

Stratford-upon-Avon Primary 'News'



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Reminders: Please label all uniform items

Letters issued this week: Health Check Letters - Y6 and R, Home Learning YR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir 3.30-4.30pm Boys Football Match v The Prep 4pm at The Paddock Girls Football Tournament at Warwick Prep	School Bank 8.30-9am Rocksteady Football 3.30-4.30pm Dance 3.30-4.30pm	Drama 3.30-4.30pm Textiles 3.30-4.30pm Reception Class Parents Event 2.15pm	Rocksteady Art 3.30-4.30pm	

News from the Desk of the Deputy Head

We are quickly approaching half term and the mornings and evenings are most definitely getting lighter, although not warmer, and Spring is in the air! This week has been Children's Mental Health week and this year's theme is 'Find Your Brave.' The children have been taking the time to talk to each other; meditate; reflect on how they are feeling and think about how they can be brave both in and out of school. It has been a very reflective week - the children have enjoyed learning out of the classroom and using different learning environments creatively.

Reception wowed me this week in a Phonics lesson that I observed. The children were identifying different sounds and accurately using language like: digraph, trigraph and phoneme! I have also seen some fantastic writing from the children and Nathaniel showed me a picture of a Land Rover, where he had labelled each of the different parts using adjectives. It is so lovely to talk to the children in Reception - they already know SO much and they talk with such enthusiasm about their learning. Year 1 have been imagining that they are penguins this week - Mrs Humphriss joined in with their balancing and singing sessions and I must say, they do make super penguins. I have also seen some wonderful writing linked to their new class text 'Blue Penguin,' and we have all been so impressed with their predictions about the book. The children have shown such empathy and compassion when writing about the Blue Penguin. Year 2 have had an action-packed week exploring Stratford upon Avon as part of their topic work. They have carried out a traffic survey; explored local buildings and businesses; visited Pizza Express and had a super day at Tudor World, where they had a guided tour of Stratford upon Avon by none other than William Shakespeare himself! This week there have been great gasps and howls of excitement in Year 4 - I think all the staff visited Year 4 at some point to find out what they were up to. The children, as part of their new topic, were making pool! Working with Miss McDermott, the children have been learning about digestion and the human digestive system. Keeping on the Science theme, Year 5 have been out and about this week discovering mixing, filtering and sieving and understanding how materials can be separated. There are currently several experiments on the go in Year 5 - there are bags of coloured water in the windows for the children to explore the Water Cycle, and rows of test tubes on the side, being keenly observed by the Year 5 scientists. What a hive of activity!

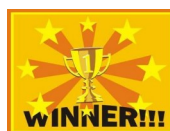
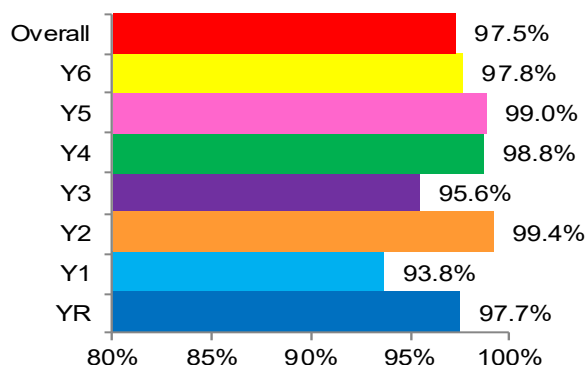
So that leaves me with one more thing to do - go and get my dancing shoes on for the FOSP disco this evening! I look forward to seeing lots of you there!

I hope you all have a really lovely weekend,

Mrs Withers

'Courage does not always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying I will try again tomorrow.'

Weekly Attendance by Class



This week's winners of a visit from Desmond the Dragon are Year 2 with 99.4%.

Well Done!

Weekly House Points



Well done - Shakespeare!

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations are available to book on the school website www.stratfordprimary.co.uk

Log on at the top right of the screen - if you need help logging on please email the school office on admin2042@welearn365.co.uk to request a password reset.

Year 2 - Pizza Making

On Wednesday, Year 2 visited Pizza Express as part of their Street Detectives topic where they have been investigating buildings and businesses from the past and in present day.

The children had a fantastic time kneading their dough and layering their pizzas with tomato puree and cheese. They then had a delicious lunch eating their creations!



Reception

Reception have had a busy few weeks! We met a local police officer who taught us how the police help us, had a Chinese banquet for Chinese New Year and had an amazing trip to Umberslade Farm Park. The children were an absolute credit to the school and we are very proud of them.



Under 8's Football Tournament

Year 3 took part in a festival of football hosted by The Croft school. The boys played extremely well, winning 2 and drawing 1 match.



I am very proud of the boys that took part and look forward to seeing what they can achieve in the future.

- Mr Gardner

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

11.50am-1.05pm, 5 days a week, term time only.

Duties will include supervising and supporting the children during lunchtime. Experience of working with children within a school is preferable, however full training will be provided. Appointments will be subject to satisfactory DBS clearance and references.

For further details please contact the school office on (01789) 293201 or email admin2042@welearn365.com

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40 Ways to Strengthen a Child's Mental Health Today

TEACH PLAY LOVE PHYSICAL EMOTIONS

- Let them cry.
- Validate their feelings.
- Establish healthy routines.
- Respect their boundaries.
- Talk about feelings often.
- Teach them how to journal.
- Teach them emotion words.
- Know that behavior is communication.
- Teach body safety.
- Give them responsibilities.
- Provide a safe living environment.
- Healthy diet.
- Restrict and monitor screentime.
- Practice mindfulness together.
- Love them unconditionally.
- Listen first, talk second.
- Provide positive physical touch.
- Have family meetings.
- Be on your child's team.
- Eat family meals together.
- Play board games.
- Connect with your child daily.
- Create family rituals.
- Encourage frequent exercise.
- Get outdoors often.
- Provide plenty of time for play.
- Allow healthy risks.
- Encourage collaboration over control.
- Praise effort over achievement.
- Use natural consequences.
- Support their friendships.
- Be consistent and follow through.
- Replace yelling with teaching.
- Model honesty and integrity.
- Encourage independence.
- Teach a growth mindset.
- Accept mistakes.
- Set healthy limits.
- Nurture their gifts and talents.