



A note from Mrs Beardsley

It has been a truly fabulous final week of the spring term, and a real pleasure to see the incredible time, effort, and energy that has been invested in the children's learning at home. The Homework Celebrations provided a wonderful opportunity to showcase our children's many talents, and it was inspiring to see the pride they took in sharing their work. Thank you to everyone who supported this—your involvement makes such a difference.

We were also delighted to welcome so many parents to our EYFS Easter crafting event. The building was absolutely bursting at the seams with excitement, creativity, and beautifully crafted creations. It was a joy to see families working together and enjoying such a special occasion.

Thank you again for your continued support. We wish you all a happy and restful break.



Rattle & Roll

Our Outstanding holiday club is back for the Easter holidays!

This will run from 8am to 5pm Monday 30th March -Thursday 2nd April.

To find out more please visit www.rattleandrollperformance.com or call 07722 014301

Children can attend for £25 each day or **free for all children in receipt of Pupil premium.** All childcare vouchers are accepted.

New Menu

We are thrilled to introduce our new lunchtime menu which the children are loving! If you would like to come along and join your child for lunch, please do not hesitate in letting the school office know.

Autism Awareness Day

Today the children celebrated how we are all different and how we all belong in our school. It was wonderful to see such diversity in their clothes.

The children have been learning about what autism is and how everyone is special in their own way. They talked about kindness, understanding, and how we can support each other every day.

It was a lovely reminder that our differences make our school a happy, welcoming place for everyone.

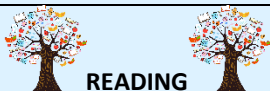


Navigating Neurodiversity – Parent learning provided by Life Education

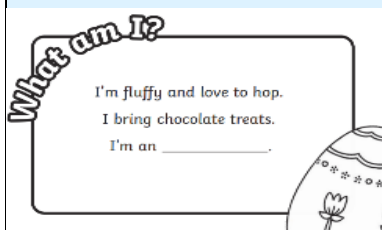
We are pleased to announce that in the summer term we will be supporting parents through a 'Navigating Neurodiversity' course. This is a free, four week course to help you understand neurodiversity and to find strategies to help your child. Please look out for further details when we return after Easter.

Meningitis

Many of you will have heard about the recent meningitis outbreak in Kent. Whilst there is no known risk in our area, we encourage everyone to remain informed and vigilant. Please refer to the poster at the end of the newsletter for key symptoms and guidance on what to do if you are concerned.



READING



Well done for all of the super reading that has been taking place this term. Remember all reading counts over the holidays...maybe the whole family can get involved in a Easter treasure hunt!

Join our team

We are currently seeking to welcome two dedicated and enthusiastic adults to join our school community. We have an exciting opportunity for a part-time Level 3 Teaching Assistant, as well as a part-time Teacher, both of whom will play a vital role in supporting our pupils' learning and development. We are looking for individuals who are passionate about education, committed to making a positive difference, and eager to contribute to a nurturing and inspiring environment. If you or someone you know would be interested in becoming part of our team, we would love to hear from you.

Attendance

Thank you for supporting your child's attendance this term—it makes a real difference to their learning and progress. We would also like to say a big well done to all of the children who received a certificate for good attendance today; this is a fantastic achievement and something to be proud of. Please keep an eye out for a text message, which will share the successes of your child's attendance and keep you informed. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



What a lovely last week to the term it has been we have been focussing on Easter and making some super Easter cards. We hope you have a lovely Easter break and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 13th April. Bookings can be made for next term via the school money app.





Calendar 2025-2026

Date	Event	Time	Who?
Monday 13th April	Back to School	8.45	Whole school
Tuesday 28th April for 4 weeks	Navigating Neurodiversity	Afternoon	All parents welcome – more information to follow
Wednesday 6th May	Class photos	Throughout the day	Whole School
Monday 22nd June-Friday 26th June	Science Week	All Week	Whole School

Easter Holidays: Monday 30th March-Friday 10th April
SCHOOL REOPENS: Monday 13th April

Year Group News

Early Years Foundation Stage (2 Year olds, F1 and F2)



The Easter and homework celebration was resounding success! Thank you so much to all of the parents that came and showed their support. The children did a great job of singing their Easter songs for you all and the crafts that were created were fantastic!

The children have been busy this week learning all about Easter and why Christians celebrate it.

We hope you all have a lovely and safe Easter break and we look forward to seeing you back at school on April 13th.



Brilliant Butterflies and Lovely Ladybirds

The children have made good progress in phonics this half term. It is lovely to see their confidence in their reading and writing grow. We will collect their phonics books in over the holidays and they will only have their reading for pleasure books over the Easter break.

In maths, we have been looking at 3d shapes and their properties. We have been on shape hunts, and looked for 3d shapes in the environment. The children are now able to decipher which is a 2d shape and which is a 3d shape.

In talk for writing, we have continued to learn the story of Jack and the Beanstalk and will be completing our longest piece of writing yet.

Busy Bees and Creative Caterpillars.

In maths this week, we have been using Easter themed resources to consolidate our learning from the half term. The children are now confident at recognising numbers and starting to match them to the amount.

We have been getting crafty making you special Easter cards and look forward to sending them home for you to see.

Key Stage One (Year 1 and 2)



Thank you for all of your support this term and we hope you have a lovely Easter break. We are looking forward to a fun-filled and very busy Summer Term when we get back.

Our topic next half term is called Land Ahoy! We will be learning all about pirates from the past!



In English, we will be learning about an extract from a pirate story called Nadira and the Cruel Pirate. We will be learning, innovating and writing stories using description this half term. We will also be focusing on non fiction writing, creating pirate biographies using all of the facts that we learn in our topic lessons.

In Maths for Year 2 this term we will be revisiting multiplication and learning about time and measures. In Year 1 we will be counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10 and be recognising coins.

In topic lessons, we will be focusing on History and Science. As well as learning about pirates from the past we will be learning all about materials and their properties. We will be picking the best materials for making pirate flags! We will also be focusing on Geography, learning all about the Caribbean and discussing the similarities and differences between the Caribbean and Stapleford!

PE days remain the same next half term –
CK Monday and Thursday
PP Tuesday and Thursday
FF Wednesday and Thursday

**SUNDAY
29TH MARCH**

EASTER FAMILY FUN

For primary aged children and their families.

LEGO | CRAFT | FOOD | ACTIVITIES | FUN

2pm start
@ Stapleford Baptist Church
Albert St

THE EASTER STORY *No need to book - just turn up!*

At 4.15pm there will be a short all-age service- you are very welcome to stay on join us.

Contact:
office@staplefordbaptist.org

Stapleford Town Council's Mayor
Councillor Sue Paterson invites you
to her last civic event of 2025/2026

**Spring
COFFEE MORNING**

SATURDAY | **11** | 10AM-NOON
2026

Carnegie Centre, Warren Avenue Stapleford NG9 8EY

See you there

MUSIC, RAFFLE, GOOD COMPANY
FOR MORE INFO GO TO
www.staplefordtowncouncil.gov.uk



Easter 2026



William Lilley Holiday Club

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years, with funded places available for children in Reception to Year 6

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.



LOCATION:

William Lilley Infant & Nursery School

COST:

£25 per day

All childcare vouchers accepted

FREE places available for children in receipt of benefit-related free school meals



DATES & TIME:

8:00am - 5:00pm

Monday 30 March to Thursday 2 April



HOW TO BOOK:

Scan the QR code to book and use code **HOWILI** to take you straight to the club or visit our [website](#)



To book a funded place via EEQU, please scan this QR code

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MENINGITIS + SEPTICAEMIA

Meningitis
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Meningitis is a serious condition where the protective layers around the brain and spinal cord become inflamed. Septicaemia is when the bacteria enter the bloodstream to cause blood poisoning. They can happen to anyone, so it's important to know the symptoms and risks.

Early symptoms, such as fever, vomiting, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet and headaches, can look similar to common illnesses like colds or flu. But someone with meningitis or septicaemia will usually become seriously ill in a matter of hours. That's why it's crucial to keep checking on anyone who is unwell.

MENINGITIS SYMPTOMS?

- fever
- a very bad headache (this alone is not a reason to get medical help)
- vomiting
- stiff neck
- dislike of bright lights
- rash (DO NOT wait for a rash to appear before seeking medical advice)
- confusion, delirium
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness
- fits

SEPTICAEMIA SYMPTOMS?

- fever and shivering
- severe pains and aches in limbs and joints
- vomiting
- very cold hands and feet
- pale or blotchy skin
- rapid breathing
- diarrhoea and stomach cramps
- red or purple 'bruised' or blotchy rash on skin that does not fade under pressure - do the glass test. On dark skin, check paler areas of the skin, such as the palms of the hands, soles of the feet, inside the mouth (roof), and the eyelids
- difficulty walking or standing
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness

If you become worried about yourself, your child, or a friend, particularly if symptoms are getting worse, seek medical help urgently.

EARLY TREATMENT CAN BE LIFE-SAVING.