

Friday 25th June 2021



The Stratford Standard



Highlights from the Deputy Head's desk...

A real highlight for me this week has to be the Year 5 and 6 end of year performance - I think I speak for everyone when I say what a treat it was to first of all, be able to actually watch a live performance and secondly, to watch the children perform with such confidence, talent and enthusiasm! It really was the gift that kept on giving, from the different singing arrangements, incredibly complex scripts that had been learnt, set design and props, fantastic costumes, terrible jokes which made the audience roar, choreographed dances, a 6-foot dinosaur and perfectly executed sound engineering! Such a lot of hard work is put into performances like this and I am staggered that in just three weeks, the children and staff were able to put on such a show. I would say all the children need to have a well-deserved rest but Year 6 have just the weekend to recover before they leave on their eagerly awaited PGL trip. We look forward to hearing about their adventures on their return! For the rest of the school, next week is multi-cultural week, where we will be visiting different countries around the world (through the power of books; Boris won't allow us on a plane just yet) and have the chance to learn about and experience a range of food, art, music and literature. It is set to be yet another very exciting week at Stratford Primary!

I wish you all a very lovely weekend.

REMEMBER:

Please send your child in prepared for all weathers!

Monday 28th June to Friday 2nd July - Year 6 PGL

Tuesday 29th June - Year R to Year 5 Escape Arts

Wednesday 7th July - Change up and Transition Days

Friday 16th July - Sports Day and Reports sent home

Wednesday 21st July - Last Day of Term

The school calendar is also available on the school website.

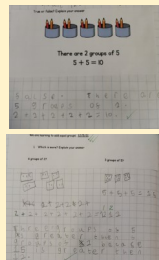
Spotlight in...

MATHS

At Stratford-upon-Avon Primary School our aim is that children achieve high standards in maths and enjoy doing so. Our intention is to deliver a curriculum which allows children to explore mathematics following a mastery approach, in order to embed a culture of deep understanding, confidence and competence in this subject, with the aim of shaping assured, happy and resilient mathematicians. We deliver lessons that are creative and engaging. We want children to make rich connections across mathematical ideas to develop fluency, mathematical reasoning and competence in solving increasingly sophisticated problems. We encourage children to talk openly about mathematics, exploring concepts and furthering their understanding. We plan for children to regularly revisit concepts in maths and intend for our children to be able to apply their mathematical knowledge to other subjects. Our intention is to give all pupils a chance to believe in themselves as mathematicians and develop the power of resilience when faced with mathematical challenges. It is our strong belief that all children can learn mathematics and that high-quality mathematics education provides a foundation for understanding the wider world and a tool for life.

To ensure effective teaching, we take a mastery approach to the maths curriculum, expecting all children to reach or exceed national expectations. We follow the requirements of the national curriculum, using the White Rose Schemes of Learning to map out the progression of the teaching blocks for each year group. Each block is then broken down into coherent, carefully planned small steps to develop and deepen the children's understanding of the topic/concept, building on prior learning. These steps provide all children with experience of mathematical fluency, reasoning and problem solving and ensure that every child can progress with the skills and understanding they need to succeed. As teachers, we ensure that the majority of children have mastered a concept before moving on to new learning. Positive attitudes and a love of maths is developed through maths days, maths weeks, maths clubs, maths competitions, interactive maths displays, links with national banks, such as HSBC, and links with other subjects.

Children at Stratford-upon-Avon Primary School will be fluent, confident and resilient mathematicians and show a good understanding of the concepts taught, and a strong belief in their ability to achieve as mathematicians. This will be evidenced both in their books, through the completion of different activities, and also through pupil interviews. Our learners will be able to show their understanding of the mathematical concept or skill being mastered and use mathematical language effectively to explain their ideas. Also, our children will be able to independently apply concepts to new problems in unfamiliar situations and make connections within and across maths lessons.



Our week in pictures:



Marks and Spencer Uniform Launch

Uniform will be available from 29th June and will be included in their 20% off promotion running 6th July to 3rd August.

Our school will receive 5% commission on logo items.



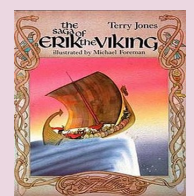
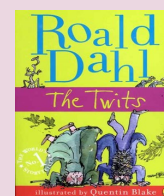
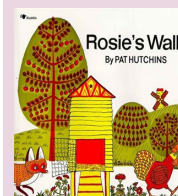
Coming soon...

FOSP Summer Raffle

1st prize £100 and lots of other great prizes, only a £1 per ticket.

The Reading Nook

EYFS and KS1 KS2 short read KS2 long read



Online Safety

Social media concerns - there is some very useful information for parents available via the link below:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/social-media-advice-hub/social-media-concerns/>

Safeguarding corner



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Spotlight on our Year 5 and 6 production...



Open letter to parents from Marcus Rashford MBE and Henry Dimbleby MBE on holiday activities and food programme

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We hope you are well and that your child/ren is enjoying the summer term and the warm weather!

Ahead of the summer holidays, we wanted to let you know about the brilliant new Holiday Activities and Food programme which is operating in your local area. We are helping to launch a new film to promote the programme so parents know that their children can get involved in a local holiday club when the school term ends this July.

We know that the holidays can be a really difficult time for families who are struggling to make ends meet or who are juggling work and childcare. The holidays should be a time for every child to enjoy themselves rather than worrying about having enough to eat or how they can spend their free time.

That's why we're really excited about the summer holiday programmes that are being funded by the Government and will take place across the whole of England. This was recommended by the National Food Strategy when it was published last year. A petition supporting the recommendation was signed by over 1 million people.

Places on the holiday schemes are available for free to children who receive free school meals, but children and young people of all ages and backgrounds are welcome to attend. Each local programme will provide delicious, healthy meals, allow kids to get active, help them learn new things, make friends and have fun. And that is what the holidays are all about!

You can find out more by watching this new film that we've made: <https://youtu.be/KDgm8KpXAXE>

The holiday programmes are open to children of any age and are free for children eligible for free school meals. They will:

- Provide a safe and supportive environment for children
- Be led by experienced local coordinators teaming up with a range of different partners in their communities
- Serve children tasty and nutritious food and opportunities to learn about food and nutrition
- Organise lots of activities so every child can find something they enjoy - from Kung Fu and cooking to bushcraft.
- Keep children and young people happy, healthy and active
- Offer a flexible childcare option for busy parents

You can find out exactly what's available in your local area either by visiting your council's website or by searching online for HAF (that stands for Holiday Activity and Food).

We hope you and your family have a great summer with the Holiday Activities and Food programme!

Yours sincerely,

Marcus Rashford MBE

Henry Dimbleby MBE (Founder of Leon, Independent Lead of the National Food Strategy)