



THE STRATFORD PRIMARY STANDARD



DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

15th July - Rock Steady Concerts & Showcase evening

16th July - Reports out

17th July - Final Celebration Assembly of the Year

18th July - Y6 Leavers Assembly and Final service of the year at Holy Trinity

Break up for summer holidays 2pm - all children to be collected from church

1st, 2nd, 3rd September - Staff Training Days (school closed to children)

Children return to school - Thursday 4th September 2025

9th September - Year 4 Helping Hands workshop

11th September - Year 3 visit to Stonehenge

12th September - First celebration assembly of the year

18th September - Friends of Stratford Primary Annual General Meeting

19th September - Celebration Assembly

26th September - Family Support Worker parent workshop

27th September - Holy Trinity Community Parade

HOUSE POINTS

Arden – 562

Hall – 464

Shakespeare – 566

Hathaway – 575 Congratulations Hathaway – this week's winners



ATTENDANCE

**Over the year we have been reporting cumulative attendance from start of the academic year.
For the summer term we will report Mon -Fri weekly attendance.**



Reception = 96.7%↓

Year One = 99.7%↑

Year Two = 99%↓

Year Three = 97.2%↓

Year Four = 98.4%↓

Year Five = 96.8%↑

Year Six = 99.3%↓

Whole School = 96.7%↓

Winners of attendance
for week 7th to 11th July

The dragons go to....

Year 1

Year 6

Year 2

MESSAGE FROM THE DESK OF Ms Parton

Last week was another wonderful example of the rich, wide-ranging curriculum we are so proud to offer here at Stratford Primary.

We began the week by waving off our Year 6 pupils as they headed off on their residential to Manor Adventure—an exciting week of outdoor challenges and memory-making. Back at school, the rest of the children launched into our celebrations for Multicultural Week, and what a fantastic week it was!

Each class explored the theme of journeys, drawing on powerful stories and creative opportunities across the curriculum. Reception and Year 1 focused on the beautifully illustrated wordless book *Journey* by Aaron Beaker, while Years 2–5 explored *The Human Journey* by Alice Roberts, using it as a springboard for thoughtful discussions around migration and refugees.

In Art, the children took an imaginative trip to Australia, creating stunning Aboriginal-inspired paintings. They used traditional symbols to tell their own personal stories of journey and belonging. Over in Geography, pupils worked collaboratively to create maps based on the texts, tracing the early migration of humans from Africa to other parts of the world. Using mixed media—textured papers, fabrics, and natural resources—they brought these journeys to life, travelling through Asia, Europe, Australia, and the Americas. English lessons saw some truly inspiring writing. Each year group created their own unique story, set in a different location around the world: Year 2 – the African savannah, Year 3 – the Australian outback, Year 4 – the Asian rainforest, Year 5 – Ice Age Europe.

But the journey didn't stop there! The children also explored movement and emotion through dance, creating a piece inspired by the journey of refugees. This was influenced by Little Amal—the powerful 12-foot puppet representing a 10-year-old Syrian refugee girl, who has become a global symbol of human rights and compassion.

We ended the week by welcoming parents into school to celebrate and share the children's incredible work. It was a true showcase of creativity, understanding, and empathy—and we're sure you'll agree, it was simply fantastic.

And now, here we are in the final week of term! We're looking forward to ending the year on a high, and we know the children will enjoy every moment.

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONES RESPONSIBILITY

Lego Build and Talk



A core part of the NSPCC's 10-year strategy is to ensure children are safe online. To help achieve this we've teamed up with the LEGO Group to help promote their fun, free [Build & Talk activities](#). The six 'adventures' help parents and caregivers talk with their children about key online safety topics through the joy of LEGO play.

[Visit the LEGO website](#)

SEND NEWS or support

All National Online Safety resources are designed to support parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they find it needed. This guide focuses on one topic of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, tips and tips for adults.

What parents need to know about AGE RATINGS

bbfc **PEGI**

If you have children, it is understandable to have concerns about the films and TV shows they watch, as well as the games they play. In this guide, we take a look at the two official ways you can assess if a particular title is suitable for your child. Both the BBFC and PEGI have search facilities on their websites that can be used to look up the age ratings so you can check their range.

RATINGS FOR FILMS, TV & MUSIC VIDEOS

Since 1912, the BBFC (British Board of Film Classification) has information on the age suitability of films, TV and music videos, providing parents with the information needed to assess whether or not it is appropriate for their child's age. This applies to cinema releases, DVD and streaming video services such as Netflix.

WHAT ARE THE BBFC RATINGS?

BBFC ratings are broken down into seven age categories:

- U** (Universal): Suitable for all ages
- PG** (Parental Guidance): Suitable for children aged 8 and over
- 12** (12): Suitable for children aged 12 and over
- 12A** (12A): Suitable for children aged 12 and over, with parental guidance
- 15** (15): Suitable for persons aged 15 and over
- 18** (18): Suitable for persons aged 18 and over
- R18** (R18): Suitable for persons aged 18 and over, with parental guidance

WHAT ELSE CAN BBFC REVEAL?

Accompanied with the age suitability rating, BBFC also provides an additional warning regarding the content that is likely to depict, such as games, sexual content, violence and anything you may consider to be inappropriate for your child. In addition to this, the content is also rated in three levels: frequent, mild or strong.

LIMITATIONS OF BBFC RATINGS

It's important to note that there is no obligation on streaming video services to use or display BBFC ratings. Due to this, we advise that you check the age suitability of any game or film that you intend to watch or play. It is also important to check the content of any game or film that you intend to watch or play, as it may contain content that is not suitable for your child.

RATINGS FOR GAMES

PEGI (Pan European Game Information) is a content rating system that assesses all video games and is labelled with a minimum age recommendation. These age recommendations are based on the types of content featured within a game. With each game, PEGI also provides a content descriptor that indicates the principal issues and concerns, including sex, violence, bad language and drugs.

WHAT ARE THE PEGI RATINGS?

PEGI ratings are split into age restriction and content descriptors. Age restriction ratings help parents and children to understand the type of content featured within a particular game, including sex, bad language, discrimination, gambling, drugs, violence, and in-game purchases. In combination, the two make ratings a good source of information to help make informed decisions regarding the suitability for your child.

PEGI age ratings are broken down into five categories:

- 3** (3): Suitable for ages 3 and over
- 7** (7): Suitable for ages 7 and over
- 12** (12): Suitable for ages 12 and over
- 16** (16): Suitable for ages 16 and over
- 18** (18): Suitable for ages 18 and over

LIMITATIONS OF PEGI RATINGS

It's possible for young people to buy games online without a required parental ID, meaning they can be exposed to content not suitable for their age. We advise that you check the content of any game that you intend to play, as it may contain content that is not suitable for your child.

PARENTAL CONTROLS

It is a good idea to put in place parental controls for all online accounts. This prevents play up to purchase or download online games e.g. The App Store, Google Play Store, PlayStation Store and Microsoft Store etc.

Source: www.bbfc.co.uk Source: www.pegi.info

www.nationalonlinesafety.com Twitter: @nationalonlinesafety Facebook: /NationalOnlineSafety

Age Appropriate Online Games

Just a reminder for adults to check out age appropriate games for your child.

Remember children need to be taught the difference between reality and imagination.

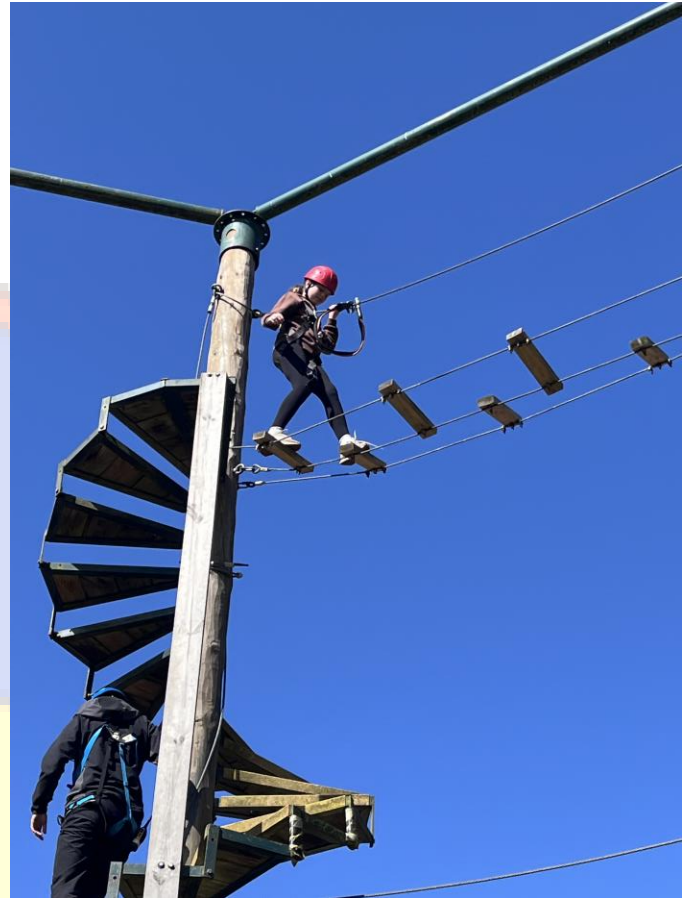
Many games have violence in them and children will mimic this in the playground so ensuring they are not exposed to violence or games beyond their age is important.

Please look at the age related symbols for more guidance - click the poster to open in a new window.

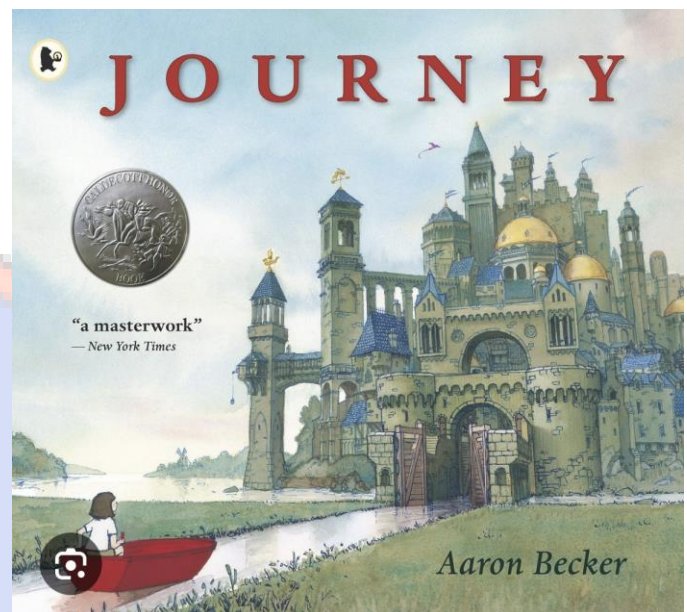
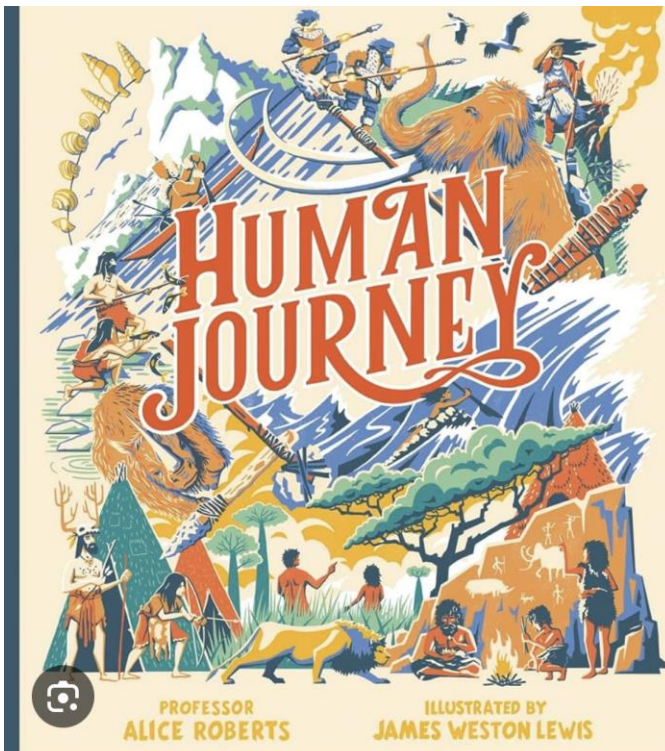
A round up of school life



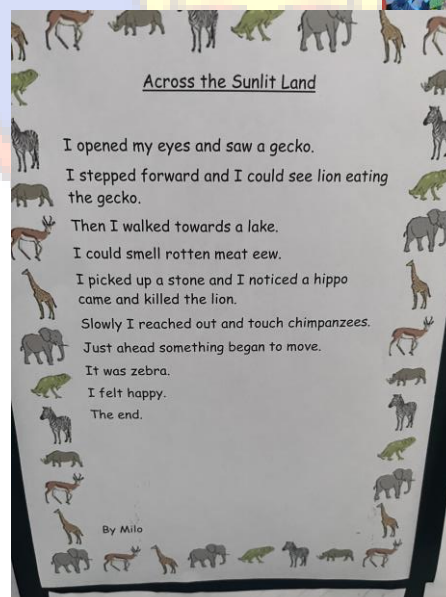
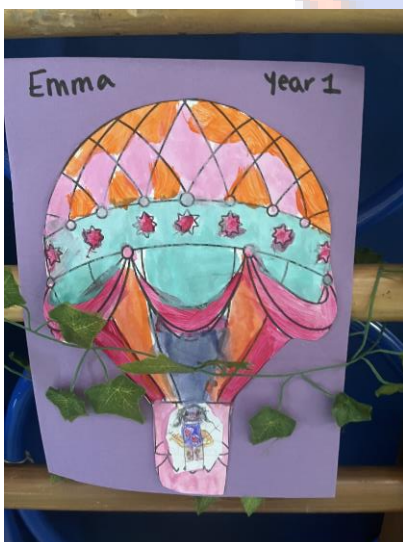
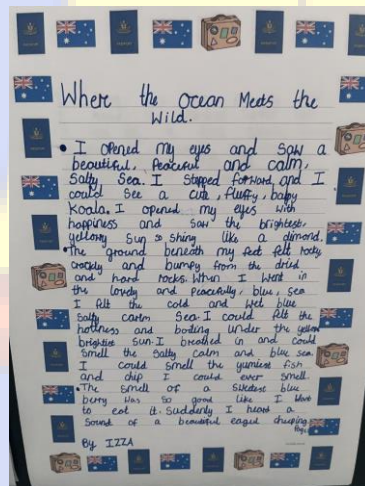
Year 6 Residential Manor Adventure



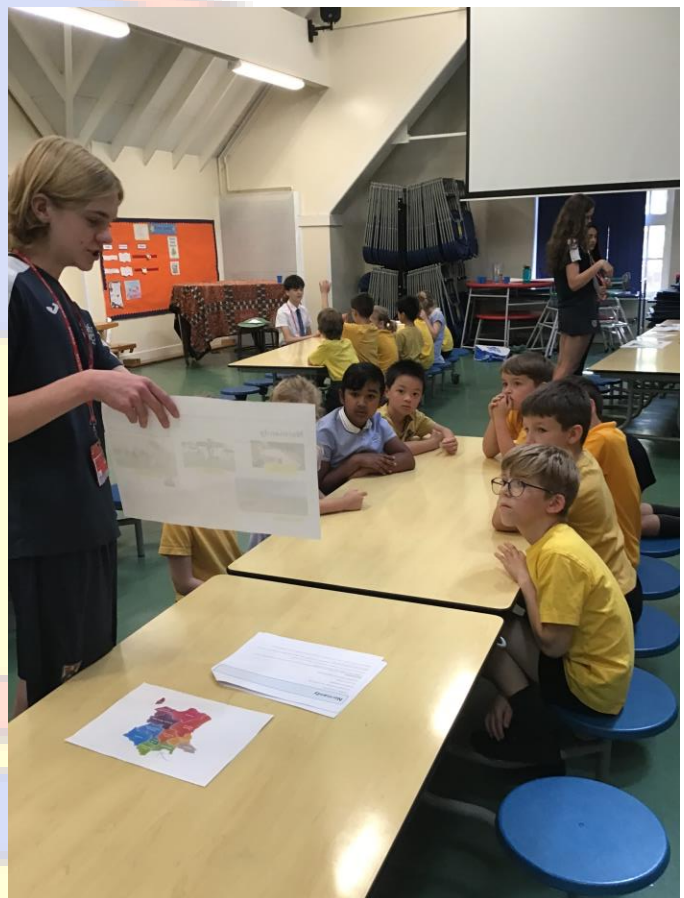




*Collaborative artwork
where geography meets
history and art by Years
2, 3, 4 and 5*



On Thursday 10th July we travelled to France as part of our multicultural week. Reception and year one practised a French song and learnt some French vocabulary all about going on holiday. They had lots of fun doing all the actions to the music! Years 2-5 were treated to a French workshop with Mrs Rogers, Head of MFL at Stratford Upon Avon School, along with 6 of her year 9 students. They explored the different regions of France and learnt about the regional food, sport and even artists which come from these areas. The children really enjoyed learning about French culture and we are so grateful to Mrs Rogers and her students for giving up their time to deliver the workshop.



Wilder Families Fest

Saturday 26th July 1.30 - 3.30pm
at Brandon Marsh (CV3 3GW)



£5 per family
Booking
required!



Join us for an afternoon full of wild activities

Get ready for pond dipping, bug hunting,
wild play and much more!

Relax in our chill zone or get hands on in
our Action for Nature tent!

How to make natural dyes



You will need:

- Protective gloves
- Large bucket
- Natural fibres or fabric eg. cotton, silk, linen, wool
- Salt and vinegar
- 5 litres of water
- Sieve
- Old pans
- Wooden spoons
- Tongs
- Selection of colourful leaves, berries, flowers and plant roots.

1 Place the fabric into a bucket of cold water.

For berry-based dyes, add 1 cup of salt to 4 cups of water



For non-berry dyes, add 1 cup of vinegar to 4 cups of water

2 Leave the fabric to soak for at least 2 hours, then remove and rinse thoroughly with cold water. To create patterns, try tying knots into the fabric.



3 Separate the berries, leaves, flowers and roots into different colours. Use one pile at a time. Squash in an old pan and cover with cold water.

4 Simmer for an hour, stirring often. Remove from the heat, and when it's cooled, use tongs and a sieve to strain out bits of sticks and leaves.



Be careful not to breathe in the fumes

5 Wearing gloves, plunge the fabric into your pan of dye, making sure it's submerged. Soak overnight or put it back on to simmer for 10 minutes.



6 When you're happy with the new colour of your fabric, remove it from the dye. Rinse well, and leave to dry outside.



Greens and yellows

- red onion skins
- grass
- nettles
- spinach

Reds, pinks and purples

- elderberries
- blackberries
- rose hips
- sloes

Browns and oranges

- onion skins
- turmeric
- old tea bags
- soil

www.wildlifewatch.org.uk

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TAKE PART IN THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Story Garden

Starts on Saturday 5th July

Read books, share what you have been reading and collect your medal & certificate at the end at your local Warwickshire Library.



Find events



How it works

**Find
fantastic reads
in the
library**

**Download
eBooks or listen
to audio books
with
BorrowBox**

**Discuss your
reading with
your new
classmates
in Sept**

THE
READING
AGENCY**Summer Reading Challenge**

Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a **FREE**, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

Why Join?

- It's **FREE!** Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a **lifelong love of reading**
- Boosts **confidence, creativity, and imagination**
- Earn **rewards, certificates, and prizes**
- Fun for the whole **family**. Visit your **local library** together
- **95%** of children said they **read more** after joining!
- Children **choose their own books** to read over the summer, **collect rewards** for each milestone they reach, and **receive a certificate or medal** when they complete the challenge.



Visit your local library or go online at
summerreadingchallenge.org.uk
to get started from 5 July 2025.

Help your child start their reading adventure today!



3rd Stratford upon Avon Brownies

Spaces available in
September for girls in years 3
or 4. Mondays 6pm-7.20pm at
Holy Trinity Parish Hall.

Please message Miranda on
07968 294174

Have fun, make friends and
learn new things!!

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