring consultation evenings are on 27th and 29th March. We look forward to welcoming you into school to meet with your child's class teacher and see for yourselves what superstar learners your children are! If you need some help to book your appointment, please contact the office and we will be happy to help.

On both evenings we will have some visitors in school who would love to meet and chat with you about their work in the community and how they can help.

PCSO's Winter and Ngo will be sharing information about internet safety and be available to answer any questions you may have in general about their work- or you can chat with them about any concerns you may have.

Sharon Barnes, the Community Development Manager for **Malachi Specialist Family Support Services** will be here to showcase their offer and answer any questions:

Here is a message from the **Mental Health Practitioners Team** who will also be available on the evening of 29th...

*My name is Rachel and I am a trainee Education Mental Health Practitioner. My colleague Chloe and I will be working alongside the staff at a number of Tamworth schools including Two Gates Primary to support well-being and mental health across the whole school. We are really excited to get to know children, staff, parents and carers.*

**So, what is The Malachi Family Support & Outreach Service (FSOS)?**

Family Support Workers provide support for children and young people from 0-19 years and up to 25 years for those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. They can also help parents and carers with vulnerabilities they may be facing, which are affecting family life.

Examples of support may include:

- parenting skills and strategies
- building healthy relationships
- emotional wellbeing
- staying safe in the community
- building confidence and self-esteem
- child's development in early years
- building positive relationships between home and school
- housing and financial issues
- returning to employment or education
- developing positive community relationships

We work with the **whole family**, delivering the service in the family home and other community settings like schools or family hubs.

We want to offer a **place-based** service ensuring Families receive the **right support at the right time, in the right place**.

**How do you access Family Support?**

Staffordshire@malachi.org.uk  
Lichfield: 0121 441 4556  
East Staffordshire: 0121 441 4556  
Tamworth: 0121 441 4556

We accept self-referrals from parents and referrals from any agency that work with families.



There are 2 elements that a family can access:

**Referrals Based Family Support** - where an Early Help Assessment (EHA) is completed, specific support needs are identified and the Family work collaboratively to resolve those needs by accessing specific support, building skills, be empowered and increase resilience. The Outcomes Star tool is completed with the Family to show the positive journey of change the Family have achieved.

**Family Access Service** - offers practical 'hands-on' support and encouragement to help enable Families who would not usually access group offers, to engage with appropriate local offers on a regular basis. We recognise some Families may struggle with knowing what to expect, have concerns about how to behave within an unfamiliar setting and with managing their emotional wellbeing and worries when trying something new.



**Empowering families to support children to feel successful, happy, and fulfilled, using evidence-based interventions.**



This NHS service called the Mental Health Support Team (MHST), which is new to Tamworth, was officially launched in January and we have already begun working with some children on a 1:1 basis. We are delighted to be able to attend your forthcoming parents evening on Wednesday 29th March, **so please come and have a chat with Chloe and I for more information about the MHST, who we are and how we can help.**

**Mrs Pugh** will also be available to parents on this evening- no appointment necessary. If you are facing difficulties at home or within your family, or you are worried about your child, please remember that we are a caring school and want to support you. Please take the opportunity to chat with Mrs Pugh, so we can support you. A problem shared is a problem halved.

**We wish the staff and Y6 children who will be visiting France next week a very safe, happy and successful international residential visit.**



Next week in school is our annual Science Week, inspired by British Science Week. The theme for 2023 is connections. Children in all classes will experience engaging lessons and activities and conduct investigations to deepen their understanding and knowledge in science. We look forward to sharing all of this with you as the week progresses.

If you would like to find out more about **British Science Week**, please follow the link below!

[britishscienceweek.org](https://britishscienceweek.org)

Please see more news, photos, information and dates for your diary below and remember that you can follow us on Twitter [@2gatesprimary](https://twitter.com/2gatesprimary)

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please remember that we are here for you; just call the office on [01827 213855](tel:01827213855) or email [officetgs@twogates.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:officetgs@twogates.staffs.sch.uk)

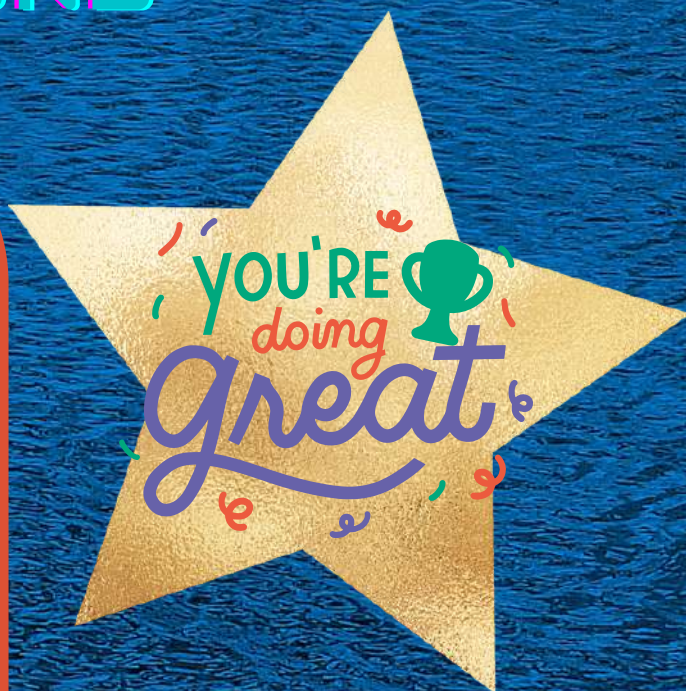
Mrs Llewelyn-Cook



*Love children, love learning!*



Robins - Ava  
Kingfishers - Jack  
Doves - Cayden  
Falcons - Lenaya  
Swans - Jayden  
Buzzards - Ben / Annabel  
Kestrels - Oliver



## BRILLIANT BEHAVIOUR BREAKFAST

Robins - Ella Jo  
Kingfishers - Abigail  
Doves - Kyomi  
Falcons - Dexter  
Swans - Ellie-Lee  
Kites - Ruby  
Buzzards - Annabel  
Kestrels - Logan

## TOP ATTENDANCE CLASSES



### KS1

Robins

96.4%

### KS2

Falcons and  
Buzzards

95.3%





**CLICK HERE**

**@2gatesprimary**

Follow us on Twitter

We are going to be sharing many more  
pictures

and videos of the work we are completing

# Diary Dates

**DON'T FORGET**

**Monday 20th - Friday 24th March**

Year 6 visit to Paris

**Tuesday 21st March**

14:30 - 15:00

Year 2 SATS Meeting for Parents

**Thursday 23rd March**

Year 5 and 6 visit to

The National Arboretum  
and

Staffordshire Regiment Musuem

**Monday 27th & Wednesday 29th March**

15:30 - 18:00

Parents Consultation  
(Details to follow)



**Friday 31st March**

INSET DAY - School Closed

**Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April**

EASTER HOLIDAY BREAK

**Monday 17th April**

BACK TO SCHOOL

## EASTER TENNIS CAMP 2023



**VENUE:**  
**SPITAL TENNIS CLUB**  
**WIGGINTON ROAD**  
**TAMWORTH**  
**B79 8RH**

**TIME:**  
**9AM TO 12PM**

**DATES:**  
**WEEK 1;**  
**MONDAY 3RD APRIL TO THURSDAY 6TH APRIL**  
**WEEK 2;**  
**TUESDAY 11TH APRIL TO FRIDAY 14TH APRIL**

**AGE:**  
**4 TO 16**



**BOOK NOW - [HTTPS://MICROSPORTSLTD.CO.UK/TAMWORTH-SPITAL-TENNIS-CLUB-CAMP/P/SPITAL-EASTER-CAMP](https://microsportsltd.co.uk/tamworth-spital-tennis-club-camp/p/spital-easter-camp)**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT [MATT@MICRO-SPORTS.CO.UK](mailto:MATT@MICRO-SPORTS.CO.UK)**



**WELL  
DONE**



**Well done to our Year 5/6 girls' netball team!**  
**They had a great time representing the**  
**school in our wonderful new kit and earning**  
**Children's University hours!**

# EASTER

## CHOCOLATE BINGO

MONDAY 20TH MARCH 2023

Come and join the PTA for our brilliant  
Easter Chocolate Bingo for all the family.

Plenty of chocolate prizes to win, just in time for  
Easter.

£1.00 a strip  
£5.00 a book

This event is one of our greatest fundraisers and your support is always  
appreciated. Monies raised from this event will support our exciting plans for the  
Summer Fayre.

Doors  
open at  
3.30pm



Two Gates  
Primary School



Eyes  
down at  
4.15pm

## Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme – Easter 2023

### OVERVIEW

It's back for the Easter holidays!

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme enables local authorities in England to deliver inclusive, enriching activities including a hot meal over the school holidays.

It's **free** for children and young people aged 5 – 16 years who receive **benefit related** free school meals.

#### New Process

The number of children eligible for funded HAF places has increased by 10% over the last year. To maximise the grant available and create more funded places, we have reviewed our processes.

The best way to save money to deliver more activities, is NOT to issue the HAF printed code letters in bulk to schools. This also benefits the environment, helping to make Staffordshire sustainable.

The schools will now be responsible for emailing/communicating with their eligible pupils. All the schools have been issued a code and promotional materials.

The schools will need to issue the codes by 14<sup>th</sup> March at the latest.

This will ensure that eligible pupils have their codes ready for registration.

#### Registration will be live from 4pm on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March

To avoid disappointment, parents/carers should register and book as soon as possible at: [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities) or scan the QR code on their letter from school.



#### When will it be delivered?

The Staffordshire HAF programme will run at various locations in local areas starting from 3<sup>rd</sup> April until 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022. **Most of the activities are planned for the second week.**

Families who require support registering their child have been signposted to their local library or Family Hub.

#### What about children who are not on free school meals?

Most of the holiday clubs will also have places that can be paid for. However, there are a limited numbers of free places available for children/young people

living in financially excluded families, at risk of domestic abuse, young carers or in our care. If you are aware of a child/young person in these circumstances, please email: [holidayactivitiesandfoodprogramme@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:holidayactivitiesandfoodprogramme@staffordshire.gov.uk) outlining the reason and a decision will be made at our discretion.

#### HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGN?

Please share as many posts as you can or schedule some of your own. Here are some posts for you to **quickly share to get started**:

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/StaffordshireCC/status/1634139759747518464>

Facebook: [\(1\) Facebook](#)

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/p/cpmkVME5sh/>

Search #holidayactivities #HAF2023 on our channels to find future posts.

#### TIMESCALES

- w/c 6<sup>th</sup> March – 16<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Fun!
- 17<sup>th</sup> March 4pm – Register now!

### Easter Fun! Social Post Suggestions

#### FACEBOOK and INSTAGRAM

w/c 6<sup>th</sup> March – 16<sup>th</sup> March  
Easter Fun! Free #HolidayActivities and Food #HAF2023

There will be lots of different holiday clubs offering Easter themed activities.

plus, the favourites including dodgeball, cooking, horse-riding, dance, football, swimming, bushcraft and lots more!! They'll get a chance to socialise, have fun and be fed a healthy meal!

- ☒ FREE for eligible children aged 5-16 years in receipt of benefits related free school meals.
- ☒ Eligible children will get a code from school to register.
- ☒ Registration opens at 4pm on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Find out more on the Staffordshire County Council website → [bit.ly/3f1O7Hd](http://bit.ly/3f1O7Hd)

#### PHOTO

FB image:



Instagram image:

<p><b>FACEBOOK and INSTAGRAM</b> <b>17<sup>th</sup> March 4pm – 31<sup>st</sup> March</b></p> <p>! Register now for your free Easter #HAF2023 place!</p> <p>🍷 Available to children and young people aged 5 – 16 years who receive benefit related free school meals.</p> <p>If your child is eligible, they should have received a code from their school. Places are limited so register and book here → <a href="http://bit.ly/3f1O7Hd">bit.ly/3f1O7Hd</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PHOTO</b></p> <p>FB image:</p>  <p>Instagram image:</p> 
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## DIGITAL ADVERTISING SCREENS (attached with email)

Digital advertising screens can be displayed on TV screens.

The screens are attached to the [email](mailto:leonie.o'hlanlon@staffordshire.gov.uk) and it would be great if you could start advertising this week as we are not doing any outdoor advertising this Easter.

If you have any questions, please email [leonie.o'hlanlon@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:leonie.o'hlanlon@staffordshire.gov.uk)

Thank you!



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		ADULTS	U14'S
		<b>£10</b>	<b>£5</b>

SUN 26 MAR | KO 14:00

**IT'S GAME TIME**  
**AT VILLA PARK**