



The Weekly Hill

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Summer 23 Bulletin



Our preparation for the PTFA Summer Fayre is well under way. We thought it would be helpful to pop this reminder of upcoming non-uniform days.

We would be so grateful for your support to help us host a wonderful event, in the following ways:-

Fri 16th June—Non-uniform day in school and we ask for a £1 donation

Fri 30th June—Non-uniform day in school and we ask for a bottle donation for our stall

Fri 7th July—Non-Uniform day in school in return for filled jars for our jar stall

This is also the day to bring in any cakes for the bake off competition (more details to follow),

We are also on the hunt for more raffle prizes for our Summer Raffle if you can donate—thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Overleaf is an updated calendar with added times for events such as Y6 leavers so please do double check this.

HOT WEATHER REMINDER

Please remember to apply sunscreen in the mornings and send your children in with hats and water bottles as on days it is very hot they will not be allowed on the field without these,

LOST PROPERTY

A plea to please name all items we have a huge number of jumpers and cardigans in lost property that do not have names on.

Thanks you.

Farewell & Good Luck

Our much loved, Mrs Pope leaves us next Friday as she embarks on a new career (or calling) in social care/family support.

Mrs Pope has been at Etching Hill for what seems like a life time, from being a parent when her three, now adult children attended the school, to joining as a lunchtime supervisor over 13 years ago, to Teaching Assistant, Forest School Lead and ELSA Pupil Support.

There are so many things that we could say about Mrs Pope; she is quite simply wonderful when undertaking any task asked of her! But without a doubt, it is her caring and nurturing nature, both in everyday interactions with staff, pupils and families, and also with her work as an emotional support for children and parents often at the most difficult of times, that has firmly placed her in the heart of most of us.

Her dedication to Etching Hill has been unquestionable; it is not unusual to find her with a strimmer in her hand at 6pm on a Friday night in the Forest area! She has been a huge asset to our whole school community and she is going to be hugely missed by children and staff. However, we know that she won't be a stranger to us as in addition to just popping in to say hello, her new role involves working with schools in our local area.

I am sure you will join me in thanking Mrs Pope for her service to all at Etching Hill, and wish her lots of luck in her new career.

List of Courses - Summer 2023

Progressive Sports holiday courses guarantee to give you peace of mind as a parent. They are amazing fun for your child and are also led by highly qualified staff in secure and safe environments.

For ages
4-13
years

VENUE	24th – 28th July	31st July – 4th August	7th-11th August	14th – 18th August	21st-25th August	29th Aug – 1st Sept
Chase Terrace Academy, Bridge Cross Road, Burrwood, WS7 2DB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
The de Ferrers Academy, St Mary's Drive, Burton On Trent, DE13 0LL		✓	✓	✓	✓	
The Hart School, Penkridge Bank Road, Rugeley, WS15 2UE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Picknalls First School, Oldfield Road, Uttoxeter, ST14 7QL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Landywood Primary School, Holly Lane, Great Wyrley, WS6 6AQ	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
St Stephen's Primary School, Church Lane, Fradley WS13 8NL		✓	✓			
St Elizabeth's Primary School, Claremont Road, Tamworth, B79 8EN		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Scotch Orchard Primary School, Scotch Orchard, Lichfield, WS13 6DE		✓	✓	✓	✓	
All Saints Primary School, Furlong Close, Alrewas, DE13 7EE		✓	✓	✓	✓	

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24th July - 1st September 2023

Progressive Active Camps <small>Be happy, healthy and active</small>	Early Bird Book Before 23rd June	Advance Book Before 7th July	Standard No deadline for bookings
Daily & Weekly Prices	Individual Days £20 Full Week £89	Individual Days £22 Full Week £94	Individual Days £25 Full Week £99
Early Drop-Off & Late Pick-Up (8.30-9.30 & 4.30-5.30)	£3 per hour	£3 per hour	£4 per hour

Further Discounts: 10% OFF for Siblings

What your child will need...

Please can you make sure children have a **packed lunch, drinks** and **appropriate clothing** for sport.



Call: 01889 343120 | Email: info@progressive-sports.co.uk
Book Online: progressive-sports.co.uk/south-staffordshire/

As you can see above, Progressive Sports are not hosting a Holiday Club at Etching Hill this Summer, they are using The Hart School to give them more space for their sports-themed Holiday Care.

If you wanted an alternative to a Sport Holiday Club, Etching Hill will be the venue for Iguana Art for 4 weeks (Tues-Fri) from 1st August. This Club will be more Art/Craft and Forest School themed (with a little bit of sport).

More information will follow over the next week or so about this Holiday Club.



SUMMER TERM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Date	Event Details
Thurs 15th June	6 Blackman Assembly 9am Parents invited
Thurs 22nd June	EYFS Sports day 9.15am Nursery 10.15am Reception Cross County Finals
Fri 23rd June	Y1—3 Sports Day 9.15am Y4-6 Sports Day 1pm
Weds 28 th June	Y3/4 & Y5/6 Trust Athletics Competition
Wed 5th July	Y6 Beach Day—Weston Super Mare
Thurs 6th July	End of Year Reports to Parents
Fri 7th July	Transition Day—whole school
Thurs 13 th July	Y6 Leavers' performance 6pm in the school Hall
Thurs 20th July	Etching Hill—The Colour Run 2023 Reception— Colour run will be at the end of the school day. Years 1, 2 and 3—Colour run will be 2.00-2.30pm Years 4, 5 and 6—Colour run will be 2.45-3.15pm
Fri 21st July	Y6 Leavers Church Service (Parents Invited—9.15am start)
Fri 21st July	Final day in school for children—2pm finish
24th-25th July	INSET DAYS 4 & 5 —school closed to children
26th July—3rd September	Summer Holidays
4th September	INSET DAY 1 2023-2024 (Insets days 2-5 to be confirmed)
5th September	Return to school for Autumn Term
30th October-3rd November	October Half Term
6th November	Return to school
Friday 22nd December	Break up at 2pm for Christmas Holidays
23rd Dec—7th January 2024	Christmas Holidays
Monday 8th January 2024	Return to school