



# THE STRATFORD PRIMARY STANDARD



## DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

**17<sup>TH</sup> September – Year 2 Meet the Teacher**

**18th September – Year 6 Meet the Teacher & FOSP AGM**

**24<sup>th</sup> September – Year 5 Bell Boating**

**25<sup>th</sup> September – Parent Workshop with Family Support Worker**

**27<sup>th</sup> September – Year 2 Parade for Holy Trinity Community event**

**Don't forget to send your child in with a coat please. We go out in all weathers.**

**Don't forget to inform us who can and can't collect at the end of the day**

**REMINDER – WE OPERATE A ONE WAY SYSTEM. DO NOT WALK ACROSS THE CAR PARK IN THE MORNING PLEASE. Also NO DOGS ON SCHOOL SITE. They must stay in the car park.**

## HOUSE POINTS



**Arden – 1901**

**Hall – 1985**

**Shakespeare – 1885**

**Hathaway – 1830**

**Winners - Hall**

# ATTENDANCE

*George, Desmond and Mildred are pleased.*

**Our attendance so far is good.**

**Whole School = 96.2%**

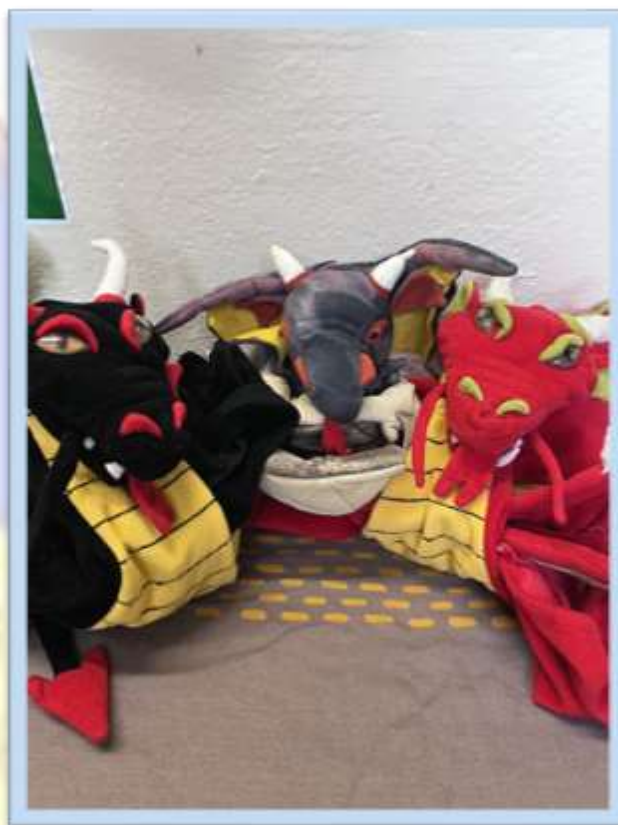
Reception = 96.2% Year One = 88.6%

Year Two = 97.4% Year Three = 98.2%

Year Four = 99.6% Year Five = 94.2%

Year Six = 99.1%

**Y4, Y6 & Y3 get the dragons.**



## SAFEGUARDING - IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

You will hear the word 'safeguarding' talked about a lot at school and in many of our documents. What does it mean or look like for your child?

In education settings, the term 'Safeguarding' refers to the process of protecting children from harm. This includes protecting them from abuse, neglect and exploitation. Safeguarding processes, policies and procedures are put in place to ensure children are safe and happy, and that they have the opportunity to reach their full potential and thrive.

As a parent or carer you have a vital role to play in safeguarding your child. You are the first line of defence against harm. By being aware of the risks and taking steps to protect your child, you can help to keep them safe.

Safeguarding is not just about protecting children from physical harm. It's also about protecting them from emotional harm. This includes protecting them from bullying, cyberbullying and other forms of emotional abuse. Parents and carers also play an enormous role in teaching children about personal safety, online safety and dangers they may encounter in their everyday lives and by being proactive, informed and involved. In our weekly newsletter we will share top tips, you can find more on our safeguarding page on our website. Follow this link... [https://www.stratfordprimary.co.uk/web/safeguarding\\_1/579229](https://www.stratfordprimary.co.uk/web/safeguarding_1/579229).

Watch out for a safeguarding letter coming soon with more information.



Our school has signed up to the Safe and Active Schools Programme 2025-2026. We followed this last year and gained our Platinum award. As part of the programme all children will be receiving age-appropriate road safety sessions, and we will also be participating in and promoting active travel.

We recognise how important messaging is for our children. Your children copy your actions, and your behaviour serves as a powerful role model. We would like to ask all our families to model the safest behaviours near the road for children to copy and make good choices around travelling actively on the school run.

We will be sharing messages and ideas from the Safe and Active Schools team and further information about the children's road safety learning in school throughout the year.

For further information about road safety and active travel you can follow or contact the road safety education team.

X (previously Twitter) - **@WCCSafe\_Active**

Facebook - **@WCCSafeActiveTravel**

Email - [roadsafetyeducation@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:roadsafetyeducation@warwickshire.gov.uk)

Our first action will be on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September when every child will participate in a 'hands up survey' to find out how they travelled to school that day. We will then begin our campaign to encourage our families to walk or cycle to school more often to reduce the amount of cars on our roads. Half-way through the year we will complete the survey again to compare.

We will also ask children to join our road-safety committee and they will lead the road safety campaign this year.



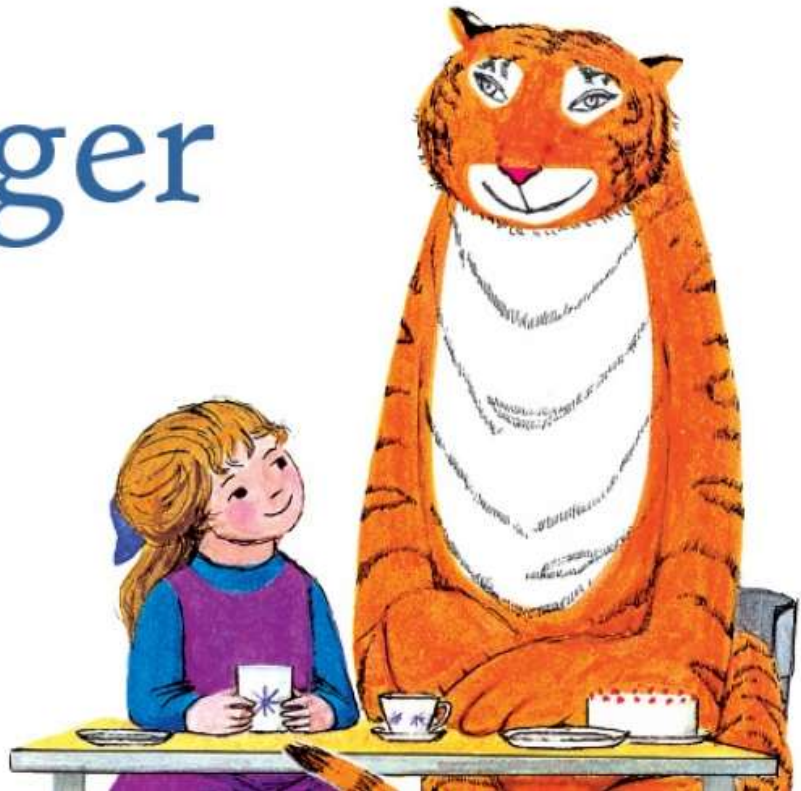
# Year 3 visit Stonehenge





**BOOK  
RECOMMENDATIONS**

# The Tiger Who Came to Tea





## MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF MRS HUMPHRISS

What a lovely start to the new academic year we have had. The children have settled so well and it is great to hear our school classrooms and corridors echo with their laughter and chatter.

A big welcome to our new families of all our Reception children. Our Reception children are a delight and we look forward to getting to know them over the next 7 years. We have also welcomed Elena and Millie in Year 3 and Aarush in Year 6. Our school is full with waiting lists on our year groups. So great to know our school is so well thought of in the community.

Welcome as well to Ms Chapleo who is teaching Year 2 and is our new English lead. You may have met her already on the school gate. She is looking forward to getting to know you all and contribute to our school development. Mr Kelly has also joined us as our new PPA (planning, preparation and assessment) teacher. Each teacher is entitled to 10% release time and Mr Kelly will teach the class in their absence. He is going to be focusing on STEM (Science, technology, engineering & maths) as well as music and French.

Democracy has been present throughout the school as our Year 6's wrote and presented speeches to the different houses and the children voted for their House and Vice Captains. Congratulations to Chloe M, Imy J and Simran (Shakespeare), Alex & Molly (Hathaway), Darcey B & Joseph (Arden) and Chloe D, Jack & Matty (Hall). They will introduce themselves in our next newsletter.

The children also voted for school council members in their year groups. The council will work on road safety and eco issues. Well done to Harrison, Sienna, Alice, Lyla, Elena, James, William & Charlotte George & Freya who are looking forward to their new roles.

We also started our year off reminding ourselves of the following values: Respect, Responsibility and Resilience plus being our own best friend and looking after our mental health.

Remember 'A friend is one of the nicest things you can have and one of the nicest things you can be.' *In the words of Winnie the Pooh.*





# HOW TO BE YOUR OWN BEST FRIEND

SPEAK KINDLY  
TO YOURSELF

HAVE SELF  
COMPASSION

MAKE FRIENDS  
WITH YOUR  
INSECURITIES



PUT YOUR OWN  
NEEDS FIRST

LEARN TO HAVE  
FUN ALONE

ACCEPT RATHER  
THAN PUNISH  
YOURSELF

Calling Year 6 - deadline to apply for a secondary school place for September 2026 is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025. If you apply by this date you will receive your child's school offer on National offer day - 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026. Applications made after this date will be classified as late and won't be processed until after **2 March 2026**, by which time many schools will be full and you are much less likely to be offered a place at your preferred school. <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/422/applying-for-a-secondary-school-place>

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September  
Application opens

31 October  
Closing date for  
applications

31  
December  
Extended closing date  
for house moves

2 March  
National Offer Day

27 March  
Deadline for  
submitting appeals

**PHOTOS FROM AROUND SCHOOL****EXPLORING BULBS AND SEEDS**

In Science, we observed and categorised different types of bulbs and seeds. We dissected an onion bulb. At Forest School, we looked for flowers that were growing from bulbs or seeds. We spotted wild cyclamen.









# Stratford Sharing Stories



## Events for Families

Box Office: 0333 666 3366  
or online at [stratfest.co.uk](http://stratfest.co.uk)  
All ticket prices include a booking fee.

Please note:  
Adults are also expected to buy a ticket to events unless otherwise stated.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct

Maz Evans  
The Last Bard  
£8.55 | 10.30am | Age 8+



Will is the last descendant of William Shakespeare, and he's accidentally summoned his characters to help with some neighbourly troubles. Comedy, tragedy, history: Will's world has it all... the superstar author Maz Evans is back with a new standalone story. Join her and find out more!

The Last Bard  
Get Writing Workshop!  
£10.65 | 12pm | Age 8+

Join Maz – the bestselling author of *Who Let the Gods Out* and new book *The Last Bard* – in an inspiring workshop for young writers. Dive into Shakespeare's wacky world and find out how to tell your story in five easy acts. Plus hear Maz read a snippet from her brand new story.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct

Cat Weatherill  
A Visit from Mother Goose  
FREE | 2pm | Age 3+



Fire imaginations and get creative with a joyous introduction to the traditional fairy tale character of Mother Goose. Presented by storyteller Cat Weatherill, this hugely entertaining session will feature stories, nursery rhymes and puppets.

Please note that this event is at Stratford Library!



Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct

Ursula Jeakins  
Craft Workshop:  
Stationery and Bookmaking  
£15.04 | 2-4pm | Age 11+\*

Make your own stunning notebooks and stationery using bookbinding techniques under the expert guidance of Ursula Jeakins. There'll be take-home kits available for purchase. Please note: sharp craft knives are used at this workshop. Instruction will be given but participants use them at their own risk. Ticket prices includes all materials.



\*Young people under 14 years can attend alone but a carer must be left. The Festival cannot be responsible for their care.

# CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK '25

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13 - 17 October

