



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to welcome the children back after half term. Our summer term is long - almost 8 weeks, and there are lots of different events happening. Please keep an eye on Class Dojo and on the newsletter for information.

I am sad to announce that Mrs. Cavanagh has decided to retire at the end of this academic year. She has been part of the school team for 10 years. We wish her every happiness for this exciting chapter of her life and thank her for everything she has done for Melbourne Junior School.

Next year, we are intending to extend the number of year groups who benefit from a residential visit. We are hoping to arrange a one-night visit for Year 4 in December, a two-night visit in May for Year 5 and a city-based visit for Year 6. Class teachers will be in touch with more details once these have been confirmed.

I am now in a position to confirm which teachers will teach in each year group from September.

Year 3 & 4:

Mrs. Missin
Miss Pritchard
Mr Radburn
Mrs. Donnachie (Maths)

Year 5:

Mrs. van Rooyen and Mrs. Fowkes
Mrs. Green and Mrs. Harden

Year 6:

Miss Price
Mrs. Pegg and Mrs. Banks

Mrs. Wilkinson will continue to provide PPA and leadership cover across the school.

Please bear in mind that individual requests for specific teachers are very difficult to accommodate fairly.

Kind regards,

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SEND events

Wellbeing Session – You're Not Broken Understanding Anxiety in Parent Carers



Feeling overwhelmed or anxious?

You're not alone — and you're not broken.
Join us for a gentle and supportive wellbeing session designed especially for parent carers. Together, we'll explore what anxiety is, why it happens, and simple ways to feel calmer and more in control.



Thursday 25th June
10:00am – 11:15am
Online via Microsoft Teams



In this session, we'll look at:

- How anxiety is created
 - The role of thoughts and brain chemistry
 - Practical ways to manage overwhelming moments
- We'll finish with a calming relaxation exercise — so feel free to bring a cosy blanket and create a comfortable space.

Led by Nicole Woodcock, Hummingbird Hypnotherapy

To book your place please visit
<https://derbyshireparentforums.co.uk/>

Talking Together About Relationships & Sex Education

For Parents of Children and Young People with SEND



We know that conversations about relationships, growing up, and sexual development can feel daunting — especially when your child has additional needs. You don't have to navigate it alone.

Join us for a friendly, informative workshop led by Claire Lightley, a specialist in Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). Claire previously worked with FPA (the national sexual health charity) and now runs Bodysense Education, supporting families and professionals across the UK.

- **Thursday 25th June 2026**
- **10:00am – 11:15am**
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What we'll cover:

- Understanding puberty and body changes
- Supporting your child with periods
- Using clear, safe language around body parts and sex
- Self-stimulation: what's typical, and how to respond
- Helping your child understand public and private behaviours
- What to expect as your child gets older
- Time for group questions plus the option to ask private questions



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Have your say on the EHC Hub



We want to hear from parent carers across Derbyshire
We're working in partnership with Derbyshire County Council to gather feedback on the EHC Hub.

Why your voice matters

Help us understand what's working well
Share any challenges you've experienced
Tell us what would make the Hub better for families
Your feedback will help shape improvements to the EHC Hub.

Who can take part?

Parent carers currently using the Hub
Those who have used it in the past
Even if you're unsure or haven't used it much
All experiences are important

To complete the survey please visit
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Thank you
Your experiences help us represent parent carers and influence change

Weekly attendance

Whole school attendance for this week (2nd – 5th June 2026) has been: 95.54%

Well done to Squirrel class which had 98.91% attendance this week.

Diary dates

Date	What's On
16 th June 2026	Y4 trip to Derby Museum and Derby Cathedral
22 nd June 2026	Y5 trip to Cadbury World
23 rd June 2026	Y6 trip to Harry Potter World
30 th June 2026	Year 2 new parents meeting
7 th July 2026	Disco night
8 th and 9 th July 2026	Transition days
14 th July – morning	Sports Day
Monday 20 th July	Y6 trip to Staunton Harold Sailing Club
Wednesday 22 nd July	9.15am Year Leavers Assembly Afternoon – Year 6 Leavers party
Friday 4 th September 2026	INSET day
Monday 7 th September	Start of autumn term
Wednesday 16 th December	Whole school trip to see 'The Railway Children' at Derby Theatre