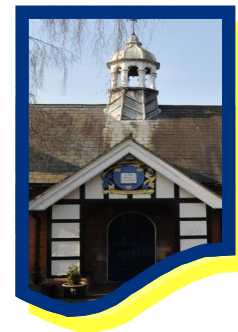


Stratford-upon-Avon Primary 'News'



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Reminders: Monday 6th May Bank Holiday. Swimming starts on Tuesday for Y4.

Letters issued this week: Collection arrangements R,1,2. Year 6 SAT's. May Dates.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BANK HOLIDAY—school closed	Animation Club 3.30-4.30 Y4 Swimming	World Around Me 3.30-4.30 Drama 3.30-4.30 Textiles 3.30-4.30 Cricket 3.30-4.30	Art Club 3.30-4.30 Y3 Hockey	

News from the Headteacher

Welcome back after the Easter holidays and we all hope you had a fabulous time together as a family. The weather probably really helped and whilst it is a bit hit and miss at the minute, at least the flashes of sun cheer us all up. The children have all come back ready to learn and our school is once again the busy, buzzing place it is.

Already this week Year 4 have been to the forest making potions. This time the sun shone and they all came back with magic wands and a spring in their step. Reception and Year One whizzed off to Stratford Playhouse to see Aliens Love Underpants, and what a great time they had. Year Two were invited to see As You Like It at The RSC and became immersed in All the World's a Stage, Year Five have begun their allotments and Year 3 had the first of their hockey sessions whilst Year Six have had their heads down and continued to progress in Maths, Reading and Writing. As I said busy, busy, busy.

Right at the end of the holidays on Saturday 27th April some of our children gathered to celebrate Shakespeare's birthday along with many other representatives of Stratford Upon Avon. Some of our Year 3 children danced in front of Shakespeare's birthplace with Mr Moss and Miss Blake and representatives from Year 2, 4, 5 and 6 paraded through the streets with me. We were all proud to be part of this annual event and, despite the freezing cold, smiled and cheered with everyone. We always end our parade at Holy Trinity Church to lay flowers on Shakespeare's grave and this reminds us of why our great town is so well-known and talked about across the world. Thank you to everyone who helped and supported us and to the children who once again represented our school so well. We even managed to appear on the end of Midland News too!

During the holidays Mr Hodgkins has been particularly busy and as usual is a complete superstar. He has transformed our EYFS outdoor area by building a bus, a pirate ship, a stage to perform on with artificial grass, a water play system and generally spruced it up. It is an ongoing project but we are all really grateful for all his hard work. The children have enjoyed exploring the new area and of course meeting and getting to know their new class teacher Miss Hancock. Welcome Miss Hancock from us all.

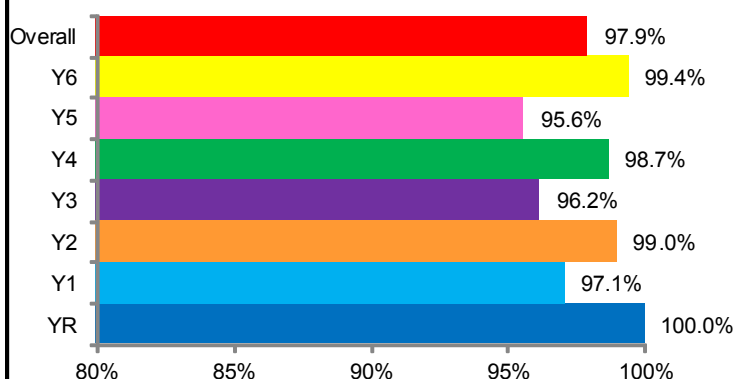
We also welcomed 3 new children in school this week. Liam and Louie have joined Year 3 and Joshua has moved into Year 4. Welcome to you all and to your families. We hope you enjoy being part of Stratford Primary and have great fun as you progress through school.

This weekend we are hosting events for Stratford Literary Festival. On Sunday in our school hall we will be welcoming authors and illustrators David Litchfield, Lydia Monks and Nick Sharratt. If you have not got a ticket for these events yet don't hesitate to go on the website www.stratlitfest.co.uk to get one. There have been lots of events on and around town already this week. Cilla in Year 2 has had a poem published in a volume of poetry from Young Poets which is on sale in Waterstones. This was a competition run for Stratford Literary Festival. Well done. We are looking forward to getting our copy for our school library.

'When you can't find the sunshine be the sunshine.'

Khoroshikh vykhodnykh (Have a good weekend)
Mrs Humphriss

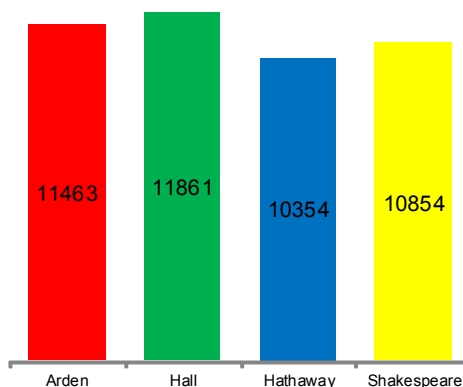
Weekly Attendance by Class



This week's winners of a visit from Desmond the Dragon are Year R with 100%.

Well Done!

House Points - Year to date



Congratulations

Arden

you are this week's House Cup winners



This Weeks Certificates

Achievement Certificates

Reception - Ewan B
Year 1 - Maisy G
Year 2 - Abel B
Year 3 - school trip today!
Year 4 - Josh B
Year 5 - Ruben M
Year 6 - Harry A

Respect Certificates

Arden Esme B
Hathaway Magalie M
Shakespeare Joseph B
Hall George S

EYFS Outdoor Area

Thank you to Mr Hodgkins for his hard work creating a fabulous outdoor area...

Watch this space for more amazing transformations!



Shakespeare Parade and Country Dancing



Literary Festival Competition Winner!



We are delighted to announce that Cilla Barrett was selected to be published in 'Young Poets' 2019 for the poem she wrote for the Stratford Literary Festival competition. The organiser said: "We received an enormous number of entries of a very high standard, but I am delighted to be able to tell you that your poem has been chosen to be included in our Young Poets 2019 book, a collection published by the Festival containing the best entries. We thought your poem was very good and worthy of inclusion."

Well done Cilla, we are very proud of you.

Heart of England - Year 4



'I liked Forest School because we got to see what life was really like for the Saxons.' Emma H



'I really enjoyed going because it's fun to learn about how people lived long ago.' Maya C

'I like the forest trip because we looked at Macbeth and made potions with ingredients from the forest.' Charlie B

'I love how we toasted marshmallows. Yum!' Mia B

National Smile Month 13th May to 13th June

According to Public Health England almost a quarter of 5 year olds have tooth decay with an average 3 or 4 teeth being affected. Prevention is always better than cure, therefore please encourage and supervise your child/ren to clean their teeth twice a day and ensure they visit the dentist for a check-up every 6 months even if there are no problems with their teeth. **NHS dental care for children under 18 is free.** Children should also limit sugary food intake as we know that sugar harms teeth. You can speak to your Dentist if you have any concerns about your child's oral health. The opportunity to discuss any health issues relating to your child is always available and the School Health and Wellbeing Service can be contacted on 03300 245 204 or confidentially text ChatHealth Parentline on 07520 619 376.

National Trust Voluntary Work



'In the school holidays I volunteered at Charlecote Park. It is a National Trust property. I am a member with an official badge. I worked there for 3 days, totalling 12 hours. I wore my Cubs uniform because I am working towards getting my Community Impact Badge. While I was at the Woodyard Café I held the door open for the manager and other visitors. On the first day there, I was upstairs helping to sell raffle tickets to raise money for a replacement heating system. Later that day I had to learn facts to tell visitors in the Ebony Dressing Room and help the children find deer hidden in a trail. The second day I helped sell raffle tickets and helped with the bin run from the Orangery. On my last visit I helped to check children's Easter Egg Hunt answers, stamp their sheets and give them an egg. I also showed them the tadpoles. The staff were very kind and gave me an egg too. I hope I will go again.' - Jack Smithies Year 4.