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| Reminders: Please could you remember to confirm whether or not you are attending the Prevent Online Grooming Workshop |  |  |  |  |
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| Letters issued this week: All Years - Prevent Online Grooming Workshop, Young Poet Competition |  |  |  |  |
| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Choir 3.30-4.30pm | Creative Writing Club 3.304.30 pm <br> Choir performing with the African Children's Choir at Leamington Spa Centre | The World Around Me Club 3.30- <br> 4.30 pm <br> Drama Club 3.30-4.30pm <br> Textiles Club 3.30-4.30pm <br> Prevent Online Grooming Workshop 1-3pm and 6-8pm | Rock Steady Music Academy <br> Art Club KS1 3.30-4.30pm <br> Art Club KS2 3.30-4.30pm <br> KS1 Sports Club 3.30-4.30pm | Rock Steady Music Academy |

## News from the Headteacher

Cześć wszystkim - Hello everyone. I am trying hard to increase my polish vocabulary. Thank you to everyone who is helping me with that. The children are hard taskmasters with pronunciation but I did get a clap last week when I wished everyone good morning. Hurray. Positive praise. It is important that we all challenge ourselves to learn new things and learn new languages so we keep communicating. Martin Luther King once said 'Men often hate each other because they fear each other; they fear each other because they don't know each other; they don't know each other because they can not communicate.' Keep talking to each other.

Last week I forgot to say a huge thank you to Erica Whyman who came in to talk to the children about her career as a director within The RSC. She gave a really informative talk which shared with the children her role and how she works with actors. At the end Erica taught the children to read a part of Romeo and Juliet with real conviction. Thank you.

On Friday we welcomed many of our grandparents and older relatives of the children in Year 1 and 2. They are working on the text Ocean Meets the Sky together and invited their grandparents to come in and learn how to draw self-portraits and read the story. Our visitors had an excellent time and really loved seeing the school. We would love to invite them in again and they are all more than welcome on any event we have.

This week we welcomed Mia and her family in Year 3. We hope Mia you enjoy your journey through Stratford Primary. We also welcomed Miss Smith who will be completing teaching practice in Year 5 this term. We are committed to developing teachers of the future and enjoy them being part of our school. I have been showing more visitors round this week and all have commented on our calm atmosphere and inspiring curriculum. The children are always polite and friendly. A real credit to us.

We offer lots of after school clubs and it is always great to get feedback on how the children respond to them. The drama club leaders wanted to let me know how brilliant the children were and enthusiastic. In Mrs Abernethy's and my creative writing club we have heard how much the children love the club and are inspired to keep writing when they go home. Fantastic. The children should have received a leaflet inviting them to enter Young Poets competition as part of Stratford Literarcy Festival. Give it a go - writing opens the mind. Also don't forget that it will soon be the closing date for our Spring Term homework competition - online safety. KS1 design a mascot and KS2 a comic strip. Can't wait to see the entries.

When we stop re-reading the last chapter of our life, we leave room to write a new one

Ciesz się życiem (Enjoy life)

Mrs Humphriss - Head Teacher




## Reception Class - Forest School



Forest School in action! The reception children have had a brilliant few weeks at Forest School and the cold weather hasn't put us off - we just wear more layers to keep warm! We started by finding suitable sticks to make our stick people, we talked about finding a stick that wasn't too thick or thin but as Goldilocks would say is "juuuust right!" Then we had a tool talk on how to use the loppers. Miss Gill and Miss Blake were so pleased with the way the children safely and responsibly used the loppers to trim their sticks down. After searching for fallen natural materials to decorate our stick people all that was left to do was put it all together. We used tape to assemble our stick people and voila they were complete!

## Grandparents' Afternoon



Year 4 continuing to follow the plight of Jim Jarvis as he escapes the workhouse and finds Rosie the old cook. Will he ever see his sisters again?

## Yellow Zig-zag lines outside school

Thank you to all of our parents and carers who take the time to park their cars considerately when picking up and dropping off their children.

Please can we remind everyone that in the interests of safety and ensuring that everyone has a clear view of the road when crossing; that no one parks, stops or momentarily waits on the yellow zigzags outside school between 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday.


## FOSP Update

We are delighted to announce that the Christmas Fair made $£ 1900$ profit. Thank you so much to everybody that supported it, it really does make such a huge difference!

We're currently just behind the Shakespeare Lions in the Tesco Bags of Help voting process. Please keep spreading the word that we do need votes to try and secure $£ 4000$ for our
 Forest School classes.

We've booked a slot on Saturday 9th February from 9-11am to promote our cause at Tesco on the Birmingham Road and we'd love your support. If you are able to come along and talk to customers about why we need the funding please email me on fospschool@gmail.com. Even half an hour would be fabulous, it's that close!


Stratford Stratford
Town Trust

Time Hope would like to offer parents who live in Stratford and have children and young people with additional needs, 6 wellbeing sessions on:

Mindfulness Reflexology Meditation
Talk from Springfield Mind
Healthy Eating Relaxation

Sessions begin on 8th February (9.30a.m.-12.30p.m.)

At Foundation House,
Masons Road,
Stratford,
CV37 9NB
Please contact Nilam on 07761398041
Email nilamgill@btinternet.com A small affordable donation is required after the sessions.

Reunion session to be arranged.

