

# THE STRATFORD PRIMARY STANDARD



## DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

- 9<sup>th</sup> Apr - Y3/4 Performance of Peter Pan - 1.30pm and 5pm
- 11<sup>th</sup> Apr - Easter Service at Holy Trinity 1.30 and break up for Easter Holidays
- 14<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> Apr - Easter Holidays
- 26<sup>th</sup> Apr - Shakespeare Birthday Parade - selected children attending
- 28<sup>th</sup> Apr - Return to school
- 29<sup>th</sup> Apr - Y5 Greek workshop
- 30<sup>th</sup> Apr - Y4 Egyptian workshop
- 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Celebration Assembly and International Dance Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> May - School closed - bank holiday Monday
- 9<sup>th</sup> May - Celebration Assembly
- 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May - SATs week (no leave of absence will be granted)
- 16<sup>th</sup> May - FOSP Spring Disco
- 19<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Walk to School Week
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May - FOSP YES day

## HOUSE POINTS

Arden – 1144

Hall – 1259

Shakespeare – 1107

Hathaway – 1092



**Winners Hall**

## ATTENDANCE

**Our attendance so far is above national average**

Whole School 97.1%

Reception =97.2% Year One =97.5%

Year Two =97.8% Year Three = 97%

Year Four =97.9% Year Five =97.1%

Year Six =95.1%

**Y4 and Y2 and Y1 get the dragons!**



## MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF Mrs Humphriss

As I write this message I am reflecting back on a couple of wonderful two days with Year 4. Mrs Archer, Mrs McCormack, Mrs Fade and myself spent 2 days in York with the children. We pack a lot into those days. We always warn the children there will be a lot of walking and we definitely get our steps in. We set off at 8am on Thursday and made good time up to York arriving at lunchtime and enjoyed sitting in the sunshine whilst we ate our packed lunch. Then it was backpacks on and we set off along the river walk into the city. It was stunning scenery and glorious weather. Once we get to the city walls we set off on a spy trail around the streets of York. This is an opportunity for the children to really immerse themselves in the history of a city which has been in existence since the Romans in 71AD. On our spy trail we look for different things such as; the rose window on the minster, a bible hung above a shop, a star above a former inn, the birthplace of Guy Fawkes, gargoyles, the shortest street 'Whip ma Whop ma gate' and more. We then head back along the river, enjoying an ice cream to keep us going and arrive at the youth hostel to check in and enjoy tea before Mrs McCormack introduces us to a Viking drive (similar to a Beetle drive but drawing a Viking ship) and Mrs Fade leads a quiz before bedtime. The next day after breakfast and packing our cases we set off again along the river and head to the Jorvik centre to find out how Vikings lived and look at the archaeology which was discovered. By the time we have completed this it is lunchtime which we enjoy in the gardens of The DIG centre. Then it is a route march back again to the youth hostel to retrieve our suitcases and get back on the coach and a 3 hour journey back to school. We also took George and Desmond on our trip and they had an amazing time with different people, even getting to sleep in a bunkbed and have their photo with the Vikings! Residential such as this one build children's resilience, provide them with an opportunity to reinforce their learning from the classroom and get to know different places in our great country.

## SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONES RESPONSIBILITY

### Children Dealing with Loneliness - NSPCC

Loneliness is a difficult feeling for anyone, so it's not surprising that children can really struggle when they feel lonely. By learning more about loneliness, you can work with your child to combat it. The Campaign to End Loneliness defines this feeling as: 'a subjective, unwelcome feeling of lack or loss of companionship. It happens when there is a mismatch between the quantity and quality of the social relationships that we have, and those that we want'. While loneliness can be caused by being physically alone, being alone doesn't necessarily lead to feeling lonely. Sometimes children can feel lonely even if they're often with other people. They might be feeling this way if they don't feel properly seen or understood. Loneliness can look and feel different for everyone, but if you're worried about a child in your care, it's good to talk to them about what they might be feeling and experiencing. The NSPCC's new guidance on this issue is well worth a read, and you can find it by following the link below:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/how-help-child-feels-lonely>

## SEND NEWS

Do you often think I wish there was somewhere I could go to get some top tips to support me and my child?

Well – guess what? You can visit the following website and access activities, get advice and read personal stories from other parents and find ways to help and support your family.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/groups/c5vpkq13gpxt>

for parents

### Tips and advice



#### Seven ways to support your child with SEND at school

Dr Anne Emerson, Associate Professor Special and Inclusive Education, provides tips on how to help support your child during their time at school.



What is an EHC plan and how do I get one for my child?



What is dyslexia and how can I help my child?



Katie Price & Harvey: Advice on helping your disabled child reach independence



What is a SENCO and how can they support my child?



## SCHOOL

The girls had a football match this week. No win this time but Miss Postlethwaite was very impressed with their resilience and how they improved each quarter. Well done girls.



We won the interhouse Fitt4 kids cup - 1<sup>st</sup> out of 7 schools. Great result everyone.

Each year group participates in a range of timed activities - gaining points which are totaled together for the school.

We were over the moon to win this cup and the children were really pleased to receive the cup



Year 4's residential to York





# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON



## Easter Services For families

### Palm Sunday 13th April

#### 10:00am Parish Eucharist

Our service for all, with palm crosses given out, and procession. During the service is our breakout group for Primary aged children.



### Weds 16th April

#### 4:15pm Easter Forest Church

We meet in the foyer of Stratford Methodist Church, before entering Holy Trinity Churchyard for our service connecting with God outdoors.



### Good Friday 18th April

#### 9:30am Journey To The Cross

A relaxed informal service, beginning with hot cross buns, with opportunities to make and pray.



### Easter Day Sunday 31st March

#### 10am All Age Eucharist

What better way to celebrate Easter Day than to join us for our service, with Holy Communion, that is suitable for any age.

Followed by an Easter Egg hunt in the churchyard.

**For details of our other Easter services visit our website  
[www.stratford-upon-avon.org](http://www.stratford-upon-avon.org)**

**Holy Trinity Church, Old Town CV37 6BG**

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Please note that you can take your child from church this Friday after our Easter service. If it is someone else collecting please make sure you have informed the school office. Any child not collected will walk back to school with staff so they can either go to Fitt4kids or Cygnets or wait for you to collect them from there.

We also have a lot of lost property - please check the box at the front of school. Thank you.