

# Family Update

23rd June 2023



## Updates

Hello everyone, this has been a busy week for events, trips and visitors into school as you can see from the photographs, so lots of new learning has been taking place. **Nursery graduation** was a heartwarming event for proud adults and excited children. Ash class visited **Birmingham Think Tank** Science Museum and had an inspiring time. **Chris, a visitor to the TI department** gave a talk about how he is living life to the full and has not let his disabilities hold him back. He shared stories of his adventures on his wonderful motor bike and he asked some of our students if they wanted to sit on his bike and rev the engine. The class found this exhilarating as you can see from their expressions in the photos below.

Our **building work to expand our car park commences tomorrow** and may last for a few weeks. This will be disrupt our current parking arrangements so we are asking for everyone's patience whilst the expansion is complete. Please could we ask that **any families collecting their children after 3pm do not arrive into the car park before 2:45pm? From Monday this will be marshalled** to ensure everyone is safely parked and moved along swiftly to make room for the next collections. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

Please see our **calendar of training days and holidays for next academic year** on page 7.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend, from Your Leadership Team

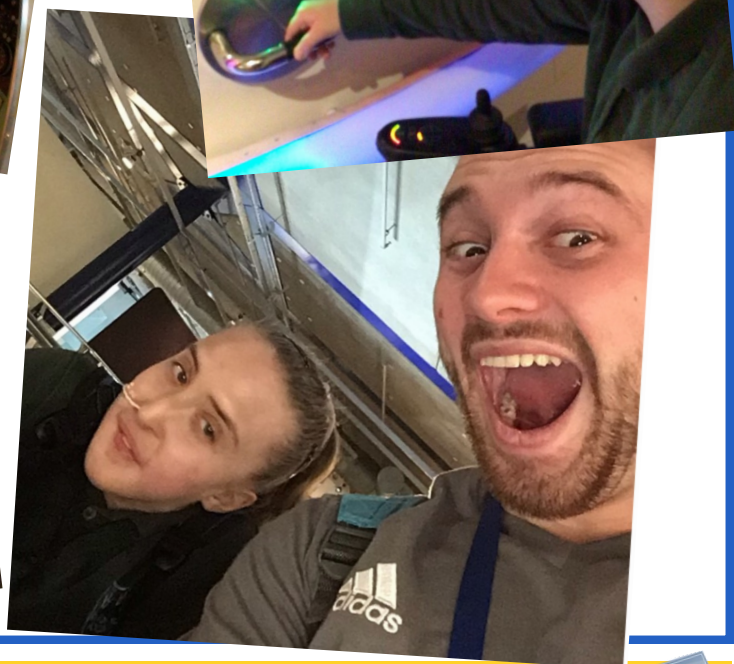
## A tribute to Emma Bennett our Amazing Nurse



We are deeply saddened to share the news that after a short period of illness in Coventry hospital Emma Bennett our school nurse passed away on 16th June. Our thoughts are with Emma's family and friends they, like us, are devastated by this sudden and sad loss. Staff working closely with Emma have placed a tribute in our school foyer with a memory book, in which you are welcome to write your memories of Emma.



# Ash class Trip to Birmingham Think Tank Science Museum



## Parents Recommend

Whitemoor Lakes are offering residential activity camps for children living with health challenges or disabilities, and their siblings. More information here:

<https://fb.watch/I564XZ0Wdo/>

Please send future recommendations to:

[emily.thompson@saxon.set.org](mailto:emily.thompson@saxon.set.org)



## Key Dates



**Friday 30th June** - Rainbow Day

**Friday 7th July @10:00** - Sleepover Graduation

**Wednesday 12th July** - Sports Day

**Wednesday 12th July from 4 - 6pm** - Meet the Teacher

**Friday 14th July** - Post 19 Leavers Prom

**Thursday 20th July morning** - End of Year Awards

**Friday 21st July morning** - Leavers' Assembly

**Monday 24th July** - Ice-cream Van in School

## Contact us

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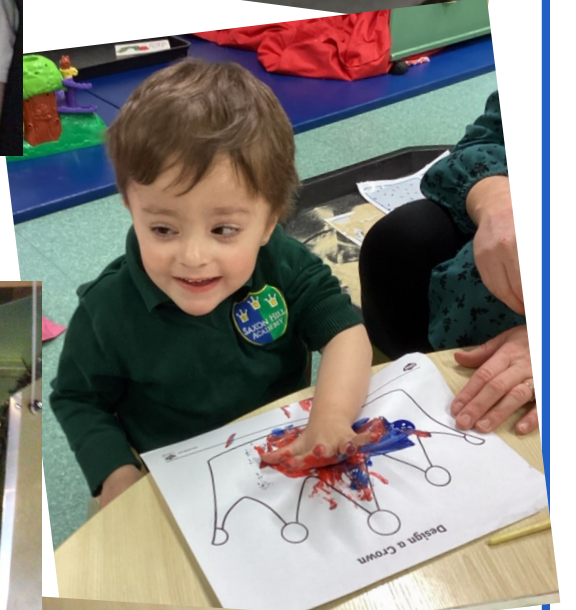
**Headteacher:** Melanie Newbury

**Designated Safeguarding Lead:** Kim Thomas

**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:** Melanie Newbury & Helen Bowers



# What we have been up to this week ...





## Nursery Graduation



## Explorers' Summer Party



## Visitor in Towards Independence







# Annual Graduation Ceremony



We would like to invite the families of pupils who access Sleepover Club, to our annual Childrens University Awards Ceremony.

All pupils are signed up to the scheme which promotes the continuation of learning during extra curricular activities in or out of school. We use the learning during Sleepover Club activities to accrue points for the time spent taking part.

This continues throughout the child's time with us and even after they have left us, for those who do vocational studies or activities in their local community.

The national awards are presented at Undergraduate Level for between 30-100 hours, right up to Doctorate Level for between 830-1,000 hours.

Our ceremony takes place on:



**Friday 7th July**

**10:00**

**School Hall**



**Followed by light refreshments served in Sleepover Club.**

We hope that you will be able to join us to celebrate your child's achievement.



# Sleepover Club Highlights





## School Terms and Holiday Dates 2023/2024

September					
Monday		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		6	13	20	27
Thursday		7	14	21	28
Friday	1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	3	10	17	24	

October					
Monday		2	9	16	23
Tuesday		3	10	17	24
Wednesday		4	11	18	25
Thursday		5	12	19	26
Friday		6	13	20	27
Saturday		7	14	21	28
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29

November					
Monday		6	13	20	27
Tuesday		7	14	21	28
Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29
Thursday	2	9	16	23	30
Friday	3	10	17	24	
Saturday	4	11	18	25	
Sunday	5	12	19	26	

December					
Monday		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		6	13	20	27
Thursday		7	14	21	28
Friday	1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	3	10	17	24	31

January					
Monday		1	8	15	22
Tuesday		2	9	16	23
Wednesday		3	10	17	24
Thursday		4	11	18	25
Friday		5	12	19	26
Saturday		6	13	20	27
Sunday		7	14	21	28

February					
Monday		5	12	19	26
Tuesday		6	13	20	27
Wednesday		7	14	21	28
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29
Friday	2	9	16	23	
Saturday	3	10	17	24	
Sunday	4	11	18	25	

March					
Monday		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		6	13	20	27
Thursday		7	14	21	28
Friday	1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	3	10	17	24	31

April					
Monday		1	8	15	22
Tuesday		2	9	16	23
Wednesday		3	10	17	24
Thursday		4	11	18	25
Friday		5	12	19	26
Saturday		6	13	20	27
Sunday		7	14	21	28

May					
Monday			6	13	20
Tuesday			7	14	21
Wednesday		1	8	15	22
Thursday		2	9	16	23
Friday		3	10	17	24
Saturday		4	11	18	25
Sunday		5	12	19	26

June					
Monday		3	10	17	24
Tuesday		4	11	18	25
Wednesday		5	12	19	26
Thursday		6	13	20	27
Friday		7	14	21	28
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30

July					
Monday		1	8	15	22
Tuesday		2	9	16	23
Wednesday		3	10	17	24
Thursday		4	11	18	25
Friday		5	12	19	26
Saturday		6	13	20	27
Sunday		7	14	21	28

August					
Monday		5	12	19	26
Tuesday		6	13	20	27
Wednesday		7	14	21	28
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29
Friday	2	9	16	23	30
Saturday	3	10	17	24	31
Sunday	4	11	18	25	

Inset Day
  May Day
  School Holiday
  Weekend

Please note that due to the number of school holidays already built into the school year, we will not be able to authorise holidays in term time without a clear, substantial reason explaining why the holiday cannot be taken during school holidays.





**Come and join us for a virtual SUN session.**

## **SUMMER DATES 2023**

**Please note, you will need to be able to access Microsoft teams in order to join the meeting.**

SUN sessions are informal networking and information sharing sessions between parents, carers, young people, schools, and services, for anyone living with or working with a child or young person with SEND in Staffordshire.

It is an opportunity to find out/share information about what is happening locally, and what support and services might be available

The sessions are double district and ideally you would sign up for the meeting in the district you live, however, if you are unable to take part in your district group, it may be possible to join one of the others, but please bear in mind not all services cover all areas.

### **Dates and Times of SUN Sessions**

Stafford/South Staffs	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	1pm – 2pm
North Staffs	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	1pm – 2pm
East Staffs	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	10am – 11am
Cannock/Lichfield	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	1pm – 2pm

**Numbers will be limited therefore booking is essential.**

If you are a **parent, carer, young person or a service provider** and would like to attend please email; [sun@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:sun@staffordshire.gov.uk)

on receipt of your completed booking form, you will be emailed with a link to access the meeting once your place is confirmed.



# Little Saxons

## Stay and Play

A specialist provision for children 0-4 years with additional needs.

Song  
Time

Rebound  
Therapy

Messy  
Play

Hydrotherapy

Refreshments

Sensory

Story  
Time



Little Saxons

Monday & Thursday Afternoons 12.45-  
2.15pm

(Term time only)

£2.00 including a tea/coffee/cold drink

For more information or to book your place please contact -  
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