



Welcome Evening

Tuesday 30th June 2026

Class of 2026-2031

A warm welcome to our new Y7 children, parents and families





Headteacher's Welcome



Samuel Gray
HEADTEACHER

Mission Statement

“To inspire and support all students to achieve exceptional success - academic excellence, spiritual development and social awareness through Christ.”

Vision

“An Excellent Education for all
- so that that each student 'should
have life & live it to the full.'”

Values

“Love, Respect, Hope, Kindness,
Resilience.”

Guided by our clear vision for education,
we are a thriving school: we are a happy,
supportive & inclusive learning community,
which works collectively to deepen our
commitment to the things we know
underpin an 'excellent education for all'.

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I HAVE COME
that they may **have life,**
and have it **to the full.**

John 10:10





Catholic Life and Mission





Key Staff



“

Academic excellence,
spiritual development
and social awareness
through Christ



Samuel Gray
HEADTEACHER



Michelle Goodwin
DEPUTY HEADTEACHER



Elliot Davies-Tagg
ASSISTANT
HEADTEACHER



Sean Hopkins
ASSISTANT
HEADTEACHER
AND
DESIGNATED
SAFEGUARDING LEAD



Jenny Langston
ASSISTANT
HEADTEACHER
AND
SENCO



Jade Bannister
ASSOCIATE
ASSISTANT
HEADTEACHER





BRS House System

One School, Four Houses, One Family in Christ

The Blessed Robert Sutton House system is the heart of our school community, fostering a supportive, family like environment for every student. Each of our four houses is uniquely named after a central saint within our Catholic Faith, deeply connected to our partner parishes in Burton on Trent. During the Academic Year 2026-27 we will carry out a number of events within our houses including:



HOUSE
MASSES



HOUSE
COMPETITIONS



CELEBRATION
AND FEAST DAYS



AND MUCH
MORE!





Safeguarding and Pastoral Support

- Form Tutor Team
- Pastoral Support Team
- Head of Year – Mrs P Harkin



Safeguarding Information

Report any concerns to safeguarding@brs.srscmat.co.uk 01283 749450

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Safeguarding Lead



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Deputy Designated
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Mrs Smith

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Staffordshire: 0300 111 8007
Monday to Thursday 8:30am-5:00pm
Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

(Staffordshire out of hours:
0345 604 2886)

Derbyshire 24hr: 01629 533190
Leicestershire 24hr: 0116 305 0005
Leicester City: 0116 454 1004



Journey to BRS

- Since March 2026
 - Contact with primary school's – key information sharing
 - Visits to primary schools and speaking with students
 - Contact between school SENCo's for additional information sharing
 - Contact with you as parents
 - Enhanced Transition Day
 - Our evening tonight
 - Transition Day tomorrow
 - Empowering Parents Event – Wed 8th July





Blessed Robert Sutton
Catholic Voluntary Academy

Transition Pack

- Transition challenge booklet
- Letter from a BRS pupil
- Book and summer task to complete
- Key school information
- Disco invitation



'Academic excellence, spiritual development
and social awareness through Christ.'

Welcoming you to

Blessed Robert Sutton



**St Ralph
Sherwin**
Catholic Multi Academy Trust

Dear Year 6 Student,



Welcome to

Blessed Robert Sutton
Catholic Voluntary Academy

Transition Booklet



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and social awareness through Christ.'



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Year 6 into Year 7 Summer Reading Challenge

Welcome to Year 7 English! We are so excited to have you join us in September. To get your brain moving and your creativity flowing, we're challenging you to dive into a brilliant novel: *Smart* by Kim Slater.

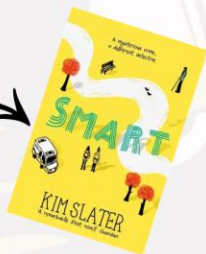
This summer, the English department challenge you to complete the activities below and bring your work to your first English Lesson in September. We look forward to seeing you soon.

1

Before You Read

Look at the front cover and title. Write a short prediction about:

- what the story might be about
- who the main character could be
- what problems they may face





2

While You Read:

Choose **three** important moments from the novel and complete the table-

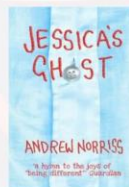
What happens?	How does Kieran feel?	Important quotation

3

Creative Task

Choose **ONE**:

- Design a new front cover for the novel
- Write a diary entry from Kieran's point of view
- Create a playlist of 3 songs that match the story and explain why



Recommended by Head of English-Miss Cresswell

I have chosen *Smart* because it is a thoughtful, powerful and unforgettable novel that explores friendship, family and courage. Kieran is a unique and inspiring character whose voice stays with readers long after they finish the book. As you move from Year 6 into Year 7, this novel will encourage you to think deeply, ask questions and see the world from a different perspective — all important skills for becoming a successful English student.

When you begin Year 7, one of the first novels you will study is *Jessica's Ghost*. As you read *Smart*, you may notice similar themes of friendship, loneliness, identity and learning to understand others. Both novels explore characters who sometimes feel different from the people around them, making *Smart* an excellent introduction to the kinds of texts and ideas you will explore in Year 7 English.

Year 6-7 Summer Reading Challenge

Reading challenge that links into the books that will be studied in English in Year 7.

Students will need to read the book, complete the challenge and return this to their English Teacher in September.





Wednesday 1st July

- Arrive by 8:25am
- Drop off at main gates – students to head to reception
- Free meal – bring snack for break as cashless system in school
- 5 lessons during the day
- Finish at 2:30pm – onward travel/collection/wait for sibling/family member
- Year 6/7 Disco 6-8pm including tuck shop





Thursday 3rd September

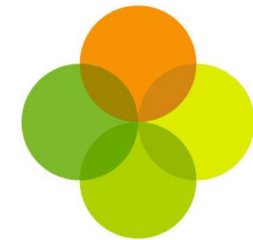
- Arrive by 8:25am
- Drop off at main gates – students to head to reception
- Students will have their finger print taken and those without permission given a code. ParentPay letters will be sent home during the first week to add money to your child's account
- Students should, where possible, travel by bike, on foot or via public transport.
- If driving is the only option please park away from the school lane.





ARBOR

- Communication system – main way of communication with parents
- Log in details will be provided in September – log in to ensure messages from the start of term are received.
- School Website - <https://www.robertsutton.srscmat.co.uk/>
- Also social media – Facebook/Instagram & X (formally Twitter)
 - Facebook – **Blessed Robert Sutton**
 - Instagram – **blessedrobertsuttonschool**



Arbor





Day in the life of a BRS student

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday	8:22 8:25-8:30	All students must be on site ready for Standing Assembly Standing Assembly- Students line up in allocated zones
	8:30-8:50	Form Time
	8:50-9:50	Period 1
	9:50-10:50	Period 2
	10:50-11:10	Break
	11:10-12:10	Period 3
	12:10-13:10	Period 4
	13:10-13:45	Lunch
	13:45-13:50	Roll Call- Students line up in allocated zones
	13:55-14:55	Period 5

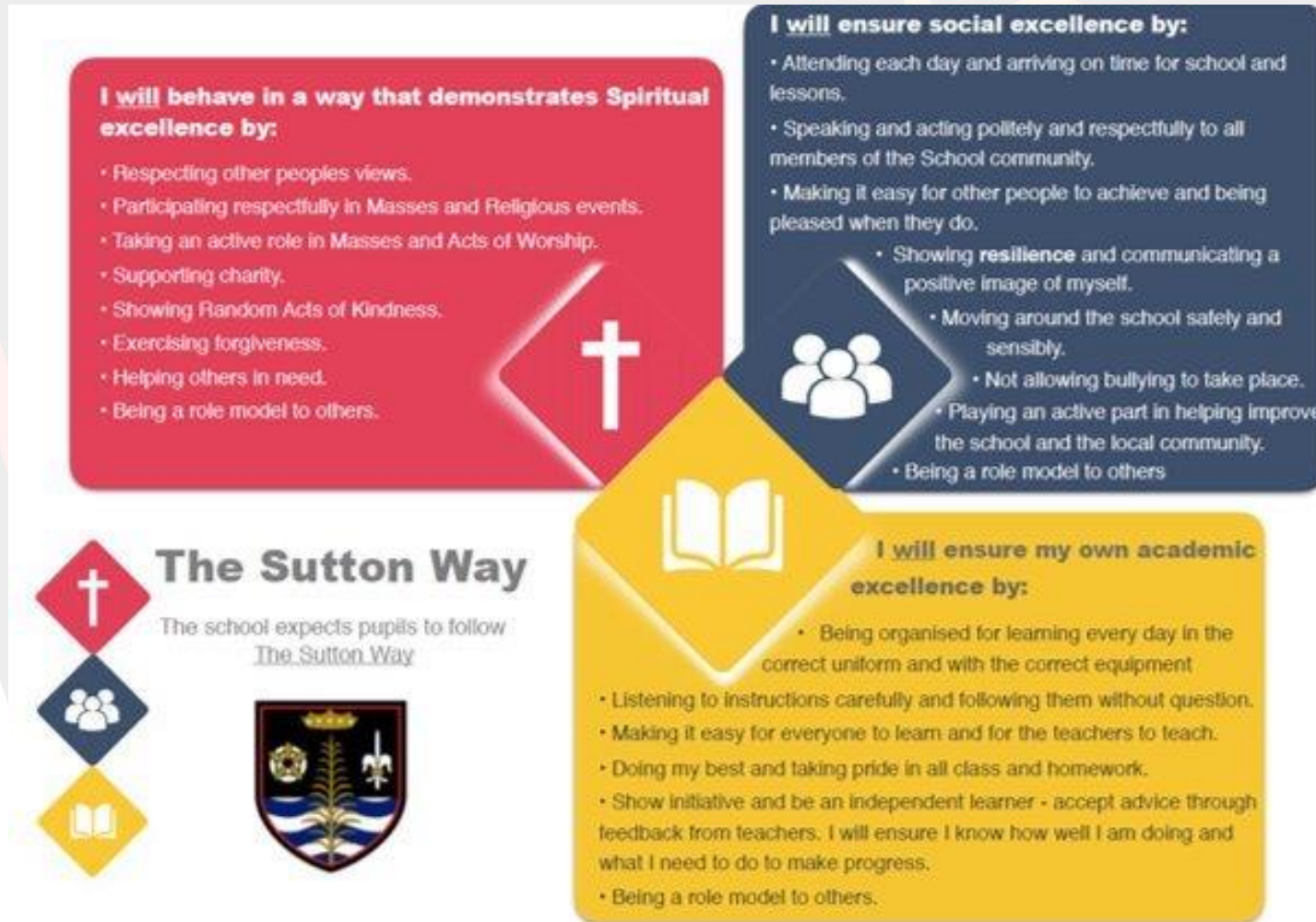
Wednesday Only	8:22 8:25-8:30	All students must be on site ready for Standing Assembly Standing Assembly- Students line up in allocated zones
	8:30-9:15	Personal Development Curriculum
	9:15-10:10	Period 1
	10:10-11:05	Period 2
	11:05-11:25	Break
	11:25-12:20	Period 3
	12:20-13:15	Period 4
	13:15-13:50	Lunch
	13:50-13:55	Roll Call- Students line up in allocated zones
	14:00-14:55	Period 5





Our Pupils follow The Sutton Way

*To help with
this pupils will
take part in a
Sutton Start
Bootcamp*





	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	"Talking Points"	TTRP	Personal Development	Feel Good Thursday	COW
Year 8	"Talking Points"	TTRP	Personal Development	Feel Good Thursday	COW
Year 9	"Talking Points"	TTRP	Personal Development	COW	Feel good Friday
Year 10	"Talking Points"	COW	Personal Development	TTRP	Feel Good Friday
Year 11	COW	TTRP	Personal Development	Careers	Feel good Friday

Form times at BRS





Uniform



- The uniform supplier for Blessed Robert Sutton is Pupil Schoolwear in Swadlincote.
- Opening hours are
 - Monday-Friday 9:30-5pm
 - Saturday 9:30-5pm.





Term Dates 2026-27

<https://www.robertsutton.srscmat.co.uk/parents/term-dates/>

	First Day of Term	Last Day of Term
Advent Term 1	Thursday 3rd September 2026	Friday 23rd October 2026
Advent Term 2	Monday 2nd November 2026	Friday 18th December 2026
Lent Term 1	Tuesday 5th January 2027	Friday 12th February 2027
Lent Term 2	Tuesday 23rd February 2027	Friday 25th March 2027
Pentecost Term 1	Monday 12th April 2027	Friday 28th May 2027
Pentecost Term 2	Monday 7th June 2027	Friday 16th July 2027

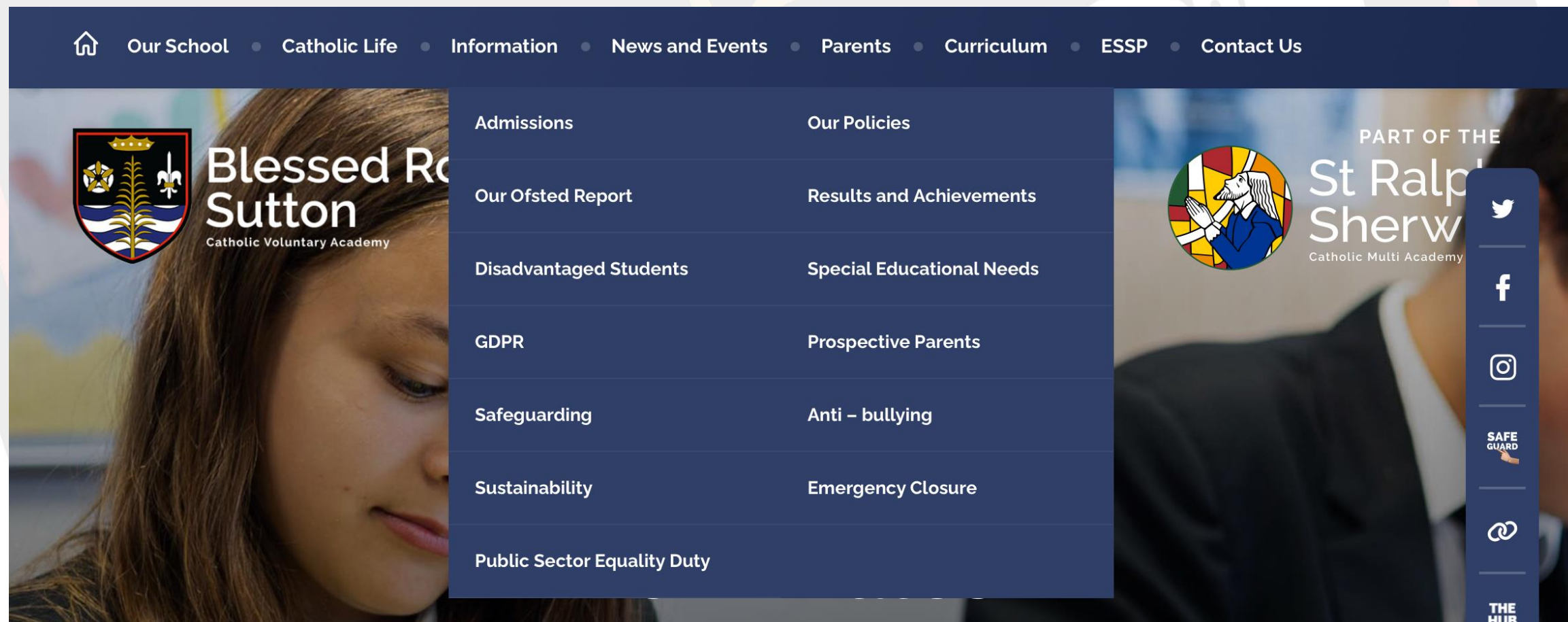
Staff Inset Days (School closed to students)

Month	Dates
September	Tuesday 1st September 2026
	Wednesday 2nd September 2026
January	Tuesday 5th January 2027
February	Monday 22nd February 2027
July	Monday 19th July 2027
	Tuesday 20th July 2027
	Wednesday 21st July 2027





Website





Teaching and Learning –

- At Blessed Robert Sutton we deliver a knowledge-rich curriculum that prepares pupils for future learning and inspires pupils to "live life to the full." *John, 10:10.*
- As teachers, we are all committed to becoming the best we can be, and staff engage with regular CPD and quality assurance.
- Our focus for the next academic year is providing our students with opportunities to develop oracy and reading skills to improve overall outcomes and confidence,

The Blessed Robert Sutton Way

We will make every lesson count by...





BRS students are always **READY** to learn...

Respect



Show respect to everyone by valuing others' contributions, having good manners and following directions.

Engage



Stay mentally and physically engaged: sitting up, eyes on speaker, tracking the reading, asking relevant questions.

Actively Listen



Focus fully on the speaker, avoid distractions and give feedback through appropriate body language.

Do Your Best



Put all your effort into tasks, show persistence and take pride in your work.

Your Responsibility



Take ownership of your learning and actions. Come prepared, stay organised and be accountable.

We expect our students to be prepared to learn every lesson and staff award positive points to recognise hard work and effort!

Being punctual and prepared is the key to success!

Our subject pages on the website will provide you with an overview of what your child is learning and how you can help them. Our new pages will go live in September!





Every morning starts with **GRACE**



Gather in Faith



Student-Led Prayer

One student volunteer is on rota to lead the prayer. Reflective silence follows.

Ready to Learn



Equipment Check

Teacher circulates and checks equipment, noting issues and logging on Arbor.

Aspire Together



Form Notices and Celebrations

Attendance praise, birthdays mentioned, achievement points shared.

Connect Through
Reading



Reading to Succeed Programme

Form Tutor reads the selected text, pausing to ask questions using supporting PowerPoint.

Engage and Reflect



Quick Reflection or Thought for the Day

Students are set up for a successful day of learning.

Form Time ends respectfully with a **Good Morning**
and Thank you





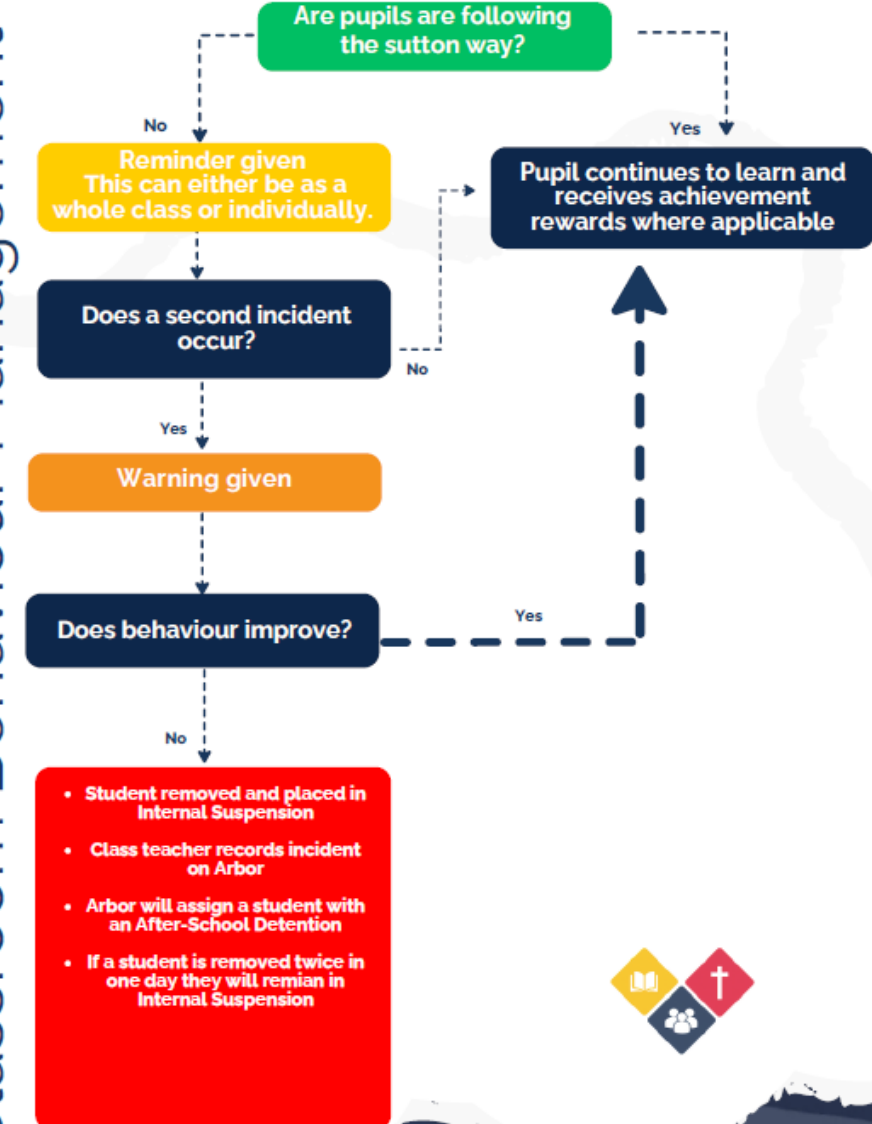
Behaviour

- 100% disruption-free learning, every minute of every lesson, every day
- Clear behaviour system
- High standards in every aspect



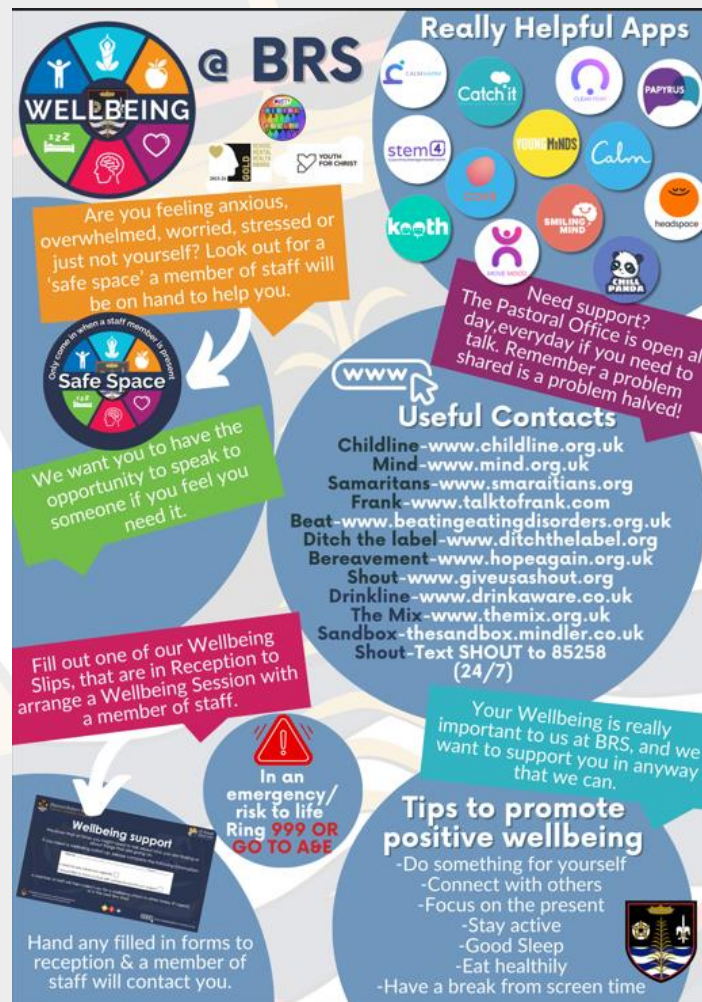
DISRUPTION FREE LEARNING

Classroom Behaviour Management





Safeguarding



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Leicestershire 24hr: 0116 305 0005
Leicester City: 0116 454 1004



Mobile Phone/Technology

- Within the school grounds and school building phones should be

Never seen,
used or heard



Smart watches are not allowed to be worn



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Education
TRAINING THROUGH THEATRE

APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS

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Snapchat

Instagram

Twitter

TikTok

Kik

YouNow

Yubo

House Party

Monkey

16+

WhatsApp

17+

Sarahah

YOLO

18+

MeetMe

LiveMe



Social Media Restrictions in the UK (updated June 2026)

- Due Spring 2027
- Further details coming out from July
- As a school we are waiting on guidance from the Local Authority, Trust and Department for Education on what this will look like for schools
- We need to work together – school and parents – to support young people
- Like other schools in the country one of our biggest issues is online fall outs that come into school
- **Check your child's phone – they will find ways around it!**





Empowering parents: Safety, AI Awareness and Support Networks

Wednesday 8th July 6-8pm

Blessed Robert Sutton Safeguarding Team - Supported by external agencies

Burton Addiction Centre – Graham
Mitchell

Staffordshire Police – PCSO Jayne
Winfield

Mental Health School Team – Sam Lewis

Educational Welfare Attendance Team –
Vikki Cobb

SARAC – Caroline Fotheringham

Off Switch –Terence Smith





Transport – Diamond

<https://www.diamondbuses.com/bus-services/>

Support for using the bus will be available everyday.
Staff are on duty every morning and afterschool



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Queen's Hospital to Robert Sutton School
via Stretton & Winhill

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Extra Curricular Activities

Session	Aim	When
Prep	Access to manned computer room to complete homework or complete revision activities	8-8:25am Mon-Fri Break Lunch
Prep +: Homework	Additional Homework time with a TA or to complete independently	3-4pm Tues-Thurs



PREP+
plus





Extra Curricular Activities

THE SUTTON EXPERIENCE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School Homework Support A106 MB	Before School Homework Support A106 MB	Before School Homework Support A106 DW	Before School Homework Support A106 LM	Before School Homework Support A106 MB
Breaktime Homework Support A106 LB	Breaktime Homework Support A106 LB	Breaktime Homework Support A106 LB	Breaktime Homework Support A106 LB	Breaktime Homework Support A106 LB
Lunchtime Basketball Sports Hall JD Spanish Revision A111 COJ Trampolining Gym EG Inclusion Hub A109 PK Silent Study A106 MB Library Club Library DW Cricket Club Gym EG Safe to Speak Hub SLS	Lunchtime Safe to Speak Hub SLS Chess Club A107 WG Music Club A115 SG Inclusion Hub A109 AW Silent Study A106 RW Library Club Library DW Y7 Multi Skills Sports Hall RW Chaplaincy Team Chapel/A104 SH Spanish Films A111 COJ Further Maths A204 AJM	Lunchtime Table Tennis Sports Hall JD Inclusion Hub A109 SP Safe to Speak Hub SLS Silent Study A106 DW Trampolining Gym EG	Lunchtime Inclusion Hub A109 AG Rounders Sports Hall EG Silent Study A106 LH Table Top Games A304 PLH Safe to Speak Hub SLS Library Club Library DW	Lunchtime Badminton Sports Hall LL Inclusion Hub A109 LMC Silent Study A106 LM Arts & Crafts Club B106 HT Safe to Speak Hub SLS Learn Japanese A111 COJ
Afterschool No Afterschool Clubs	Afterschool Homework Support Inc Hub SM Football Astro JD/LMC Maths Intervention A204 AJM School Production A204 AJM	Afterschool Homework Support Inc Hub SM Yr11 Poetry ANI School Production A204 AJM French Revision Yr11 CSI	Afterschool Homework Support Inc Hub SM Art/DT Intervention HT Clay Club B103 JTC School Production A204 AJM French Revision Yr11 CSI	Afterschool No Afterschool Clubs

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Special Educational Needs



Mrs Langston



Associate Assistant Head
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Jenny Langston

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Mrs Miller



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Sally Miller

Assistant SENCO

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SEN coffee morning



BRS S.E.N **Coffee Morning**

Join us for a SEN Coffee Morning at Blessed Robert Sutton a friendly and informal chance for parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs to meet, chat, and enjoy a hot drink.

It's a great opportunity to connect with others, speak with our SEN team, and find out more about the support available in school.

Everyone is welcome we'd love to see you there!

Date-2nd October
Time -TBC





Wellbeing Services in School

- **Mental Health Support team**

- 6-8 weekly CBT (cognitive behaviour therapy)
- A chance to work through worries and develop strategies to implement at school/home

- **Weekly Listening Support by Burton Youth for Christ Listening Practitioner**

- Reflective listening
- Chance for young people to talk freely and feel heard as they tell their story at their own pace, without feeling judged or that they are a project to be 'sorted out.'
- Can increase resilience levels and empower young people to work through issues themselves
- Appointments allocated on needed along with signposting to other BYfC services

- **School Nurse**

- Drop in and booked sessions each fortnight
- Offered by Families Health and Wellbeing Service 0-19

- **Professionals from other services**

- If you are aware of a service supporting your child please let us know – safeguarding@brs.srscmat.co.uk





**THANK
YOU**

