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Reminders: Open Evening bookings open until Monday. No Football after school clubs Tuesday or Wednesday this week.  Letters issued this week: Swimming lessons—Yr4				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir 3.30-4.30pm	Science Club 3.30-4.30pm Rock Steady Music Academy Parents Consultation evening Football Match at Racing Club Warwick	The World Around Me Club 3.30- 4.30pm  Textiles Club 3.30-4.30pm  Parents Consultation evening  Year 5 Bikeability	Rock Steady Music Academy Art Club KS1 3.30-4.30pm Art Club KS2 3.30-4.30pm Netball Club 3.30-4.30pm	Merchant of Venice

# **News from the Headteacher**

şēkspiyar āśansakaļ (Happy Shakespeare Week)

We have had a fabulous week increasing our knowledge of Shakespeare and how much he has influenced our language. For example did you know that he told the first knock-knock joke? Did you know that he has added over 1700 words to the English Language? Our Shakespeare trail is coming together in our corridors. We have words that are now obsolete such as 'Kickie - wickie' (a critical and disagreeable wife!) We have guotes from Shakespeare's plays, the 3 witches from Macbeth, fantastic art portraying the symbolism of Romeo and Juliet and a range of insults created by Shakespeare. We are hoping to open our trail up to you all next week so watch out for the date. Today, as I write this, almost the whole school are out and about in Stratford walking in his footsteps. Reception and Year 2 have already enjoyed story-telling in New Place's teepee and we have all had fun learning a new song called 'No Girls Allowed!' You probably don't know that during Shakespeare's time women were not allowed to perform on stage so all girls and women's parts were played by boys. There was much hilarity in our assembly this week as the boys practised their Juliet and Lady Macbeth.

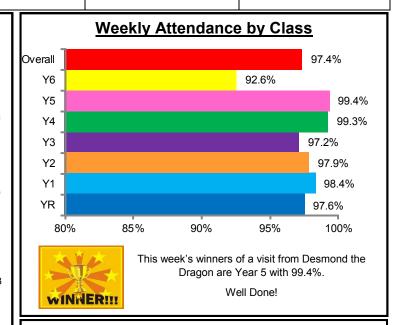
From a sporting point of view we continue with our taster sessions and YR - Y3 enjoyed some cricket on Monday. We are hoping that this will be an after school club in the summer term. Some children represented the school in the swimming gala at Stratford and did very well. So thank you to them. We have also just taken delivery of a table tennis table for outdoors which Jun in Y6 is over the moon about. Jun is an under 11 Warwickshire champion in the sport and we are setting up a tournament 'Can you beat Jun?' The staff are lining up. We have also added a smaller netball post to KS1 playground and some miniature football goals. These recent items are all thanks to FOSP who tirelessly fundraise for the school. Recently we have also received a drum kit and African drums are being ordered. They have also agreed to fund a new bar -coding system in the library as well as continuing their hard work to raise funds to improve the playground through grants. You may have noticed huge tyres that have appeared. Thank you to HG Heath & Sons LLP at Newbridges Farm for these. FOSP have purchased fruit trees which we are planting in the tyres. Some of the tyres Mr Hodgkins is turning into large seating areas. We could do with a volunteer to keep everything watered if you have some spare time.

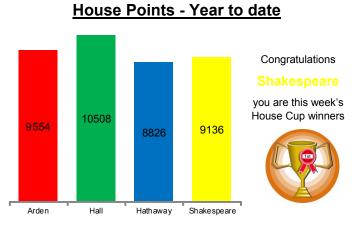
The large climbing frame is now partially repaired so 2/3 of it is open for the children. The company who originally fitted it have now sent a contractor and some of the missing equipment has been reinstalled. We are waiting for the final bit of net and then it will be fully open again. It is frustrating that it has been out of use, but the children have been very good about it and entertained themselves in other areas of the playground.

I also need to say thank you to Bridgestone Tyres for their sponsorship of our Road Safety Club. It is much appreciated and we are looking forward to further collaboration with them as they help the children become designers of the future. Also a huge thank you to Rybrook Garage in Hockley Heath who are sponsoring our football team.

Have a great weekend. It is The Great British Clean Up so pick up litter wherever you go and keep 'this sceptered isle... This blessed plot, this earth, this realm' tidy! (Richard II)

Mrs Humphriss





### Safeguarding

### 'Understanding how to use social media safely'

Teach your child about how social media such as 'Whatsapp' 'Facebook' 'Instagram' are another form of communication and just like when we talk to each other face to face we think about what we say. If we were having a chat with someone who was in the same room we wouldn't think of saying horrible things or criticizing them because we know it would upset them. Social media is the same. Teach them to 'think before they type.' Remember, what we say on the internet stays on the internet and can be found many years later. Don't write hurtful comments, don't criticize and only use it for communicating positive messages.

### **FOSP News**







This is the last year that the current Chair and Treasurer are legally allowed to stand.

FOSP are now looking for anyone that is interested in taking on either of these roles in September in order to have a smooth transition.

Please contact us via email fospschool@gmail.com or speak to any of us in the playground.

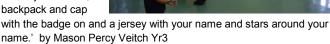
These roles need to be filled for FOSP to continue.



# **All Stars Cricket**

'On Monday, All Stars Cricket came to town! We had the opportunity to have a go at cricket. For some of us it was the first time but some of us had already had a go. First we played Mountains and Valleys - a game involving turning over cones in lots of ways by star jumping, hopping and jumping. Next some of us were fielding but some were batting. To bat you had to stand at a cone and hold the bat properly, dominant hand at the bottom, with the flat side facing out. A ball was rolled towards you and all you had to do was bat it! After that we were fielding, we had to get the balls after they had been batted. Finally we all got a wrist band - blue or orange!' by Petra Manhood Yr3.

'I can guarantee everyone will love it, you will get: a cricket ball that is very bouncy, a cricket bat that says All Stars, a backpack and cap



### **Swimming Gala**

On Wednesday 20th March, 8 pupils from Year 4 took part in a non-competitive swimming event at Stratford Leisure Centre.

All the races were relays, but with a fun twist! The children swam 'Quidditch', 'Egg and Spoon' and more...

Well done to all the children that took part, they put in a great effort and were fantastic.

Mr Gardner

### **African Drumming Club**

We have the opportunity to offer an after school club learning African Drumming.

This would take place on a Thursday after school and would cost  $\pounds 5$  per session payable in advance each half term.

To express an interest in joining this, please email the office at admin2042@welearn365.com

Thank you.

### **Spring Homework Competition**

Remember to get creative and submit your Reading Corner designs to your teacher before 5th April!!



# Storytelling at New Place



As part of Shakespeare Week, Year 2 and Reception classes had the opportunity to visit the teepee at New Place earlier this week.

The children were told the story of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' and they were asked to help with

actions and sounds which they all enjoyed.

They were all very well behaved and listened beautifully to the play.

Year 2 children showed off their knowledge of the play, remembering the names of all

the characters and helping to fill in the details!

Thank you very much to the parents who helped us on the day and a big thank you to the staff at New Place who made us feel very welcome and made the time enjoyable for the children.



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# **Easter Egg Competition**

To enter the
Shakespeare Lions
competition to win the
Easter Egg, bring your
£1 per entry into the
office.

Draw takes place at the end of term.

Good luck!

