



# THE STRATFORD PRIMARY STANDARD



## DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

**9<sup>th</sup> December – Year 3 RSC visit**

**10<sup>th</sup> December – Y1/2 Christmas Performance 10am and 2pm**

**11<sup>th</sup> December – Rock Steady Concerts 10am – 11am**

**12<sup>th</sup> December – FOSP Children's Christmas Fair including Santa visiting**

**15<sup>th</sup> December – Reception Theatre Visit**

**16<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Pantomime Visitor – The Wizard of Oz, Y2 singing at Gails & Showcase evening**

**17<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch & Y3 sing at local care home**

**18<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 puppet theatre visitor**

**19<sup>th</sup> December – Celebration assembly & 1pm Holy Trinity service. School closes at 2pm – all children collected from church**

**Christmas Holidays – 22<sup>nd</sup> December to 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

## HOUSE POINTS

**Arden – 1392**

**Hall – 1194**

**Shakespeare – 1370**

**Hathaway – 1287**

**Winners – Arden**



# ATTENDANCE

Attendance from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> December

**Our attendance has been affected by a nasty virus. Please wash hands!**

**Whole School = 95.8%↓**

Reception = 98.3% ↑ Year One = 96.7%=

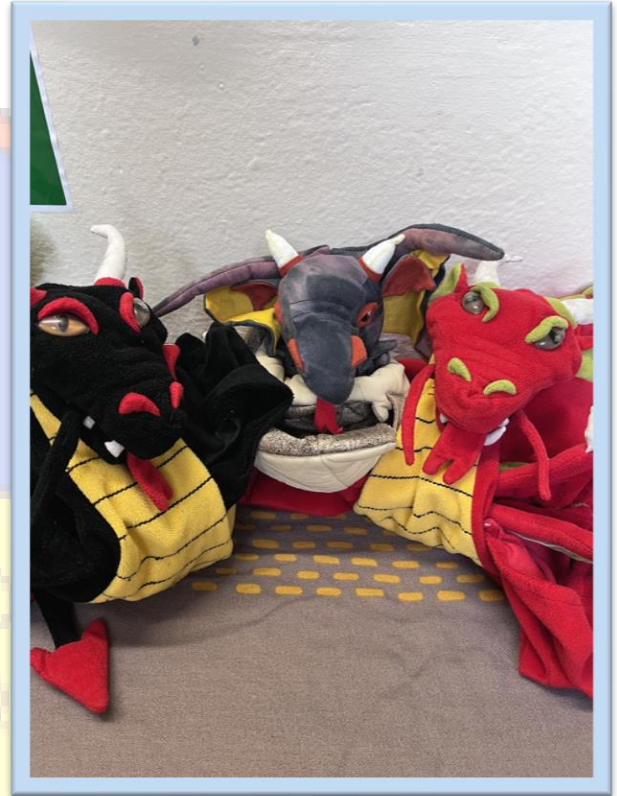
Year Two = 94%↓ Year Three = 95.5%↓

Year Four = 97.2%↓ Year Five = 95.6% ↓

Year Six = 93.1% ↓

**The dragons go to YR, Y4 and Y1**

The arrows indicate if the attendance is up or down from previous week.



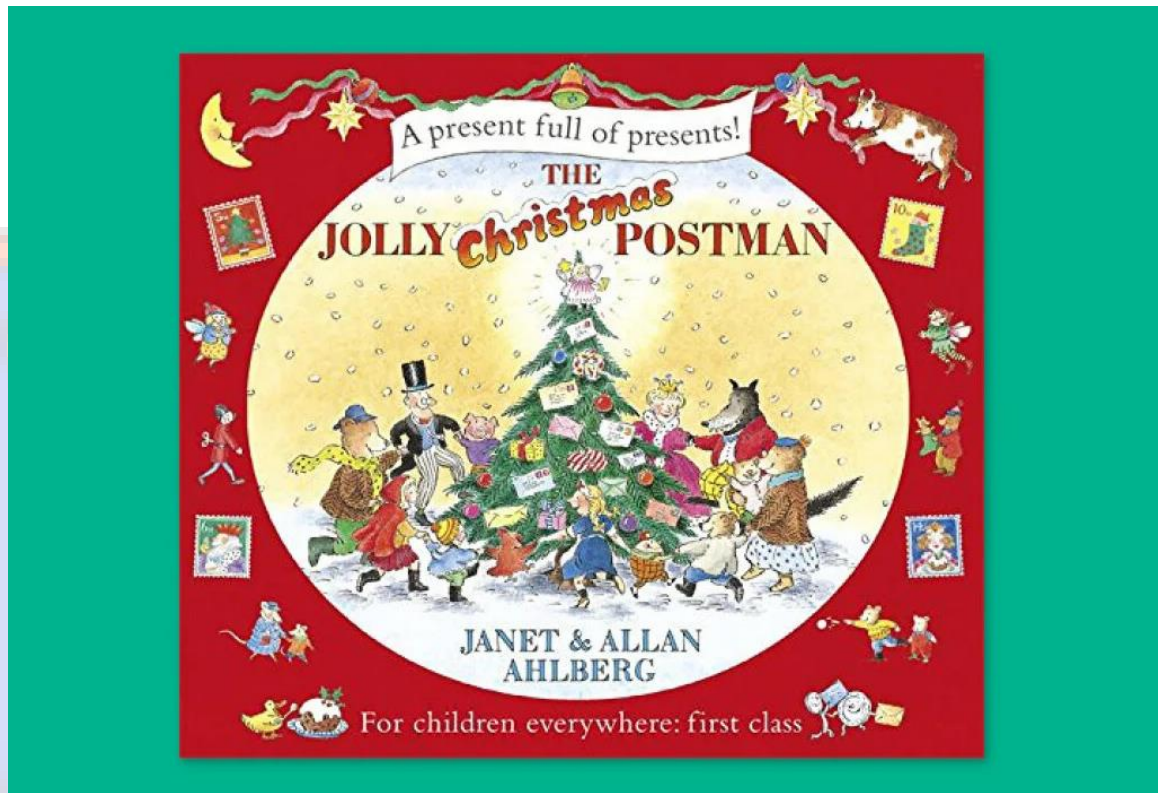
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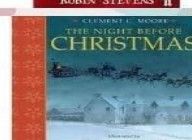
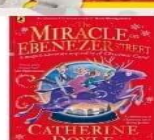
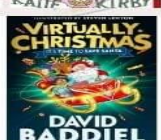
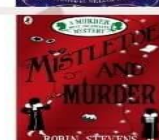
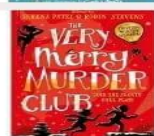
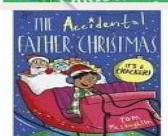
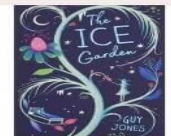
We teach the children through our online safety curriculum the importance of being careful what you share online, including images. Data can be exploited and lead to blackmail.

We also urge parents and carers to be really careful about what you share about your child online. Make sure any images don't show where your child might live or any data you put on there doesn't identify personal details such as age. `

## BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS



## CHRISTMAS BOOK IDEAS OLDER CHILDREN

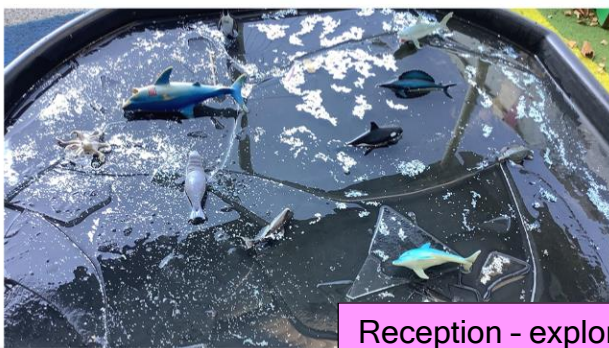


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## Our vision and curriculum in action

To create a happy place, where children and adults learn and flourish in a creative, rewarding atmosphere and are given as many opportunities & experiences to increase their life chances and careers.



Reception - exploring the forest, writing to Santa, practicing phonics, scientific exploration of ice, teamwork - engineering car ramps, matching numbers.







Reception Nativity - an incredible performance. We wish you could all have seen it.



Such great singing, saying of lines and characterization. Watch out RSC - future actors in the making.





## MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF MRS HUMPHRISS



*Since our last newsletter our school has been transformed ready for Christmas. Our hard-working FOSP committee have been in almost every day decorating the corridors. Lots of twinkling lights, stars, trees and garlands everywhere. A huge thank you to all of FOSP. It looks so beautiful.*

*The hall has rung to the sound of amazing singing and children practicing their lines. Reception wowed the whole school and their families with an accomplished Nativity. They were so confident and knew all of their words. Year One and Two have also been busy rehearsing in preparation for their play coming up. Key Stage Two have been learning Christmas songs galore as they are going to be out and about visiting different care homes to share festive joy over the next 2 weeks. We love going out and about into the community.*

*We are also smashing it in the sporting world. Our dodgeball team went off to the finals in Warwick and did so well. They came 3<sup>rd</sup> out of Warwickshire schools. The children have been wearing their medals with pride all week.*

*So much to look forward in the final weeks of term. We hope lots of you will come in for our showcase evening on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December so that you can sit with your child and take a look at all the learning they have been doing during Autumn Term.*

*Keep checking class dojo so you are up to date with events coming up. More photos of learning below.*



Year One decorating Divas and making sweets for Diwali.  
Walking conscience alley - should Goldilocks apologise?  
Science experiment.



## Our super scientists dissected owl pellets!

On 27th November, Year 2 **dissected owl pellets**. Owl pellets are spat out by owls. They are the parts of their **prey** that they are not able to **digest**. We were investigating the question:

**What does a British barn owl eat?**







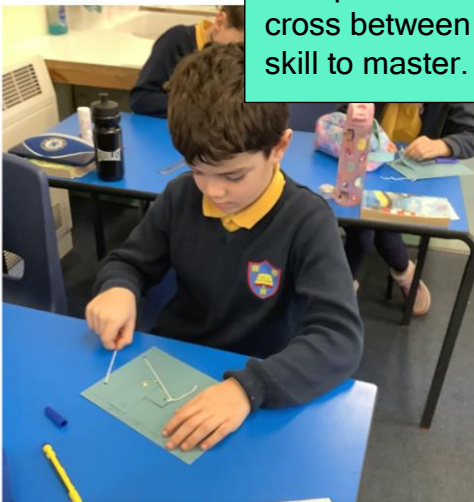
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LEARNING CHORDS C,D,E AND  
PLAYING HOT CROSS BUNS

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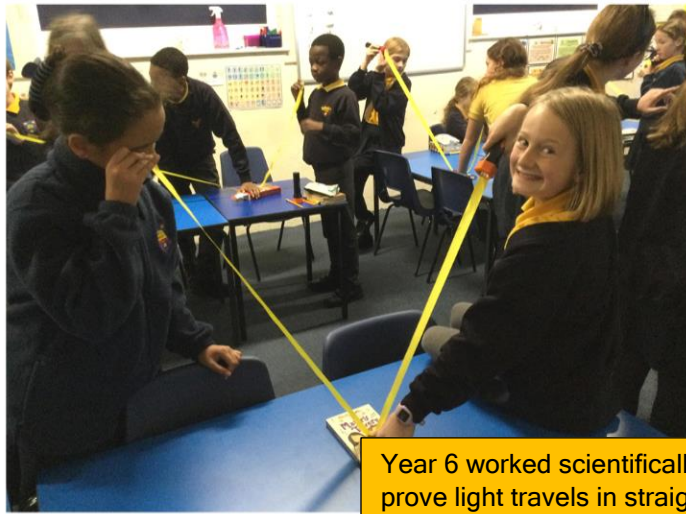


Year 3 learning the glockenspiel in music and also demonstrating skills in road safety. Sometimes there may not be a safe place to cross so learning how to cross between park cars is an important skill to master.

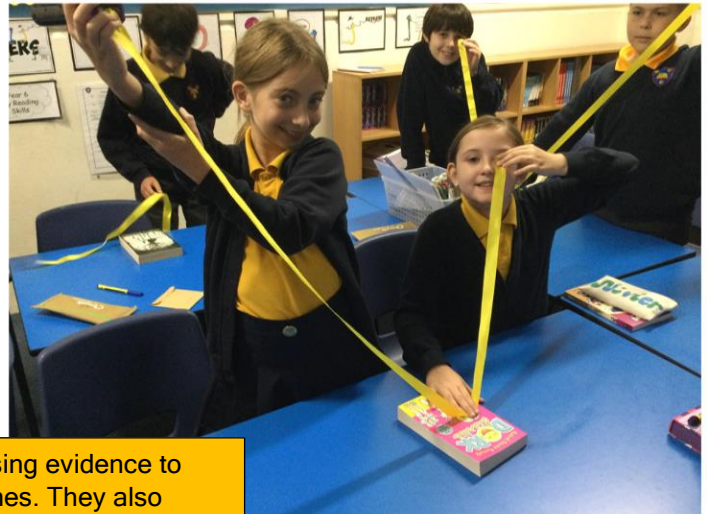


Year Five came into their classroom to see a disaster! It was a crime scene - questions were asked!! Who had made such a mess of their classroom? Why was George the Dragon hanging from his tail? When did it happen? Surely the alarms would have gone off! Their mission to investigate and write a newspaper report for people to make their own mind up. In STEM they also explored how bones move using moving parts.





Year 6 worked scientifically, using evidence to prove light travels in straight lines. They also learnt to sew using running stitch, whip stitch and blanket stitch. This is part of their WW2 Make Do and Mend knowledge.







Winning sports teams - our 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in Hockey and below representatives from the school with the Fitt4kids Interschools Trophy.





**JOIN US AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE FOR FUN, GAMES,  
STORY-SCRIBBLING AND A SCRUMPTIOUS FESTIVE PICNIC!**

Bring a feast. Bring a blanket. Bring pens and bold ideas.  
Blank-Shift exists to encourage a love of words, invention and story-telling; we  
promise a party of creativity, with prompts, tips, music,  
games and brilliance—all inspired by the wonderful world of Dahl.

Open to both members and non-members, we'll get your pens moving and  
your Christmas Christmassing!

**MONDAY DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**

**1pm-4pm**

**THE DREAM FACTORY, WARWICK**

**for 6-10yrs**

**(£28 and with limited places)**

Book your slot now by emailing:

**[blankshift@playboxtheatre.com](mailto:blankshift@playboxtheatre.com)**





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**CHILDREN-ONLY**

# **CHRISTMAS FAIR**

**Friday 12th December in school time**

£7.50 per child to include bag of 10 tokens  
**AND** a visit from Father Christmas  
in his sleigh with a gift.

Please bring correct change  
in an envelope into school  
office starting from 1st December.

