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All events are subject to change / cancellation to reflect







<p>Monday 13th September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff CC</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Wednesday 15th September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Excel Academy Open Evening</u> 5:30pm to 8:30pm. By appointment only. Appointments can be booked by visiting the following website: Home - The Excel Academy (alphaacademiestrust.co.uk)</p>
<p>Monday 20th September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff CC</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Monday 20th September 2021 to Friday 24th September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Birches Head Academy Open Mornings</u> Birches Head Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST2 8DD. 8:30am to 10:00am. By appointment only. More information to follow on how to book individual appointments.</p>
<p>Wednesday 22nd September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Birches Head Academy Open Evening</u> Birches Head Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST2 8DD. 4:00pm to 6:00pm. By appointment only. More information to follow on how to book individual appointments.</p>
<p>Monday 20th September 2021 to Monday 18th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 6 Multisports Extra Curricular club</u> Every Monday for 5 weeks. If your child is allocated a place on this club, more information will follow.</p>
<p>Monday 20th September 2021 & Tuesday 21st September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Bikeability – Level 2 – Year 5</u> These sessions will take place during the academy day. If your child has been allocated a place on Bikeability, they need to bring their bike and helmet to school.</p>
<p>Tuesday 21st September 2021 to Tuesday 19th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 5 Multisports Extra Curricular club</u> Every Tuesday for 5 weeks. If your child is allocated a place on this club, more information will follow.</p>

<p>Wednesday 22nd September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Bikeability – Level 1 – Year 4</u> This session will take place during the academy day. If your child has been allocated a place on Bikeability, they need to bring their bike and helmet to school.</p>
<p>Wednesday 22nd September 2021 to Wednesday 20th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Multisports Extra Curricular club</u> Every Wednesday for 5 weeks. If your child is allocated a place on this club, more information will follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 23rd September 2021 to Thursday 21st October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 3 Multisports Extra Curricular club</u> Every Thursday for 5 weeks. If your child is allocated a place on this club, more information will follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 23rd September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) Information Evening (Year 4)</u> Session starts at 5:30pm – 6.30pm prompt start. Year 4 children are welcome to attend. An essential information evening for Y4 parents on statutory times tables test in Year 4. Free game for all who attend.</p>
<p>Monday 27th September 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff EH</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Monday 4th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff EH</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Tuesday 5th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>World Teacher's Day</u> As many of you are aware, each year we acknowledge the good work provided by the teachers in our academies during World Teacher Day. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 7th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>It's Good to be Me Day</u> This will be a dress up day, come to school as who you aspire to be in the future.</p>

<p>Friday 8th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Mental Health Awareness Day</u> This is an event where we will raise an awareness of physical and mental health. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Week commencing 11th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Parents' / Carers' Settling In Evening</u> Consultations will take place via phone calls as we will not be inviting parents / carers in to the school buildings on this occasion in order to keep everyone as safe as possible. Class teachers will contact you with your allocated time slot. Please be available for your allocated 5-minute call.</p>
<p>Monday 11th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff KN</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one-piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Thursday 14th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Watch Me Learn Videos</u> Videos to support parents/carers in helping their children to learn at home.</p>
<p>Friday 15th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Harvest Celebration</u> Our Harvest celebration will still take place virtually, led by Year 3, as this is an important part of the children's learning. We will be asking for donations of specific foods which will be shared with the Foodbank after being quarantined on site for the necessary time period. A letter will follow detailing dates for donations to be sent into school and what foods the Foodbank are able to accept. This will not include fresh produce.</p>
<p>Monday 18th October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff KN</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one-piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Thursday 21st October 2021</p> 	<p><u>Spooky Ball</u> An after-school event for the whole school. Limited tickets available. This is a chargeable event and as we are a cashless academy, all bookings and payment must be made via ParentPay. Please ensure that you have activated your child's ParentPay account. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 21st October 2021</p> 	<p>Our academy closes for half-term at the end of the academy day and reopens to pupils again on Tuesday 2nd November 2021.</p>
<p>Friday 22nd October 2021 to Monday 1st November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Academy closed to pupils</u> We wish you all a very happy and safe half term break.</p>

<p>Sunday 31st October 2021</p>  <p>City of Stoke-on-Trent</p>	<p><u>Secondary School 2022 applications</u> This is the closing date for parents / carers wishing to apply for a Secondary School place for September 2022. On-line applications are being encouraged www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions however, should you require a paper copy of the form, please contact the academy office.</p>
<p>Date to be confirmed October / November</p> 	<p><u>Year 6 Height and Weight Checks</u> We are expecting this to happen, currently awaiting confirmation. As part of the National Child Measurement Programme, children are weighed and measured at school. The information is used by the NHS to plan and provide better health services for children. Trained NHS staff will weigh your child and measure their height while they're in their clothes at school. They will make sure the measurements are done sensitively and in private, and your child's results will not be shared with teachers or other children. Letters will be sent home with your child.</p>
<p>Monday 1st November 2021</p>  <p>City of Stoke-on-Trent</p>	<p><u>Junior School 2022 applications</u> This is the opening date for parents / carers wishing to apply for a Year 3 Junior School place for September 2022. www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions</p>
<p>Monday 1st November 2021</p>  <p>City of Stoke-on-Trent</p>	<p><u>Reception 2022 applications</u> This is the opening date for parents / carers wishing to apply for a Reception place for September 2022. www.stoke.gov.uk/admissions</p>
<p>Tuesday 2nd November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Academy reopens to pupils</u></p>
<p>Wednesday 3rd November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Marketing Evening</u> Session starts at 5:30pm. Do you have or do you know anyone who has a child who will be moving from Year 2 to Year 3 in September 2022? Further details will follow shortly regarding how this meeting will take place.</p>
<p>Monday 8th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Year 4 Swimming – Hufflepuff SJ</u> Monday to Thursday. All children must come to school wearing their PE kit and will need to bring a swimming towel and swimming cap. Girls will require a one-piece swimming costume and boys will require trunks (no swimming shorts are allowed).</p>
<p>Thursday 11th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Remembrance Day Assembly led by Year 4</u> More information to follow.</p>

<p>Friday 12th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Children in Need</u> Once again, we will be taking part in Children In Need to help fundraise for the worthwhile projects that Children In Need support across the UK. As we are a cashless academy, all donations will be gratefully accepted via ParentPay. Please ensure that you have activated your child's ParentPay account. More information to follow.</p>
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<p>Monday 15th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Book Fayre</u> More information to follow.</p>
<p>Monday 15th November 2021 to Friday 19th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Anti-Bullying Week</u> 'One Kind Word' has been chosen as the theme of Anti-Bullying Week. The children will be participating. All they need to do is wear odd socks on Monday 15th November! It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week!</p>
<p>Friday 19th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Academy Photographers</u> Families / siblings and individuals. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 25th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Whole School Flu Immunisation Programme</u> Flu is a highly contagious illness and spreads rapidly through coughs and sneezes. Immunising primary school children helps not only to stop the spread of the virus through schools, but also to protect friends and family members, including younger siblings. We will shortly be sending home a link via our text messaging system / ClassDojo to enable you to find out more information as well as guidance on how to complete the e-consent form.</p>
<p>Friday 26th November 2021 & Monday 29th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Inset Days - Academy closed to pupils</u></p>
<p>Tuesday 30th November 2021</p> 	<p><u>Academy reopens to pupils</u></p>

<p>Monday 6th December 2021</p> 	<p><u>Theatre Visit</u> This is a whole school visit to watch Beauty and the Beast at the New Vic Theatre. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to have a theatre experience. This is a chargeable event and as we are a cashless academy, all bookings and payment must be made via ParentPay. Please ensure that you have activated your child's ParentPay account. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 9th December 2021</p> 	<p><u>Christmas Lunch / Christmas Jumper Day</u> Once again, our wonderful school catering team will be serving Christmas dinner. All children are encouraged to participate. Children are also invited to come to school wearing a Christmas jumper. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Thursday 16th December 2021</p> 	<p><u>Carols Around the Tree</u> More information to follow.</p>
<p>Friday 17th December 2021</p> 	<p><u>Christmas Party Day</u> To end an exciting autumn term, children will enjoy a Christmas party day. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Friday 17th December 2021</p> 	<p>Our academy closes at the end of the academy day and reopens to pupils again on Wednesday 5th January 2022.</p>
<p>Monday 20th December 2021 to Tuesday 4th January 2022</p> 	<p><u>Academy closed to pupils</u> We look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.</p>

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