

Friday 26th March 2021



The Stratford Standard



Highlights from the Executive Head's desk...

My highlight of the week has been seeing the wonderful artwork created following Shakespeare week. Year 5 have been studying *The Tempest* and their interpretations of the storm through 3D art has brightened up the corridors. Romeo and Juliet quotes through art are making our walls stand out. We are also trialling standing desks in Key Stage 2 from Eiger standing desks. Many of our pupils have commented how much easier it is to concentrate when using them and how it helps them focus. Mr May, Executive Director for Community Academies Trust, visited the school this week. He enjoyed a walk around the school (socially distanced of course) and commented on how well-adjusted the children were and how focussed in their learning. Year 4 chatted with him about how pleased they are to be back in school seeing their friends and being able to learn altogether. When we went out to the playground we also saw a fabulous way to learn place value. Mr Moss had created a giant place value chart in chalk and this really helped the children have a better understanding of numbers and their value. Year 2 have been creating hot air balloons and their tables were a riot of colour. They have been reading a wordless text 'Journey.' They have been debating if stories need words. In the picture book the character travels in a hot air balloon. Year 2 have used a hair dryer to inflate their hot air balloons to make them fly. Stupendous! Miss Olaitan, their teaching student, will be finishing her placement with us this term and returning to Heathcote. Mrs Parton will be coming back to join us for the summer. Thank you Miss Olaitan, you have been marvellous. Good luck with the next part of your journey. 'To the world you are one person, but to one person you may be the world.'

REMEMBER:

**1st April - Pirate Day for Year 2 -
bringing a packed lunch!**

**Last day of term is Thursday 1st
April - finish time 3.10-3.30pm.**

**Marks and Spencer's school
uniform launching soon - watch
this space!**

**Please do not send your child to
school if they are ill. If they have
COVID-19 symptoms please advise
the school office and book them in
for a test.**

**The school calendar is also
available on the school website.**

Spotlight in...



This week, we have made the most of the sunshine - being outdoors at Forest School!

Last Friday we raised **£271.38** for Comic Relief's Red Nose Day.

DID YOU KNOW: The first Red Nose Day event raised a whopping 15 million pounds. In 2009 the event raised 82 million pounds. In 2011 Red Nose Day raised 108 million pounds. In total since its beginning the Comic Relief charity has raised more than 600 million pounds.



You can still donate online to raise money for people in poverty here in the UK and around the world. Thank you, as always, for your support.

Safeguarding corner

Visit:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets>

to access lots of family activities of short conversation starters, practical tips and fun tasks to do as a family and to keep you all safe online.

Each home activity pack contains 15 minute activities you can do together.

Learn about Cyber security, live streaming, online gaming and more.



FOSP Dream Draw Winners - March 2021

1st Prize - Jess Blackwall £41.70

2nd Prize - Cath Chatterton £20.85

3rd Prize - Alan Brown £6.95

Please message Denise on 07711 768087 if you would like to join FOSP's Dream Draw. It is £1 per entry and you can enter this month only or the 4 remaining draws.



Our Spring Stroll will take place over Easter, if you wish to take part you can send the money in with your child next week so they can pick up a form.

Stratford Spring Stroll

£3 per entry

A fun stroll for the whole family around Stratford, finding all the clues for a chance to be a winner!

Clue sheets will be available in school from 29th March with a bonus activity page on back. All correct entries will be entered into a prize draw with three winners. Closing date for entries 21st April. All proceeds to go to FOSP.

