

# Stratford-upon-Avon Primary 'News'



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Reminders: Year 1 eye test consent to be returned by Mon,

Letters issued this week: Heart of England Y3-5, PGL Y6

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir 3.30-4.30pm Netball 3.30-4.30pm Kidz with Bricks 3.30-4.30pm Y3 Falconry Visit YR and 1 Phonics meeting	Rocksteady Multi Sports Skills 3.30-4.15pm Change Makers 3.30-4.45pm HSBC 8.30-9.00am school hall Y4 Heart of England FOSP AGM 8pm school hall	Drama 3.30-4.30pm Textiles 3.30-4.30pm Football 3.30-4.30pm Y1 Eye Tests	Rocksteady Art 3.30-4.30pm	Achievement Assembly 9.05am

## News from The Executive Head's Desk

Well I don't know about you but I have struggled with deciding what to wear this week; chilly starts to the morning with blazing sun by the end of the day! Beautiful blue skies though and bright sunshine cheer everyone up. I cannot believe we are at the end of week three and there has been plenty going on.

The children are loving the sunshine of course and have been out and about exploring. Year 3 have been learning the basics of hockey. It isn't always easy to control hockey sticks and the balls but they have given it a good go. At least they are not on a freezing cold field in the middle of winter (my memories of learning hockey back in the day.) Our Reception children are an absolute delight and their unit is buzzing with learning. They are impressing me with their phonics and always have a smile for me whenever I see them. I love the fishes they have made on their wall and there was great fun in the mud kitchen this week as they created mud cakes and more. Year One returned from forest school so excited as they had made dream catchers. I hope they work and capture all the good bits of their dreams. Year 5 have been exploring the Space Centre and what an amazing place it is to visit. I was very jealous I couldn't go as I love going there. There is so much to see and do and learn. I can't wait for their next trip – stargazing in the forest is coming up soon. Year 2's classroom is just full of so many different things; what busy bees they have been. I have learnt a French song, seen their science experiments (which sponge creates the most bubbles) and seen some great maths. Year 6 have really impressed me with their maturity and commitment to the school. They are always focussed when I walk in and are focussing on developing their arithmetic fluency and grammar. They are also working with Mrs Withers to improve behaviour even more. So that must just leave Year 4 – what amazing Roman shields they have made. They brighten up the classroom and they have also created a fabulous display of Roman Numerals. I love walking the school every time I return from visiting Heathcote School. It continues to be a real hub for learning and the children are bright eyed and bushy tailed.

I was invited this week to a consultation with Stratford Town Trust. Myself and other school leaders were invited to share our views about our fabulous town. What do we love about Stratford? What is the greatest challenge to the young people of our town? If we had a magic wand what would we do for the town? Do we think there is a strong sense of community in the town? They are meeting lots of different groups to ensure they spend the funds they have available properly for the good of the town. You have the opportunity to contribute to the survey by visiting <https://www.stratfordtowntrust.co.uk/consultation/> Please take the time to do so and help shape our community for the better.

We also welcomed Mr Philip Hamilton our CEO and Mr Edward May – Executive Director and Founding Trustee. They met with us all to share the successes of the trust and our family of schools throughout the year and consult with us all on our work life/balance. It is an old joke that teachers have an easy life of finishing at 3.30pm and have long holidays. The reality of all staff in schools nowadays is very different. The majority of teachers work over 60 hour weeks, the rest of the staff are faced by different pressures from different areas throughout their day. We do this job because we want to make children's lives better, exciting and help them have a great future. We do it because we love it and we all have extremely supportive families to enable us to do so. So if sometimes we look tired or we are a bit short please bear with us. We might have been up late planning fabulous learning for the children, answering emails, writing news or policies or creating great resources. Our trust looks after us and wants to make sure we have a good work/life balance. They are committed to reducing our working weeks.

Coming up next week is our Friends of Stratford Primary Annual General Meeting. It is 8pm at school. We would love to see lots of people join us. We need a new committee. Please consider giving some of your time to shaping the future of our school and fundraising. All support and training is given. Come along and share your thoughts.

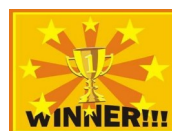
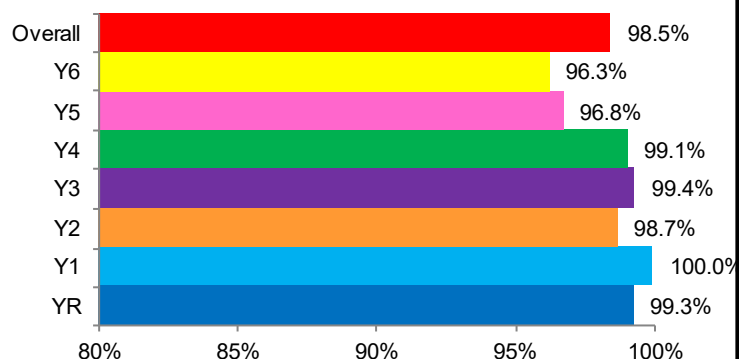
Well we had a fabulous piece of news last week. We received an award from The British Diabetes Society for the care we give to children with diabetes in our school. Well done to all our staff who ensure they are trained, caring and supportive of all our children with medical needs. FAB-U-LOUS!

Have a lovely weekend. Strictly is kicking off this weekend. So guess what I'm doing!!!

'Have a happy Friday, may your day be filled with love and laughter. Have a beautiful day and weekend!' – Winnie the Pooh

Mrs Humphriss

## Weekly Attendance by Class



This week's winners of a visit from Desmond the Dragon are Years 1 with 100%.

Well Done!

## Weekly House Points



## Good Diabetes Care in Schools Award



We are very proud to have been awarded this beautiful trophy to recognise the hard work and dedication of our team in providing the best possible care to our children.

## Dahlicious Photos

Last Friday the children enjoyed their Dahlicious dressing up day and looked fabulous in their costumes. They managed to raise £125 for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.



## Half Term Club



## Stratford upon Avon Primary School

Open Morning – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 – 9.30am  
Open Afternoon – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – 1.30pm

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'The curriculum is broad, balanced and exciting' – OFSTED 2018

## Safeguarding

It is important that we teach our children about protective behaviours.

Knowing their safe places, safe people and that it is ok to say 'no'.



## Year 1

Year One have settled well into their new classroom and routines. They have adapted well to their new environment and have impressed Miss White with how well they have worked at the tables.

This week they received a letter from the little red hen asking for help. She had found an ear of corn but her friends were too lazy to help. The children all wrote a letter back to the little red hen offering their help, there were lots of helpful suggestions such as using a shovel and tips on how to keep the corn alive.

## Year 5 - National Space Centre



'On 19th September Year 5 went to the National Space Centre in Leicester on a coach. When we got there we played, dressed up, discovered and learnt. There were games, challenges, quizzes and even a movie in the planetarium. We had so much fun, it was the best thing ever, even watching Mrs Ingate and Mrs Fade as weather girls - Scorchio!' - Delilah H



## All Parents

May we please remind all parents to ensure that payments and consent for school trips and events are completed/ returned before the trip takes place.