



School Newsletter

Friday 24th January 2025

'You must love one another as I have loved you.' John 13 v 34.

Working together with love we will provide a happy and nurturing environment where all will, **'learn to love and love to learn'**, making outstanding progress through an enriched and creative curriculum. Through our strong Christian ethos we will celebrate and embrace the richness of our community.

Learn to Love - Love to Learn

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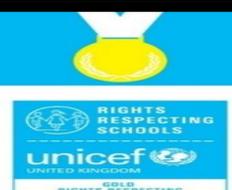


This year's [RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch](#) runs from 24th to 26th January 2025. At the time of my writing this, almost **328,000 people have *already* signed up**, so we're well on track to beat the over 600,000 people across the UK who participated last year! (Wow!) Why not join them? Help nature by taking part in this fun event on your own or with friends and family. You can do it just about anywhere, too—no garden necessary, and it just takes one hour.

Children are being encouraged to spot and identify birds that they see around school, particularly as they feed on the many bird feeders that have placed around the school grounds.

WE ARE A UNICEF GOLD RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL

Children's rights are learned, understood and lived in this school.



What did you see?

How many birds of the same kind did you count at the same time?



Your name



House Sparrow

I saw



Blackbird

I saw



Blue Tit

I saw



Robin

I saw



Starling

I saw



Chaffinch

I saw



Woodpigeon

I saw



Magpie

I saw

For more information, scan the code or visit: rspb.org.uk/schoolswatch





WaterAid



Water Aid

Friday 7th February 9.00am

4S and 4G Water Aid Presentation In Church

Parents and Carers Welcome



**Clean water.
Decent toilets.
Good hygiene.**

**What can
you do to
help?**





Friday 14th February
NSPCC Number Day 2025

We'll be joining thousands of schools and nurseries taking part in our fun-filled day of maths on **Friday 14th February.**

This year, Claire Rose (NSPCC Lead) and Buddy will be visiting classes to raise the profile of the work the NSPCC does to support vulnerable children across the country.

Children are invited to attend school in number themed non-uniform, in exchange for a voluntary donation in support of the NSPCC.



School Nurse Service

Your School Nurse service offer FREE virtual workshops for Parents/Carers

Are you a Parent/Carer of a child or young person who is struggling with any of the following:

Sleep

Behaviour

Emotions

Toileting (*training and/or common problems*)

Healthy Lifestyles

Fussy Eating

Bedwetting

Scan the QR code for more information



**Do you need advice and support about other health issues?
You can call our Single Point of Access on 01922 423349.**

We have resources to help you:

- Health for Teen Website for teenagers: www.healthforteens.co.uk
- Health for Kids Website for children: www.healthforkids.co.uk
- School Nursing Service Webpages: www.walsallhealthcare.nhs.uk/our-services/school-nursing
- ChatHealth – text messaging service to contact a School Nurse for advice
 - Teen ChatHealth - 07480 635363
 - Parent ChatHealth - 07520 634909

HCP 0-19 Service

Are you a parent/carer of a child/young person with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities?

Our SEND Team are offering weekly drop-in sessions covering the following:



Toileting

Behaviour



Fussy Eating

Sleep



Emotions

🕒 9:30am-11:30am

📅 Every Thursday

📍 Child Development Centre, Coalheath Lane, Walsall, WS4 1NG

If you require advice and support from the Health Visiting Service, School Nurse Service or any of our teams, please contact our **Single Point of Access** on **01922 603074** or **send a text explaining your concerns** with your **child's name, date of birth** and **NHS number** to **07520 634909**.



Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrc0.de/minfec>.

Term Dates

2024/25 academic year

Autumn term 2024

Term ends: Friday 20 December 2024

Spring term 2025

Term starts: Monday 6 January 2025

Half term holiday: Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025

Term ends: Friday 11 April 2025

Summer term 2025

Term starts: Monday 28 April 2025

Half term holiday: Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025

Term ends: Monday 21 July 2025

INSET Days / Non– Pupil Days

Half term holiday: Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025

Term ends: Monday 21 July 2025

~~INSET 1– Monday 2 September 2024~~

~~INSET 2– Wednesday 25th September 2024~~

INSET 3– Wednesday 29th January 2025

INSET 4– Wednesday 25th June 2025

INSET 5– Monday 21 July 2025



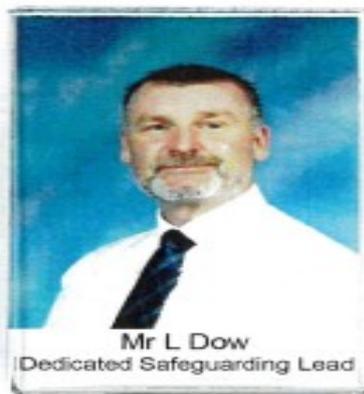
St Giles' CE Primary School **Safeguarding Team**



Mr Mark Dakin
Headteacher



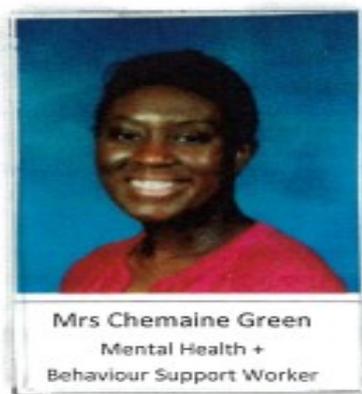
Mrs Harsimrat Kaur Mavi
Deputy Headteacher



Mr L Dow
Dedicated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Lindsey Leonowicz
Safeguarding Manager



Mrs Chemaine Green
Mental Health +
Behaviour Support Worker



Cllr. Simran Cheema
Safeguarding Governor

Safeguarding at St Giles' CE Primary School

2024/25

If you have any Safeguarding Concerns please contact

Mr Dow on:

07932 708724

ldow@st-giles.walsall.sch.uk

NSPCC ™

HELPLINE

0808 800 5000

help@nspcc.org.uk

If you have any concerns about a child, trust your instincts and contact the NSPCC Helpline. Our specialist team will listen, advise and take any action needed.

An estimated 1 in 20 children have experienced sexual abuse. And child sexual abuse is under-reported by adults. It's time for that to change.

It's never too soon to talk to us. And what you share could make a life-changing difference to a child.

You can contact the NSPCC Helpline by calling 0808 800 5000, emailing help@NSPCC.org.uk or completing our report abuse online form.

Due to an increase in demand across our service, our voice Helpline is currently available 11am–5pm Monday to Friday. You can still email help@NSPCC.org.uk or complete our report abuse online form at any time for free. You don't have to say who you are.

If you think a child is in immediate danger, please call the police on 999 straight away.