



Newsletter

Date: 12th December 2025

Excellence | Kindness | Respectful

Key Dates

ASPIRE Day &
Year 7/8 Chester Zoo Trip
16 December 2025

Christmas Holidays
22 December – 4 January 2026

Return to school
5 January 2026

Reward Trip
9 January 2026

Year 9
Photo's
14 January 2026

Year 9
Parents' Evening
15 January 2026

[Parent Calendar-Click here](#)

Message from Mrs Shoreman

As we approach the final week of 2025, I want to thank everyone for the fantastic comeback in attendance this week. With so many exciting events planned for next week, I'm confident this positive trend will continue, truly reflecting the spirit of Christmas – spending time together as a school community and celebrating all that makes our school special.

Here's what's coming up:

- Wednesday: Traditional Christmas Dinner, prepared by Taylor Shaw catering team – a classic turkey dinner with all the trimmings.
- Friday: Annual Christmas Jumper Day (or wear a red or green top) for a £1 donation. Please remember we finish at 1:00pm. Please bring equipment and iPads as normal lessons will take place in the morning.
- Friday Assembly: The early anticipated '12 Days of Christmas' performance – if you know, you know! A clear sign that Christmas has arrived.

Thank you for your continued support and for helping us make this festive season memorable for all.

Celebration Slips / House Points

Wedgwood House 388 points	Moorcroft House 412 points	Duchess House 433 points
3rd	2nd	1st

Values in Action

This year as a school we are supporting a local community project aimed at helping local families over the Christmas period. Our thanks to all those who have already donated, demonstrating our core value of kindness.

The deadline for bringing in any gifts will be Monday 15th December. We will then ensure these are delivered next week ready for distribution to local families. Thank you.



Attendance



Year 7
95.43%



Year 8
92.65%



Year 9
89.8%



Year 10
91.59%



Year 11
91.04%

Whole school
92.23%

[Attendance info-Click here](#)

Personal Potential

Last week has seen our pupils showcasing their talents for all to see. A big thank you to Ben, Dannii and Alex for their performances at our Awards Evening.

A massive well done to all pupils who represented the school on stage at the bi-annual WAT conference performing in front of thousands and to those pupils who took part in the making of the WAT video that was shown at the conference.

Year Group Update

Year 7

Go Year 7! Your attendance has been amazing this term, you've shown real energy and commitment, and we're super proud of you! And don't forget...the Year 7 Disco is on Thursday 18th December. Get your moves ready — it's going to be a great night just before the end of term!

Year 8

Well done Year 8! You've come second in the whole school for attendance which is a fantastic achievement! Let's keep it up and aim even higher. We're also really proud of how confidently you've all settled into Year 8. Great start, Year 8!

Year 9

We really need a big push with attendance this term, and every day in school makes a difference. If your child is well enough to attend, please encourage them to be in, there are plenty of exciting rewards up for grabs for fabulous attendance! Let's work together and make a strong Year 9 comeback!

Year 10

As we move toward the end of term, we want to remind all Year 10 students of the importance of excellent attendance—every lesson counts and makes a real difference to your progress.

Year 11

Congratulations to all Year 11 students on receiving your mock GCSE results—your hard work and progress is fantastic to see. We're excited to continue supporting you through Period 7 sessions and are especially proud of those attending Saturday School as you push towards your final goals.

Student Leadership

STB students made history by hosting the first ever live school debate in the Staffordshire County Council chambers! 🏛️ ✨ Our prefects — William, Sophia, Danni, Charlotte, Ava, Lily, Leon, Edward, Harry, Lexie, Laila, Nymeasha and Simran — delivered an outstanding debate on **whether AI should be allowed in schools**, supported by the County Chairman and local councillors. Their leadership, maturity, and professionalism showcased exactly why STB was chosen for this prestigious event. Another unforgettable Boughey moment, led by incredible young people. 🇬🇧

📺 **Watch the full debate:** <https://loom.ly/lmzyjfm>



Safeguarding and welfare

Before you...



THINK!

T = Is it True?
H = Is it Helpful?
I = Is it Inspiring?
N = Is it Necessary?
K = Is it Kind?

Top FIVE tips to keep you safe online

1. Keep personal information private.
2. Update privacy settings regularly. Is it private?
3. Only shop online from secure sites. Look for the padlock.
4. Choose strong passwords. Use a mix of numbers, letters and special characters.
5. Choose online friends wisely. Don't talk to strangers!