

SJO Newsletter



Newsletter – 10th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have been reflecting on the story of the compassionate centurion — a man who showed deep care for his servant and remarkable humility despite his position. His actions remind us that we should be kind, look out for others, and recognise that everyone matters. These values have been beautifully echoed in the life of our school recently.

Sports Day wasn't just about races and results — it was a celebration of the way our children care for one another. Just as the centurion focused on the wellbeing of someone in need, we saw pupils cheering for friends, helping each other find their events, and showing humility whether they won or lost. The sunshine, smiling faces, and supportive atmosphere made it a day that truly reflected the heart of our school. It was great to welcome so many of you along and thank you to our older pupils, from Madeley High School, who also helped make the event a huge success!

Our Year 6 pupils stepped into their high school transition days this week, with courage and kindness. Many showed the centurion's spirit by looking out for classmates who felt nervous, offering reassurance, and helping each other navigate new surroundings. They returned excited, confident, and already forming new friendships. Although we will be sad to wave them goodbye next week, they are certainly ready for the move! Equally, here in school, transitions to new classes were extremely positive. Children settled quickly, as they listened, learned, and embraced the next challenge. Their readiness to support one another made the process smooth and joyful.

As we prepare for Saturday's village carnival, our float is ready — complete with prickly hay bales! This is my first time at the Madeley Carnival and I am looking forward to seeing the Parish Council's efforts come together in what will be a super day in the sunshine! A big thank you to Mrs Richards, who was a wizard with our bunting and the children whose work decorates our float too. If you intend to join us as part of the parade, we will do our very best to have as many children on the float that is safely possible; hopefully we can all get on!

As the summer holidays are nearly upon us, I wanted to make you aware of 2 things that may make things a little easier. As a parent myself, I know how hard (and tiring!) it can be to keep boredom at bay without breaking the bank and keep everyone's spirits up! As the centurion cared for others, the government have launched their 'Great British Summer Savings' initiative to help families save some money on a range of activities, including theme parks, restaurants and museums. Follow the link and see if you and others you know can benefit! It's easy to navigate and it may unlock a new favourite place to go!

[Great British Summer Savings](#)

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Also, we know that some of our children can find the summer holidays tricky; not being in a familiar routine, perhaps not sleeping as well or generally feeling out of sorts. Just as the centurion sought help for someone in his care, Staywell is offering free sessions that families can join and get some help and guidance around areas that may be quite specific to them. They are all online, so take a look to see if you or another parent or carer you know, could benefit.

[Staywell Digital Training Sessions for Parents and Carers](#)

We are proud to see these values of the compassionate centurion lived out across our school — in friendships, in teamwork, in transitions, and in community events.

Have a lovely weekend and thank you for your support

Mrs Brown

Headteacher



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W/C 13th July is **week 3** of the lunch menu



Please pre-order any school lunches on the ARBOR APP by 8am.

Please note the following menu change: Wk 2 Tuesdays will be Macaroni Cheese not turkey pasta.

Also on Thursday 19th July we have our special Year 6 Leavers Lunch Day Menu:

Chicken/Quorn Nuggets, Chips, Beans/Sweetcorn & Tomato Ketchup

Vanilla Ice Cream, Sprinkles & Sauce



September 2026

If your child has turned 3 before 31 August 2026, they are eligible to attend Nursery in September 2026.

PUNCTUALITY: BEING ON TIME



- School starts at **8.45 a.m.** (Rec-Y6)
- Children need to arrive on the playground **before** the doors open
- Any child who comes through the office late will have this recorded on the register
- Punctuality is regularly monitored by school and the Education Welfare Officer
- A penalty notice can be issued by the Local Authority for persistent lateness

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Stay Well Digital Training Sessions

July - September 2026 Delivered on MTeams

FREE for Professionals, Parents/Carers and Volunteers working with Children & Young People within Staffordshire.

It is advised (but not compulsory) to complete the introductory course, 'Understanding the Emotional Wellbeing & Mental Health of Children and Young People' before accessing the specialist training sessions.

Please mark with an (X) which sessions you would like to attend and fill out the information below before sending back to training.staywellstaff@changes.org.uk.

You will then receive an email back to confirm your booking.

Understanding the Emotional Wellbeing & Mental Health of Children & Young People

Monday 6th July - 10:30am - 1pm ☐

Tuesday 21st July - 10:30am - 1pm ☐

Friday 7th August - 9am - 1:30pm ☐

Monday 17th August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 1st September - 10:30am - 12pm ☐

Friday 18th September - 9am - 1:30pm ☐

Monday 28th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Dealing with Difficult Emotions (Anger)

Tuesday 14th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 27th July - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 10th August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 25th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 9th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 21st September - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Supporting Children & Young People with Worry & Low Mood

Tuesday 7th July - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 20th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 3rd August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 18th August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 15th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 29th September - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Raising Self-Esteem in Children & Young People

Tuesday 7th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 20th July - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 3rd August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 18th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 15th September - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 29th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

For further training enquiries contact:
Email: training.staywellstaff@changes.org.uk | Tel: 01782 418518

Stay Well Digital Training Sessions

Understanding & Managing Self-Harm in Children & Young People

Monday 13th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 28th July - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Friday 16th August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 24th August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 7th September - 12:30 - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 22nd September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Supporting Children & Young People with Suicidal Thoughts

Monday 13th July - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 28th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 1st August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 24th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 7th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 22nd September - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Understanding Disordered Eating in Children & Young People

Friday 24th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Friday 21st August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Friday 11th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Social Media Awareness/Cyberbullying Support

Friday 10th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Friday 31st July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 4th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Friday 28th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 14th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

LBRTS+ Awareness

Friday 12th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 15th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Friday 4th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Friday 25th September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Supporting Children & Young People with Bereavement & Loss

Wednesday 13th July - 10am - 12pm ☐

Tuesday 11th August - 9am - 11am ☐

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Stay Well Digital Training Session

Supporting Neurodiverse Children & Young People

Tuesday 18th July - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 27th July - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Monday 10th August - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Tuesday 25th August - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

Tuesday 9th September - 12:30pm - 2:30pm ☐

Monday 21st September - 9:30am - 11:30am ☐

PLEASE READ THE BELOW INFORMATION BEFORE BOOKING:

Instructions for Digital Sessions:

- Post Course Questionnaires will be sent via email on completion of the training and must be sent back to receive the training slides and certificate of attendance.
- If you do not receive the Microsoft Teams link and you have confirmation of your booking, please contact: training.staywellstaff@changes.org.uk or call 01782 418518. You will receive the link around 2-7 days in advance, so if you are not in receipt of this, please contact ASAP.
- Please ensure you have access to both audio and video settings during the training session.

Name:	
Job Role (if parent/carer N/A)	
Organisation (if parent/carer N/A)	
Email Address:	

Do you have access to a device with working audio & video? Yes / No

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