

Stratford-upon-Avon Primary 'News'



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Reminders: All children need to have either wellington boots or change of shoes in school on Wednesdays for Playtime in the Paddock.

Letters issued this week: All Years - Newsletter, Parent Survey, FOSP Disco Y3 - Teaching Update, Y5 Tudor Workshop

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception Class Eye Test Dance Club 3.30-4.30pm	Football Club — 3.30-4.45pm Year 1 Meet the Teacher - 2.45pm	Textiles Club 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club 3.30-4.30pm	Art Club KS1 3.30-4.30pm Art Club KS2 3.30-4.30pm	Choir Lunchtime Recorder Club Lunchtime

News from the Headteacher

Week three and despite the rain and wind there are lots of smiles in the school. The children are enjoying exploring their new topics and being creative. Year 5 explained all about gold to me when I popped in the other day. It was fascinating them. Did you know gold can bend? Apparently when it is in a certain state it definitely can. Year 5 also enjoyed a visit from an engineer who shared his design for a flying car. The children were inspired to create their own designs. Enjoy the photographs in this newsletter. Year One have been exploring London city skylines. There is some excellent artwork to demonstrate their understanding and Year Two have been wowing Miss O'Connell with their writing of Midsummer Night's Dream. Their understanding of the words and language is enhancing their lives. It isn't unusual to hear the words such as 'infuriated' or 'slumbering' being uttered in the classroom.

Last week Miss Gill and I were able to attend an early years conference which has inspired us in our passion for making our Reception unit outstanding. Throughout the day we explored how children learn and how they develop skills. Too often in early years children are given opportunities which only aid them in using skills already learnt when they are toddlers. An outstanding unit will plan learning that helps them to progress those skills. For example instead of all of the children painting a picture of a daffodil so you get 30 identical daffodils we will teach them an art skill such as stippling or colour mixing. The children then can choose to paint anything they want using the skill learnt. Miss Gill is looking forward to seeing the children progress as she develops the continuous provision further. Miss O'Connell, Mrs McCormack and Miss Gill have also been working with other colleagues across Warwickshire on moderating children's writing and maths to verify assessments. It has been a busy week.

Wednesdays are now known as 'Playtime in the Paddock' days. All of the children got to go and play in the paddocks either in the morning or at lunchtime. They loved it as did Mr Hodgkins as he was able to supervise a great game of football. We apologise for any muddy trousers but hopefully it washed out. So much fun to be able to use our green space. Next week if your child wants to bring a pair of waterproof trousers or joggers to slip on over their school trousers then please send them in. With any luck next week will be sunny and dry. A huge thank you to Mrs Fade who ensured that it went swimmingly and also to all of the staff for their enthusiasm in implementing a new initiative.

We have welcomed Mr Moss to our team for the next few weeks who is teaching Year 3 in Mrs Ingate's absence. He has settled in well and is enjoying getting to know the class. After one day he came to find me to share the names of all the children who were on the star of excellence. I love good news.

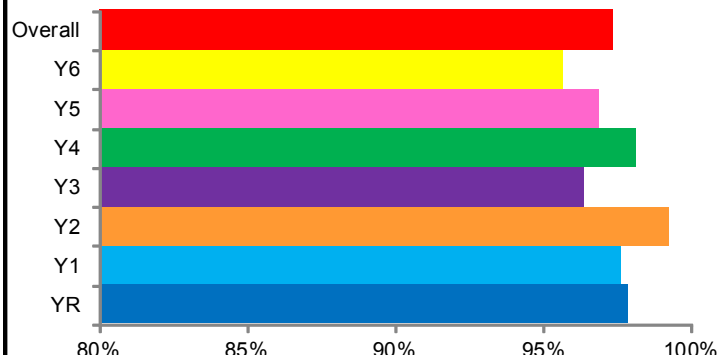
Next week is National Storytelling Week. If you would like to come in and read a favourite story to the children please let me know and we will fit you in. The teachers will all be sharing theirs with different classes and I know the librarians have fun activities planned.

'Love's stories written in love's richest books. To fan the moonbeams from his sleeping eyes' William Shakespeare

Have a lovely weekend and see you on Monday.

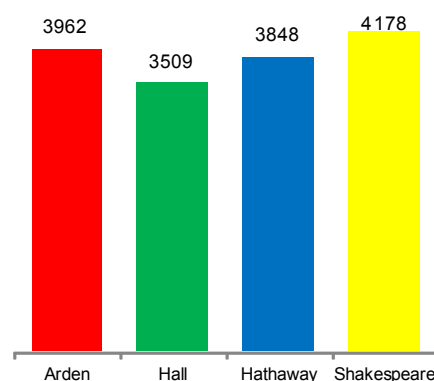
Mrs Humphriss - Headteacher

Weekly Attendance by Class



This week's winners of a visit from Desmond the Dragon is Year 2, Well Done!

House Points - Year to date



Congratulations
Shakespeare
you are this week's House Cup winners



This Weeks Certificates

Achievement Certificates

Reception - Esme B
Year 1 - Joseph S
Year 2 - Lewis M
Year 3 - Mia B
Year 4 - Hetty B
Year 5 - Matilda B
Year 6 - Eva C

House Captain Respect Certificates

Arden - Amal A
Hall - Arabella T
Hathaway - Charlotte S
Shakespeare - Ania C

Philanthropy in Action

We were out shopping one day when Madison saw a girl about the same age as her without any hair and asked me why, so I explained to her that she wasn't well. Madison wanted to give her some of her hair so we investigated how to go about this and came across a charity called Little Princess Trust, a charity that makes wigs for terminally children.

Madison has been growing her hair since last April and she has nearly grown the 10 inches required (it's taken a while as it has to be kept in good condition, so she's had a few trims)

Mrs S Stevens, Mum to Madison S Y3 & Joseph S Y1



Disco In The School Hall

Friday 16th February

K/1 6.00–7.00pm

K/2 7.30–8.30pm

£3.50 per person

Check-in opens 15 minutes before each disco starts, we ask that children **MUST NOT** be left unattended until they have been checked-in.
Consent form required for admission.



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FOSP Second Hand Uniform Sale

The next second hand uniform sale will be held after school on Wednesday 7th February in the school playground (weather permitting).

New To You Uniform



Year 5 Engineer Visit



Book Request



If anyone has any copies of the Tom Gates books by Liz Pichon or Diary of a Wimpy Kid books by Jeff Kinney that their children have read and could kindly donate to the school library then please can you drop them into the school office.

Safeguarding Advice - Lockdown

Today we practised a partial lockdown which is used in the event of a message being received by the school to stay inside. The children were absolutely brilliant they worked silently in their classrooms until the all clear was sounded.

We also had a fire drill this week which took place when Mrs Humphriss was not onsite so that the Senior Leadership Team had an opportunity to lead. The children and staff exited quickly and quietly in 2 minutes 25 seconds, this is a good time.

Unscheduled Environmental Health Inspection - 26th Jan 2018



Additional/Amended Diary Dates - 2017/18

Our diary dates can now be found on our website.

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Year 1 Meet the Teacher - Tuesday 30th January 2.45pm