

# Stratford-upon-Avon Primary 'News'



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**Reminders:** Half Term next week—18th to 22nd February, Woodwind starts Monday after Half Term, Spaces available for Netball club.

## Letters issued this week: none

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir 3.30-4.30pm Football Club 3.30-4.45pm	Science Club 3.30-4.30pm Rock Steady Music Academy	The World Around Me Club 3.30-4.30pm Drama Club 3.30-4.30pm Textiles Club 3.30-4.30pm	Rock Steady Music Academy Art Club KS1 3.30-4.30pm Art Club KS2 3.30-4.30pm Netball Club 3.30-4.30pm	

## News from the Headteacher

What lovely skies we have had this week. Isn't it great to see blue sky? It has certainly lifted everyone's spirits and of course lighter mornings and evenings make all the difference to how people feel. It was glorious at the paddock this week and the children certainly appreciated the brighter day.

I often talk about the fabulous things going on in the classrooms but wanted this week to talk about all the after school clubs we offer. The World About Us club treated me to a short musical performance using junk materials. It was extremely entertaining. Sam who goes to World About Us club says he loves it because every week is different and he has lots of ideas to try out things at home. It was the last week for Creative Writing Club and the children have all commented on how much they have loved it. We play writing and word games and explore different techniques. Some of the pieces of writing the children have produced have wowed Mrs Abernethy and me. It always looks lots of fun in drama as everyone acts out different emotions and roles. The children are always laughing and can't wait to go. Choir is a delight to listen to every Monday. Mr Moss and Joyce have developed great talent and I can't wait for their next performance at our Easter service. I visited Textiles club on Wednesday and they are incredibly talented. They are busy sewing hearts and use the sewing machines expertly. The girls love it and it would be great if some boys joined. Sewing is an important skill to have. Then of course we have our sporting clubs, football and multisports. These are always popular and keep everyone fit and healthy. We couldn't run our range of clubs without those who volunteer and without companies who offer different things. So thank you.

If you are a listener of Classic FM you would have heard last week that we got a Ta Daa on the breakfast programme. Tim Lihoreau gave us a bravo for our Outstanding Ofsted and our commitment to music and arts. He then played The Clog Dance from La Fille Ma Gardee in celebration. We have recorded it and hope to put it on the website at some point.

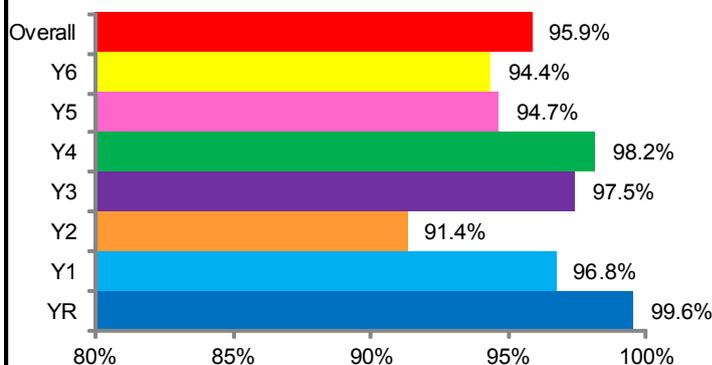
We welcomed The Directors of Community Academy Trust on Wednesday and they were all really pleased to visit our school. They were really impressed with our art gallery in The Room of Imagination and particularly noticed the wonderful textiles work and needle work design. We hope they enjoyed their morning in Stratford.

I hope you have a lovely half term and that the sun shines wherever you are. Spring Term 2 is full of different events; pancake day, World Book Day, Science Week, Shakespeare Week, The Literary Festival and much, much more. Keep up to date by checking our website and communication board.

Jièrì kuàilè (Happy Holidays)

Mrs Humphriss

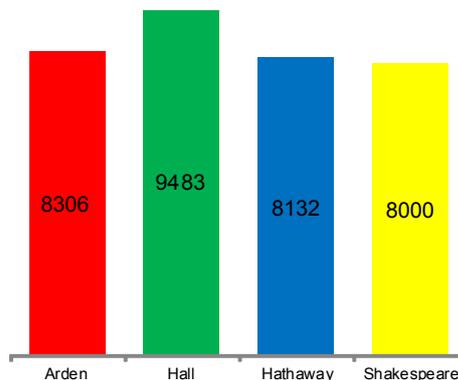
## Weekly Attendance by Class



This week's winners of a visit from Desmond the Dragon are Reception with 99.6%.

Well Done!

## House Points - Year to date



Congratulations **Hathaway** you are this week's House Cup winners



## This Weeks Certificates

- | Achievement Certificates | Respect Certificates      |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Reception - Naia W       | Arden - Demi-Leigh S Y1   |
| Year 1 - Gene W          | Hall - Audrey M YR        |
| Year 2 - Reuben F        | Hathaway - Isla B Y1      |
| Year 3 - Isabella P      | Shakespeare - Harris G YR |
| Year 4 - Madison S       |                           |
| Year 5 - Wren T          |                           |
| Year 6 - Phoebe V        |                           |

## Online Safety Competition Winning Designs



Thank you to those who spent time creating a mascot to keep people safe when using the internet or a comic strip to teach people about online safety. There were not a huge amount of entries which was disappointing for such an important subject but those who did enter again gave the judges a difficult job. After much deliberation and discussion the winner of KS2 is Maia C (Y3) whose comic strip of there's a monster to be beware of goes forward to the county competition. The KS1 winner is Finn M (Y1) who created Tim the Safety Pin who will pop up when you go online to tell you it is safe to do so. Special mention goes to Xander (Y2) whose Safe Bear was a close runner up. We would love to keep the bear Xander, to help out people in school if we may? All those who entered get 50 house points each and their entries displayed in school. Cross fingers for Maia and Finn as they go on to the next stage.



## Raising Awareness for Forest School



Last Saturday an enthusiastic group of pupils along with Mr Gardner, Mrs Ingate and members of FOSP descended on Tesco and told many of the shoppers all about our dedication to forest school.

'It was a very successful morning, the children were great ambassadors for the school. Many thanks to Hollie and her team for organising it.' - Mr Gardner.

## Letter from Schools Commissioner



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Mrs Gillian Humphris  
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28 January 2019

Dear Gillian

I would like to congratulate you on your most recent Ofsted report. You have demonstrated your ability to create and maintain educational excellence and shown your commitment towards delivering the best for the young people who attend your school.

If I can be of any assistance, or you would like to know more about the work going on in my office, please do get in touch or follow us on Twitter @RSCWestMids.

Thank you again for the work you are doing.

With very best wishes  
Andrew

Andrew Warren  
West Midlands Regional Schools Commissioner

## Penny War Campaign



**1, 2, 3, 4  
WE DECLARE  
PENNY WAR!**

**FROM MONDAY 11TH FEBRUARY  
UNTIL FRIDAY 1ST MARCH**

Check behind the sofa, pockets, bottom of your bags...  
Please bring in any spare change – coins, notes, to school!  
(All old notes and coins accepted)

Each year group will have a collection bottle in their classroom  
for two weeks to see who can reach the highest total.

The year which raises the most amount of money are the  
**WINNERS!**

**THE PRIZE**

The winning class will get extra play session in the paddock!

**RAISING FUNDS FOR COMPOST, TOPSOIL,  
FRUIT TREES AND PLANTS FOR THE  
PLAYGROUND TO HELP CREATE A GREEN,  
CALM ATMOSPHERE FOR THE CHILDREN**



A huge thank you to Bridgestone Tyres who are generously going to sponsor the next year of Road Safety at our school. We truly appreciate their help and look forward to another year of learning how to stay safe on the roads around us.

## Family Online Safety

'There are no set guidelines for how much screen time is appropriate for children, but there needs to be a balance. Don't be afraid to have rules, like 'no tablets at the dinner table'. For younger children, use tech to help; the Forest App lets you grow a beautiful forest the longer you leave the device alone. And lead by example—make time to be a gadget-free family.'

- Carolyn Bunting, CEO, Internet Matters, an independent, not for profit, e-safety organisation.