

The Stretham Scoop

Friday 4th September 2026

A bi-weekly roundup of what's happening in our school!



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our families as we begin the new academic year. To those who are joining our school community for the first time, welcome. We are delighted to have you with us and hope that you and your child quickly feel a strong sense of belonging in our school community. To our returning families, welcome back. We hope you have enjoyed a happy and restful summer and are looking forward to the year ahead. We have been very much looking forward to seeing our pupils return, ready for all that the year will bring.

A Welcome from Our New Headteacher, Mrs Swann

It is a real privilege to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of Stretham Community Primary School. I am delighted to be joining such a special school community and am very much looking forward to getting to know our pupils, families and staff over the coming weeks and months. It has been clear to me from the outset that this is a school with a strong sense of community and a genuine commitment to helping every child flourish and achieve their potential. I feel incredibly fortunate to be taking on this role and am passionate about building on our vision of 'Achieving Potential Together As a School Family', so that every child feels safe, valued and included, and has the confidence, encouragement and opportunities to thrive. I know that welcoming a new Headteacher is an important change for a school, and I want you to know that I am committed to listening, building positive relationships and working in genuine partnership with you. I look forward to meeting many of you personally over the coming weeks. In the meantime, thank you for the warm welcome I have already received.



Staffing News

We are very pleased to share the lovely news that one of our Year 3 teachers, Mrs O'Brian, is expecting a baby. We are delighted for her and her family and wish her all the very best as she prepares for this exciting new arrival. We are currently making arrangements for her maternity cover and will let you know who will be joining the class in due course, once these arrangements have been finalised later on this term.

I would also like to let you know that, sadly, one of our Teaching Assistants, Mrs Jeffrey, has made the difficult decision to resign from her role at Stretham Community Primary School. We are very grateful for the care, support and contribution she has given to the children and school community during her time with us. We are sorry to see her leave but wish her every happiness and success for the future.

Safeguarding

This year, our Safeguarding Team at Stretham is formed of **Mrs Swann, Mrs Yeoman and Mrs Spencer**. If you have any questions, queries or concerns around the safety and wellbeing of children, or need some advice, any of us are happy to support and offer guidance.



'Achieving Potential Together As a School Family.'
Compassionate – Curious – Courageous – Resilient – Inclusive

Reminder of Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026

INSET Days (School closed)	Tuesday 1 st September Wednesday 2 nd September
Autumn term starts	Thursday 3 rd September
Half term	Mon 26 th October-Fri 30 th October
Autumn term ends	Friday 18 th December

Spring Term 2027

INSET Day (School closed)	Monday 4 th January
Spring term starts	Tuesday 5 th January
Half term	Mon 15 th February-Fri 19 th February
Spring term ends	Thursday 25 th March

Summer Term 2027

Summer term starts	Monday 12 th April
INSET day (School Closed)	Friday 28 th May
Half term	Mon 31 st May-Fri 4 th June
Summer term ends	Tuesday 20 th July
INSET day (School Closed)	Wednesday 21 st July

A very happy birthday to...

Joseph W, Archie C, Remi N, Charmaine R and Joseph R

We hope you have a wonderful day!

