



Coaley Church of England Academy

Headteacher: Miss Jen Thomas

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Friday 26th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe how quickly the weather has shaped and reshaped our plans over the past few weeks. Not long ago, we were informed of the cancellation of District Sports events due to persistent wet weather, and yet this week we have experienced quite the opposite, with an extreme heatwave upon us. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all parents and carers for your understanding and flexibility as we have made necessary amendments to the school day. As always, the health, safety and wellbeing of our pupils remain our top priority, and your support has enabled us to respond thoughtfully and sensitively. I would also like to thank our dedicated staff team, who have adapted routines where needed while ensuring that a sense of normality has been maintained for the children, all whilst finding creative ways to keep everyone as cool and comfortable as possible... including an invitational water pistol cool down!



Earlier this year, many of you will remember Councillor Gill Thomas, visiting us dressed as a Womble to launch her wonderful litter-picking campaign 'Litter Pickers for Little Pickers'. After many hours of fundraising and commitment, I am delighted to share that Gill has now completed her mission, providing hundreds of schools across Stroud with a fantastic selection of litter pickers. We were incredibly fortunate to receive a huge donation of litter pickers, along with a collection of brand new books to inspire us all to take better care of our environment. Gill also spent time meeting with me and our Eco-Leaders to discuss where the equipment will be stationed around school. It was particularly heartening to hear how many children were keen to borrow the litter pickers over the weekends to help keep their local areas clean and tidy- an excellent example of our school vision in action, as a family, we flourish.



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We were also pleased to welcome representatives from the Safer Swim and Drowning Prevention campaign, who delivered important sessions on water safety. This was especially timely, as many children have been talking about ways they are keeping cool, including paddling pools and visits to local water spots. The knowledge shared will undoubtedly help our pupils to stay safe while enjoying the warmer weather.





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Starlings Class enjoyed a wonderful visit to the Corinium Museum earlier this week, where the cool surroundings provided a welcome escape from the heat. The children returned absolutely buzzing, eager to share the fascinating facts they had learnt about the Romans and the incredible artefacts they had seen. A huge thank you goes to Miss Davenport and Mrs Phillips for organising such an enriching experience, and to Mrs Walker and our fantastic parent helper for supporting the visit- your time and support are very much appreciated.



Finally, I would like to thank our whole school and local community for your continued support. I very much look forward to seeing many of you at Coaleyfest on Saturday and/or at our School Assembly sing-along on Sunday afternoon, both taking place on the school field. A huge thank you to everyone who has been involved behind the scenes in planning and organising these events—we are certainly in for a very special weekend.

Thank you for your continued support,

Best wishes,

Jen Thomas

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SCHOOL ASSEMBLY SING-A-LONG

FREE EVENT!!



EVENT ORGANISED BY:



SUNDAY 28TH JUNE
14:00 - 16:00
COALEY SCHOOL FIELD

Following on from CoaleyFest, we are hosting a community sing-a-long on the school playing field. Come and join us for an afternoon celebrating the classic hymns and songs we all remember from our school assemblies.

During the afternoon we will be sharing a mixture of nostalgic songs, childhood stories, and funny tales & poems.

Bring a picnic, a chair or a blanket, your friends & family, get the lyrics up* and be prepared to sing like you're 8 again!

LIVE MUSIC || LIGHT REFRESHMENTS FAMILY CRAFTS || PICNIC SPACE



*Bring a smartphone to access the e-hymn book.

- No Smoking, No Alcohol & No Dogs Allowed.

FIND OUT MORE & REQUEST A SONG...



<https://forms.office.com/r/j7ryQ0vgud>

The Great British Summer Saving Scheme



- Running from 25th June to 1st September 2026
- Reduced VAT on days out including tickets at attractions like soft play, adventure centres and theme parks, children's tickets for theatres and cinemas and children's meals in restaurants
- Children aged 5 to 15 in England will also be able to travel free on local bus services throughout August
- For further information about the scheme visit [Summer Savings](#).



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Dates for the Diary

Summer 2

27.6.26- Coaleyfest

1.7.26, 2.00-3.00- NEW Reception Stay & Play (2)

9.7.26, 9.00am- RockSteady Concert

17.7.26, 9.00am Leavers Service in Church

17.7.26, 1.00pm Leavers Worship in school hall

17.7.26, 1.30- End of Term 6

COALEYFEST '26



Please may I thank all of you who continue to park respectfully and legally. We continue to work closely with Coaley Parish Council, who are supporting the monitoring of parking along the road. Over the past fortnight, there have been two reports of vehicles being parked across driveways, which have been referred to our local PCSO to address.



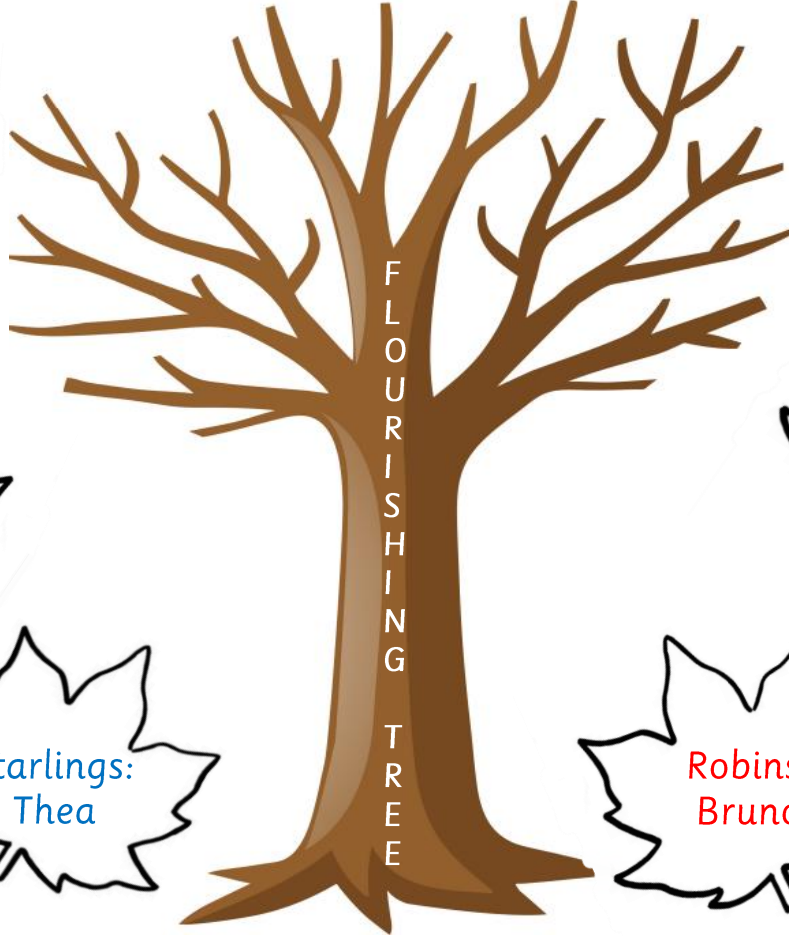
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Leaf Certificate

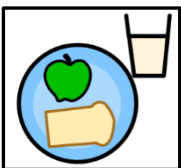


Values Certificate



Robins	Edith	Arthur
Starlings	Rowan	Will
Owls	Fenn	Alice

Lunchtime Certificate



Honey