



# THE STRATFORD PRIMARY STANDARD



## DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

**4<sup>th</sup> November – All children return to school**

**8<sup>th</sup> November – Poppy Trail – you are invited to visit the children's remembrance trail. FOSP Psychic evening (see flyer)**

**10<sup>th</sup> November – Selected children lay wreath on Remembrance Sunday**

**11<sup>th</sup> November – Y6 attend Remembrance Gardens for service**

**12<sup>th</sup> November – Odd Sock Day for Anti-Bullying week (children to wear odd socks) / Y6 WW1 visitor**

**13<sup>th</sup> November – School book Fair starts / Y2 Falconry**

**14<sup>th</sup> November – Individual Photo day (Winter uniform to be worn)**

**Please check our uniform policy – children should only be in trainers with permission. Thank you.**



## HOUSE POINTS

**Arden – 769**

**Hall – 820**

**Shakespeare – 785**

**Hathaway – 802**

**Winners - Hall**

# ATTENDANCE

George, Desmond and Mildred have enjoyed their days in the classrooms.

**Our attendance so far is amazing.**

Whole School = 97.5%

Reception = 98% Year One = 96.9%

Year Two = 97.9% Year Three = 97%

Year Four = 98.2% Year Five = 97.5%

Year Six = 97.3%

**Rec, Y4, & Y2 get the dragons – everyone is above national average.**

**Thank you.**



## SAFEGUARDING - IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY



**ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2024**

**CHOOSE RESPECT**

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

**ODD SOCKS DAY 2024**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November

#OddSocksDay #ChooseRespect

**act for  
autism**

**TOGETHER WITH AUTISM  
CONFERENCE**

NUNEATON - SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2024



Anyone in Coventry and Warwickshire with an interest in autism and support available for autistic people, their families and carers are invited to book their free place for the next 'Together with Autism' conference taking place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November – see above. Whether you are an autistic individual, a family member, a professional, or simply interested in finding out more about autism, this free event offers a unique opportunity to connect with others and will be packed with valuable resources, expert insights, and topical workshops. The event is the second of three in-person conferences this year organised by local provider, Act for Autism, in partnership with Coventry and Warwickshire Integrated Care System aimed at supporting the autistic community through information sharing and networking opportunities.



**THANK YOU** for all  
the donations  
received for  
Stratford foodbank  
and to celebrate  
harvest festival.





Our boys football team recently played a game. They worked well as a team and had great sportsmanship. Below are some photos from Halloween dress up day



## MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF MRS HUMPHRISS



Welcome back after the half term holidays. We hope you had a fun and relaxing time.

Our last week of Autumn One half term went really well. We loved seeing so many of you at parent consultations. We hope that you found it useful and enjoyed looking at your child's learning so far. Coming up in the last week of Autumn 2 term we will be holding a showcase evening where you can sit and look at your child's books with them. Keep the date – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

The children looked amazing in their Halloween costumes – there was such a great variety. Thank you on behalf of the Friends of Stratford Primary for all your generous donations for the Christmas Fair.

We have many things coming up this half term as we countdown towards the festive season.

We look forward to seeing you at our annual poppy trail. Don't forget to book for a tour with our Y6 children.

We will also be selling poppies and other items in aid of The British Legion. This is a very important cause to raise money for those who have been injured in wars and conflicts but also for their families. At some point in all our history we will have had a family member who has served in a world war or a conflict. My great grandfather was injured at The Battle of The Somme in WW1, my great uncle served in North Africa in WW2, my husband served in Northern Ireland and now my son serves in The Gulf. All of those who serve do so to keep us safe and ensure we have the right of democracy.

Thank you in advance for your donations. Please read the poem below.

We always remember every year at our school the 28 men who are listed on the town war memorial and who once attended our school as children. Their names live on in our school memories.

'At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.'



## PLEASE BUY A POPPY

"Please wear a poppy," the lady said  
And held one forth, but I shook my head.  
Then I stopped and watched as she offered  
them there,  
And her face was old and lined with care;  
But beneath the scars the years had made  
There remained a smile that refused to fade.

A boy came whistling down the street,  
Bouncing along on care-free feet.  
His smile was full of joy and fun,  
"Lady," said he, "may I have one?"  
When she'd pinned it on he turned to say,  
"Why do we wear a poppy today?"

The lady smiled in her wistful way  
And answered, "This is Remembrance Day,  
And the poppy there is the symbol for  
The gallant men who died in war.  
And because they did, you and I are free -  
That's why we wear a poppy, you see."

"I had a boy about your size,  
With golden hair and big blue eyes.  
He loved to play and jump and shout,  
Free as a bird he would race about.  
As the years went by he learned and grew  
and became a man - as you will, too."

"He was fine and strong, with a boyish smile,  
But he'd seemed with us such a little while  
When war broke out and he went away.  
I still remember his face that day  
When he smiled at me and said, Goodbye,  
I'll be back soon, Mom, so please don't cry."

"But the war went on and he had to stay,  
And all I could do was wait and pray.  
His letters told of the awful fight,  
(I can see it still in my dreams at night),  
With the tanks and guns and cruel barbed  
wire,

And the mines and bullets, the bombs and  
fire."

"Till at last, at last, the war was won -  
And that's why we wear a poppy son."  
The small boy turned as if to go,  
Then said, "Thanks, lady, I'm glad to know.  
That sure did sound like an awful fight,  
But your son - did he come back all right?"

A tear rolled down each faded cheek;  
She shook her head, but didn't speak.  
I slunk away in a sort of shame,  
And if you were me you'd have done the  
same;

For our thanks, in giving, if oft delayed,  
Thought our freedom was bought - and  
thousands paid!

And so when we see a poppy worn,  
Let us reflect on the burden borne,  
By those who gave their very all  
When asked to answer their country's call  
That we at home in peace might live.  
Then wear a poppy! Remember - and give!





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Disability  
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# MultiSports, Fun and Friendship!

LEAP Charity and Fitt 4 Kids  
have a new session, giving young people with Additional  
Needs the chance to have fun, play sports and make  
new friends!!

It's all about sporty themed Fun and Friendship.  
We won't be too competitive, and we'll make sure you stay safe  
while getting some exercise. Qualified Coaches from our partners at  
Fitt 4 Kids will deliver the session alongside LEAP staff.

Venue: Stratford Leisure Centre Sports Hall  
Day: Every Friday during term time  
Autumn term dates: 8th November - 20th December

Time: 5.00pm - 6.00pm (6-13 years)

Please bring a drink and dress for the weather.

Cost: Just £2.50 per session

Join and book now at  
[www.leap.co.uk](http://www.leap.co.uk)

