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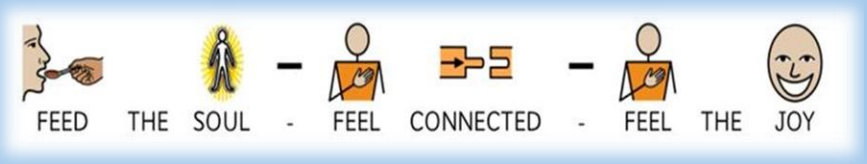
"Living, Learning, Laughing in God's Love"

To be a vibrant learning community in order to flourish in the joy and hope of 'life in all its fullness' (John 10.10)





Lost Property

We have several items of lost property in the school office that do not have names on them. If you think any of these items may belong to your child, please feel free to come to the office and take a look.

We have also had reports of some children missing items of clothing. Please could you check the items your child brings home to ensure that nothing has been taken by mistake.

Thank you for your support.

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IMPORTANT UPDATES

1. SNACK PROVISION FROM SEPTEMBER 26

From 1 September, all schools within the JTMAT will move to a fully cashless payment system, in line with our Cash Handling Policies and Procedures.

Because breaktime snacks are provided by our external caterers, Mellors, until they are able to offer a system for parents to make payments directly to them, the sale of breaktime snacks will cease.

Children aged 4–6 will continue to receive free fruit and vegetables through the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme. Older pupils are very welcome to bring their own healthy snack from home if they wish.

To help us maintain a healthy and safe environment:

- High-sugar or Snacks with more than 1 red sugar label will be returned to you and we will provide your child with a healthy alternative if needed.
- No processed fruit bars, sweets, and chocolate should not be brought into school.
- No products containing nuts are permitted, as we are a nut-free school.

2. WRAP AROUND PRICING FROM SEPTEMBER 26

Following a review of the pricing structure for our wrap around provision and to align with other schools within the JTMAT, please find details below of the pricing from September:

EYFS Wrap Around	3.00pm-3.25pm	£2.50
Breakfast Club	8.00am-8.40pm	£4.50 (includes breakfast)
Afterschool Club	3.25pm-4.30pm	£6.00
Afterschool Club	3.25pm-5.30pm	£11.50
Late Collection Fee		£5.00

PLEASE NOTE THAT FROM **SEPTEMBER 2027** WE WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO OFFER FREE PLACES TO FREE SCHOOL MEAL/PUPIL PREMIUM CHILDREN.

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3. COMMUNICATION FROM SEPTEMBER 26

To help keep communication clear and consistent across school, we're updating our systems with effect from 1st September.

🌟 **Using Class Dojo**

Class Dojo will continue to be our space for:

- **Class stories**
- **Sharing photos** of learning and special moments
- **Celebrating events**
- **Teacher updates** and important information for families

🗣 **When you need to speak with a member of staff**

If you need to discuss anything beyond general class updates:

- Please **catch the teacher** at the start or end of the day, or
- **Contact the school office** to arrange a telephone conversation.

Teachers will aim to respond to messages **within 48 hours**. If a concern relates to **safeguarding**, it will be passed immediately to the **Designated Safeguarding Lead**.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we make these transitions.

Changes to School Holiday INFORMAL POLL 2026

Walton on Trent Primary and Nursery School - Changes to School Holiday INFORMAL POLL 2026 – Fill in form

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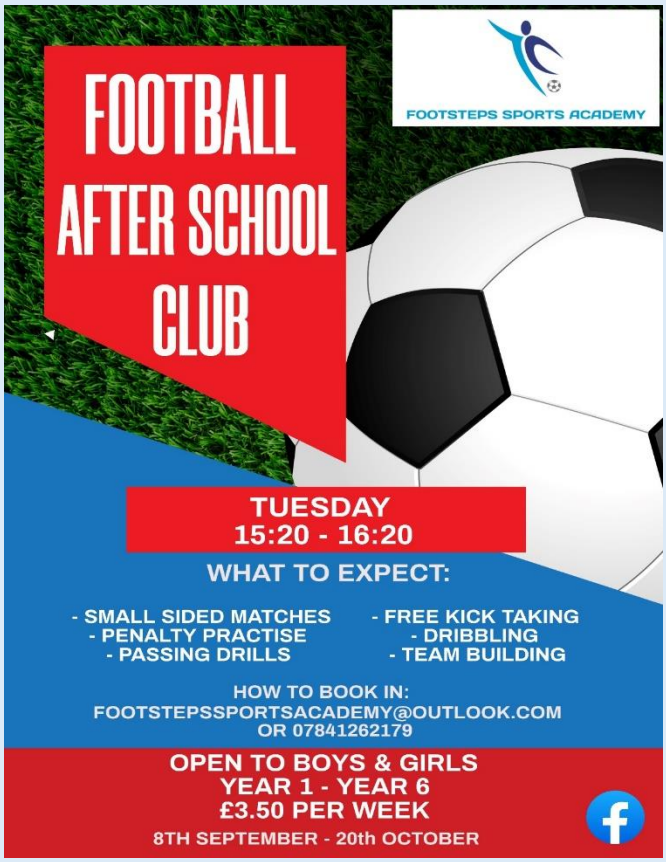



InclusiveKidsClubs
Explore, learn, grow

We are so excited to be offering the following clubs!

All prices and dates are on our booking system

Awesome Artists
Stop Motion Masters

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Awesome Artists (Monday)

Awesome Artists is a fun and inspiring after- school club where children can explore a wide range of art styles and techniques. Each week, we'll get creative with sketching, painting, watercolours, and collage, using different materials to bring our ideas to life. We'll also learn about famous artists from around the world — past and present — to inspire our own masterpieces. Whether your child loves to draw, paint, or experiment with new styles, Awesome Artists is the perfect place to express creativity, build confidence, and have fun through art!

Stop Motion Masterss (Wednesday)

Join the Stop Motion Masters club, where children from Reception to Year 6 can discover the magic of stop-motion animation! In this exciting club, students will learn the steps of creating their own stop-motion films, from planning and making to editing their projects. Using a variety of materials, such as play dough, paper, and toys, kids will have the chance to bring their ideas to life through creativity and fun. Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, this club is a fantastic way to explore the world of animation and become a stop-motion master!

To book: Scan the QR code or visit us at our website www.inclusivekidsclubs.co.uk

Booking is deemed acceptance of our Terms&Conditions. Available on our website and booking system.

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Dates for your Diary

ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027	
Monday 28th September onwards	Collections of dried/ tinned foods open for Harvest Service. PTFA AGM for 28th September at 5.30 please - in person or online- all welcome.
Thursday 1stOctober	School Census Day: The menu is below
Friday 2nd October	Harvest Service in Church @ 9.30am
Friday 9th October	Hello Yellow come to school wearing something yellow to support YoungMinds
Tuesday 20th October	Parents Evening 3.30pm-7.30pm
Wednesday 21st October	Parents Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm
Friday 23rd October	Individual photographs & Siblings
Mon 26th – Fri 30th October	HALF-TERM WEEK



Shine Awards

Class	Star of the Week	Take Care Champion
Hedgehogs	Rory	Willow
Squirrels	Frankie	Sid
Owls	Nate	Logan
Foxes	Jamie	Eleena
Badgers	George	Amarah
Head Teachers Awards		
Frankie	Martha	Poppy

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Parking Safely around our school

Community Notice



Parking Safely Around Our Schools

Every weekday morning and afternoon, the streets around our schools become a hive of activity. Children, parents, cyclists, and drivers come together, creating a potentially dangerous environment. The areas around schools present a unique set of challenges:

- Young children can be easily distracted and could run into the road without looking.
- Heavy traffic and illegal parking can make visibility difficult for pedestrians and drivers.
- Despite initiatives like 20mph zones, speeding is still a significant concern for parents, with speed being a factor in a quarter of fatal crashes.
- Children and adults can be distracted by mobile phones, which can lead to accidents.

Road traffic injuries are the biggest cause of death among young people worldwide, and six children are killed or seriously injured on roads every day in the UK.

The Safer Neighbourhood Team and Safer South Derbyshire Partnership have recently had reports relating to dangerous parking issues at some schools in our district. We want parents to make sure they park safely, responsibly, and legally as we don't want to see anyone hurt.

We would ask parents/guardians not to park on school zig zags, double yellow lines and across household driveways near schools.

It is illegal to park on 'School Keep Clear' markings, or zig zag markings. Yellow lines on the road also show that parking restrictions are in place.

'School Keep Clear' markings outside schools are there for the safety of children and other pedestrians. They are there to keep the area completely clear of vehicles at school start and finish times.

Motorists seen parking or stopping to drop off passengers in a school keep clear zone can be fined.

Help us to keep the roads around schools safe when you're driving:

- Stick to the speed limits around schools and be prepared to slow down further during busy periods. A child hit by a car at 30mph is five times more likely to be fatally injured than at 20mph.
- Do not use your mobile phone or eat or adjust the radio while driving, as even a moment's lapse in concentration can be dangerous.
- Always stop when instructed to by a school crossing patrol person.
- Never park illegally on zig-zag markings or double yellow lines, which are designed to ensure clear visibility for children and other drivers around schools.

Derbyshire Police will be monitoring school parking concerns, working with schools and civil enforcement officers who manage the enforcement of on street parking regulations like double/single yellow lines and enforceable school keep clear zones. Further information around parking offences/enforcement can be found at:- https://www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/transport-and-roads/parking-enforcement.

Creating safer school environments requires action from everyone. Local authorities, schools, parents, and drivers all have a vital role to play.

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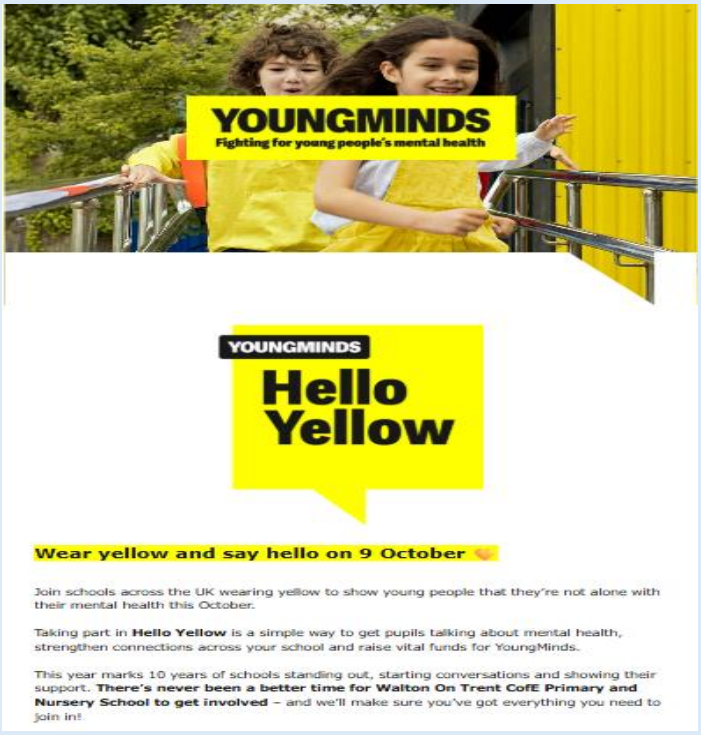

On the 9th October we would like your child to come wearing yellow to support YoungMinds. If you can make a donate on the link below not matter how small or big it will be gratefully appreciated. This is on behalf of the school.

YoungMinds - Jo Hinton

Safeguarding question for children

Trusted Adults - Who are the trusted adults you can talk to if something worries you?

Answer: A trusted adult is someone who keeps you safe, listens kindly, and helps

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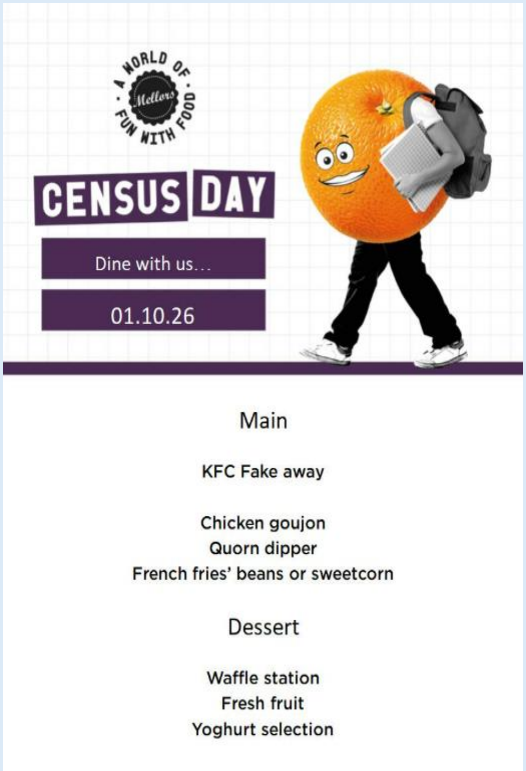
Lunch Menu

Week 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main dish	Creamy tomato pasta	Sausage rolls Potato wedges	Roast Chicken Roast potatoes	Please see below	Crispy battered fish French fries
Veggie option	Tomato and herb pasta	Cheese and onion rolls Potato wedges	Roasted Quorn Roast Potatoes		Quorn dippers French fries
Accompaniments	Peas or sweetcorn Salad bar	Baked beans or green beans Salad bar	Cabbage or carrots Salad bar		Peas or baked beans Salad bar
Desserts	Choc crispie cakes	Iced sprinkle cake	Chocolate cookie		Ice cream
Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt	Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt		Fresh fruit *or* Yoghurt
Jacket potato With cheese, Tuna or Baked Beans	Jacket potato	Jacket potato	Jacket potato		Jacket potato

We will also be offering a limited number of Sandwiches (Ham or Cheese)



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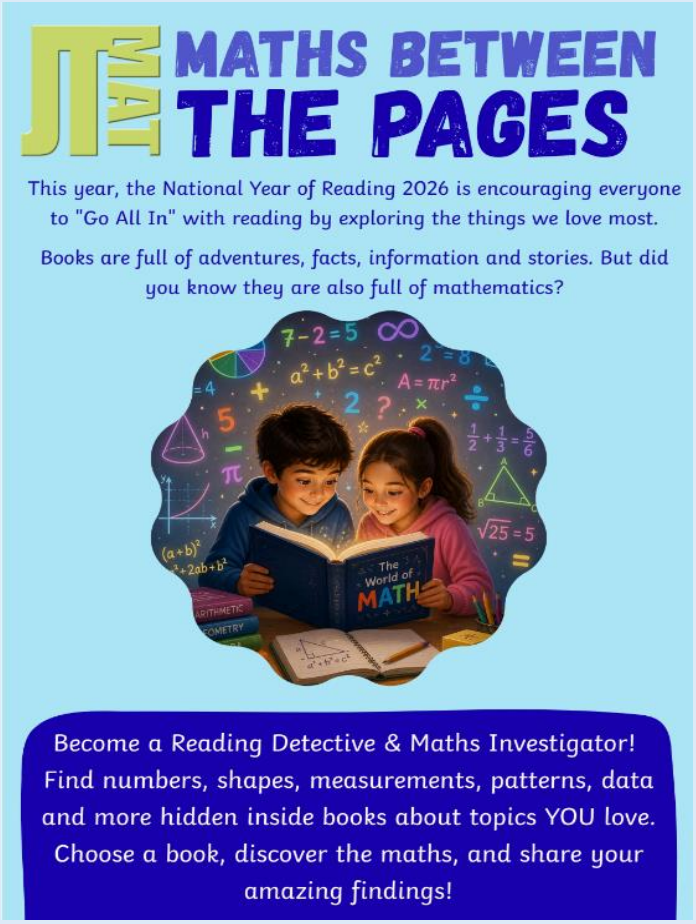
Subject Excellence Award 2026/27



The deadline for this if you would like to take part is 16th October 2026

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Secondary Open Evenings coming up

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/john-taylor-high-school-open-evening-2026-tickets-2000005484242?aff=oddtdtcreato r Pl ease click on the link to book on.

John Taylor High School

Home of the John Taylor Teaching School Hub

Open Evening for September 2027 starters



For current Year 6 pupils who start Year 7 in 2027. Please spread the word if you/anyone you know who would be interested.

John Taylor High School welcomes Year 6 parents & children to join us for our School Open Evening on Thursday 22nd October 2026. Discover what our school can offer your child by attending a presentation and a self-guided tour of our school's classrooms and facilities.

- Presentation 1 (6pm) & Self-guided tour (6.40pm)
- Self-guided tour only (6pm-8.15pm)
- Presentation 2 (7pm – this a a repeat from 6pm)

This is a free, ticketed event. Use the link below for more information and to book your tickets: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/john-taylor-high-school-open-evening-2026-tickets-2000005484242?aff=oddtdtcreator

