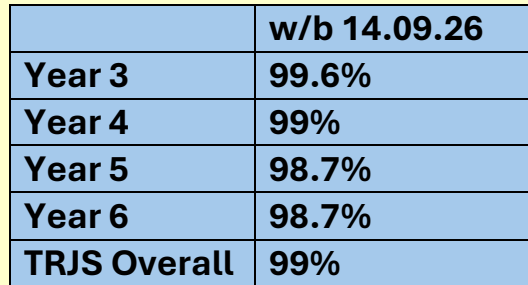


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Survey from the Children's Commissioner

Here is a message from the Children's Commissioner. The survey is best done with a parent to help. It only takes a few minutes.

Every child's voice matters, and I want to make sure that children and young people in every school and college, in every community, have the opportunity to shape the picture of childhood that I will share with Government. Thank you for your support in helping to make sure your pupils' voices are heard as we begin the new school year.

Yours sincerely,

Dame Rachel de Souza

The link for the survey is: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/TheBigFuture/>

Buggingham Palace

Dr Jane Veevers, who runs Woodland Warriors, is planning to do a session in school time for each class over the Autumn Term. During an afternoon, Jane will work with the children to create a "Bug Hotel". On that afternoon, children will need to bring outdoor clothing and wellies to change into. A letter is going out to all parents today. The school is funding the majority of the cost of this activity, but we ask for a voluntary contribution of £2.50 per child to help cover costs. We know the children love being out in nature and we look forward to creating a wonderful place for insects to flourish in our school grounds. The first session is for 3H on Thursday 24 September.



TRJS Calendar

Please find the TRJS calendar for the year ahead attached to the newsletter. We will also upload a copy to the school website. We will endeavour to update parents as and when new dates are added/amended. We will put the new dates/changes in RED. We hope you find this useful.

Some dates coming up include:

- Individual photographs on Monday 28 September (comb your hair and come extra smart)
- "Meet the Teacher" on Tuesday 29 September (Y4), Wednesday 30 September (Y5) and Thursday 1 October (Y3), where parents are invited to pop into the classroom at 3.30 to meet the teacher so we can clarify the routines for the year and answer any questions you may have.
- Year 6 Parent Meeting on Monday 28 September at 6pm
- Y4 Trip to Packington on Tuesday 22 and 23 September

HT Recruitment and JTMAT Update

The governors of TRJS and the JTMAT central team have been working with the Local Authority to recruit a new headteacher for TRJS, to start in January 2027. Some candidates visited the school this week and the school council from Y4,5,6 (in addition to the House Captains in Year 6) asked them some very tricky questions. The children were a credit to the school and parents should be very proud of them. We hope to be able to inform parents shortly about the next headteacher.

As parents are aware, we are completing the due diligence as we move towards converting to join JTMAT. We had hoped that this process would be completed by December. However, it may be early in 2027 before the school is officially part of JTMAT. We will endeavour to keep parents informed as the process progresses.

Stay Well Digital Training Sessions

October-December 2026



Stay Well offer a series of free online training sessions via Microsoft Teams, open to parents, carers, and professionals across Staffordshire. Many parents face a number of challenges. You are not alone. Please find attached the topics for training for the Autumn Term 2026. Anyone interested in attending can complete the attached form with their chosen session(s), date, and time, and return it to training.staywellstaffs@changes.org.uk

Session topics include:

- Emotional Health & Wellbeing of Children & Young People (4.5 Hour Introduction Course)
- Raising Self-Esteem
- Managing Difficult Emotions (Anger)
- Self-Harm Awareness
- Suicide Awareness
- Supporting Worry & Low Mood
- LGBTQ+ Awareness
- Understanding Disordered Eating
- Social Media Awareness
- Bereavement & Loss
- Neurodiversity

If you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive updated schedules each quarter, please contact: kayleigh.harris@changes.org.uk

Wishing everyone a pleasant weekend.

J Emery