

# THE STRATFORD PRIMARY STANDARD



## DATES AND THINGS TO REMEMBER

3rd December -Reception Theatre visit Smeds & Smoos

3rd December -Y1 Maths workshop for parents

4th December- Parent Neurodiversity Workshop

5th December -Rock Steady concerts

6th December -FOSP Children's Christmas fair

10th December - Reception Nativity 9:30

11th December -Y1/2 Christmas performance

12th December -Open morning for reception 2025

13th December -Celebration assembly

13th December - Choir event

## HOUSE POINTS

**Arden – 705**

**Hall – 688**

**Shakespeare – 677**

**Hathaway – 647**



**Winners Arden**

## MESSAGE FROM THE TRUST AND GOVERNORS



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28.11.24

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*We are profoundly shocked and saddened by the news of the death of Mrs Humphriss's husband, as we know you will be. Our deepest sympathies are with Mrs Humphriss and her family during this incredibly difficult time.*

*As Mrs Humphriss said in her note on Friday, she is now taking compassionate leave to grieve and be with her family. Ms Parton is acting up as Head of School, ably supported by an excellent senior management team of Miss White, Mrs McCormack and Mrs Chisholm. We expect these arrangements to be in place until at least the end of the Autumn term. Governors of course continue to visit the school as usual, and the Trust are in weekly contact with Ms Parton and available for any additional support if needed.*

*We know at present that Mrs Humphriss has asked for privacy, but if you do wish to express your condolences, please put a card or note into the school office and they will ensure it is kept safe until Mrs Humphriss returns.*

*Ms Parton, governors and the trust will provide any updates as we get them.*

With all best wishes to you and deepest sympathies to Mrs Humphriss

Mrs Brown (Director of Primaries, CAT)  
Ms O'Hanlon (Chair of Governors)  
Mrs Llewellyn (Vice Chair)  
Mr Mandava (Vice Chair)  
Mrs Kennedy  
Mrs Dallimore  
Mrs Palmer  
Mrs Stone

# ATTENDANCE

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

**Our attendance so far is amazing.**



Whole School =97.42%

Reception = 97.48% Year One = 97.21%

Year Two =97.93 % Year Three =96.98%

Year Four = 98.01% Year Five = 97.38%

Year Six =96.94 %

**Y4, Y2 & YR get the dragons – everyone is above national average.  
Thank you.**

## SAFEGUARDING - IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

### For Parents - Roblox Major Safety Updates.

Last week Roblox, the game used by 90 million people daily, announced some major updates which are available to users and parents. The rollout has already started and will be fully implemented by March 2025. These safety updates include:

Limits to how children under 13 can communicate.

Parental controls accessible from the parents phone rather from the child's device (remote management).

There's too much detail to include within an email so to see an explanation of all the new features visit the Roblox website:

<https://corp.roblox.com/newsroom/2024/11/major-updates-to-our-safety-systems-and-parental-controls>

## SEND NEWS

### Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan

If your child has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) then you will have been asked about your school preferences by the SEND Assessment and Review (SENDAR) team as part of your child's annual review process or when the draft EHCP was issued. If you have not already submitted your preferred school(s) you can do so using this form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=BqqwiCdZu0uok4nMJxOsglMJ2emrzs9Lp2nzh8jsjdNUMDVMNVE1NVdNNUkxNEJQVFhKV1pOWUdPNyQIQCN0PWcu>

If you need further guidance and support, please contact your child's EHCP Coordinator or contact the team via email - [sen@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:sen@warwickshire.gov.uk) or phone 01926 742160.

## BOOK FAIR

### Thank You for Supporting Our Book Fair!

A huge thank you to all the amazing parents who purchased books from the book fair. Thanks to your generosity, we not only reached our target of £1,000 but surpassed it with total sales of £1,018.67!

This incredible achievement means the school receives 50% of the sales, allowing us to purchase new books for our library and further enrich our students' reading experiences.

We truly appreciate your support!



## CURRICULUM

### **Thank you to our reception families who took part in the workshop on Tuesday as part of the Mastering Number Parent/Carer Project.**

This national project from the NCETM (National Centre for the Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics) aims to secure firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. The aim is that children will leave KS1 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number, ready for KS2.

During the workshop, the children and their adults practised subitising, which is the ability to instantly recognise a small quantity of objects without the need to count. They then played some of the games that the reception children will be bringing home with them next week for Home Learning.

#### **We had lots of positive feedback ...**

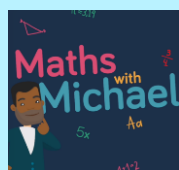
*"It's invaluable to get an understanding of the terms and language used in the classroom"*

*"It allows me the understand what to focus on at home to support school work"*

*"Structured fun maths games to play at home"*

We would like to signpost you to our calculation policies, which you can find on the school website: [https://www.stratfordprimary.co.uk/web/progression in maths/588375](https://www.stratfordprimary.co.uk/web/progression%20in%20maths/588375)

There are also some useful videos from White Rose, designed as parent guides, covering some of the key mathematical concepts taught in school.



### **Maths with Michael**

We've teamed up with TV presenter, teacher and parent Michael Underwood to bring you a mini-series called Maths with Michael.

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/maths-with-michael>

**We look forward to welcoming our Year 1 parents into school for their workshop on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. It is not too late to sign up – just let the office know.**



**Thank you to all the parents who attended the Phonics workshop this week!**



**Phase 2 sounds taught  
in Reception Autumn 1**



**Phase 2 sounds taught  
in Reception Autumn 2**



**Phase 3 sounds taught  
in Reception Spring 1**

## Supporting Your Child with Phonics and Reading

For those of you who could not make it to the recent phonics workshop, we have made these resources available for you to access. You'll also find helpful videos that demonstrate how these are taught in school, giving you the confidence to assist with their reading at home.

For a complete overview of the Reception and Year 1 teaching programme, including what your child will learn and when, please visit Little Wandle.

Parents' guide and videos to phonics:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

All the resources can be found on our reading page:

[https://www.stratfordprimary.co.uk/web/reading\\_and\\_phonics\\_/364163](https://www.stratfordprimary.co.uk/web/reading_and_phonics_/364163)



## YEAR 3

**Year 3 Creative Highlights**

In art, Year 3 explored clay techniques and learned how to roll coils in preparation for creating Bell Beaker pots, inspired by the Bronze Age.

In music, the children practiced Christmas carols on the ukuleles and developed their skills in reading, writing, and performing music notation.

It was a fantastic blend of creativity and learning!



# SPORTS- GIRLS FOOTBALL

## Year 3 and 4 Girls' Football Event

The Year 3 and 4 girls recently took part in an exciting football event aimed at giving them the opportunity to develop their skills and experience the joy of having a ball at their feet. We were so impressed with the number of girls eager to attend and their enthusiasm for participating in football beyond school. Their energy and passion were truly inspiring!





## SPORTS- DODGEBALL

**Year 5 Shine at the Dodgeball County School Games Event!**

Year 5 were representing South Warwickshire in the School Games Dodgeball County Event, and we are thrilled to announce that they secured an impressive second place out of the best 16 schools in the county! They earned points for respect, honesty and teamwork. Their behaviour, morals, and values were also commended, showcasing the exceptional character of Stratford's children. Well done, Year 5! We are extremely proud





## WARWICKSHIRE CHRISTMAS TREE FARM

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### School Donation Project

- 1) BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE AT WARWICKSHIRE CHRISTMAS TREE FARM
- 2) MENTION THE NAME OF YOUR SCHOOL WHEN PAYING FOR YOUR TREE
- 3) WE WILL DONATE 10% OF YOUR TREES' VALUE BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL

**IT'S THAT SIMPLE. HELP US HELP YOU THIS CHRISTMAS.**



**UPLOAD YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE PICS & TAG US  
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