



Thomas Russell Infants' School

'Our children blossom through nurture and challenge'

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Over the six week holiday, join the 'Ready Set Read' crew for the 2023 Summer Reading Challenge. You can register online NOW in your local Staffordshire library from Saturday 8th July 2023!

Ready, Set, Read! is the name of the game and this year, the theme is sports and games - put simply, we're all ready to have fun and keep active. Are you up for the Challenge? Our superstar team - Naveen, Naomi, Noah, Sophia, Ollie and Alesha - are ready to go. So pick your fave and let's get reading this summer!

You can register to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge at Barton Library, where you can pick up a fun pack from Saturday 8th July and follow Sophia's obstacle course with the team. Hidden along the obstacle course are six golden books. Each time the team complete an obstacle, they will collect a golden book - and to cross the finish line, you'll need to collect all six.

You can also sign up NOW online: https://api.readingagency.org.uk/users/sign_up Set a reading goal and log your books on your profile. When you reach your goal, you will unlock some digital goodies! On the website, you will also find amazing books, awesome author videos, and plenty of printable activities and online games.

We can all work together to help put our school on top of the leaderboard for the coveted Burton District trophy - awarded to schools with the highest number of participants who successfully complete the Summer Reading Challenge! The school with the highest number of children completing the Summer Reading Challenge compared to number on roll will win the trophy and £150 to spend on books for school

Find out more at: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/home-zone-src>

Congratulations

This week we were delighted to learn that Aemilia in Year 1 is the overall Key Stage 1 winner of the JTMAT Science subject excellence competition. Aemilia produced a beautiful leaflet all about the space that clearly impressed the judges! Well done Aemilia, we hope that you wear your winners



Year 2 visit to Tamworth Castle

Year 2 enjoyed a super visit to Tamworth Castle last week as part of their history topic. The children were given a tour of the castle, looking at the different defence features. There was the opportunity to dress up and also walk around the top of the turrets. Everyone had a lovely day—a big thank you to the PTA who funded the cost of the coaches for the trip.



Raring2Go Magazine

The magazine covering July and August is now available.

Please see the link below.

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/burtonandashby/summer2023/>



Sensory Learning

We are looking for items that will help the children's sensory learning such as fidget toys, sand tray, cushions, throws, rugs and a mini ball pit. If anyone has any spare items they are able to donate we would be very grateful. Thank you.

Casual lunchtime supervisor vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. If you would like any further information please contact the school office.

Dates for your Diary

Lunch menu from Monday 10th of July is Week 3

Fri 7 July - Inset Day—school closed to children

(Staff JTMAT Training Day)

Tue 11 July - Y2 music performance pm

2MS—1.30

2W—2.00

**Wed 19 July - Y2 Leavers assembly to parents
2.00pm**

Thu 20 July - Leavers party 3.15pm—5.00pm

Fri 21 July - Last day of term

Mon 4th Sept- Inset Day - School closed to children

Tue 5 September - Children return to school



We hope you have a lovely weekend

Mrs Burton and Mrs Moore