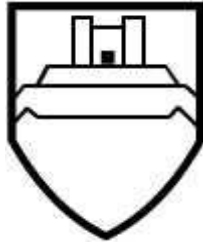


Stratford-sub-Castle CE VC  
Primary School  
Newsletter

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January  
2024



Life in all its fullness  
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### Spelling Lesson Showcase for Parents of children in Year 2

Miss Smith would like to invite parents of Year 2 to come and see a Spelling lesson in action! Our new scheme *ELS Essential Spelling* started in September; the children are fantastic in these sessions and we are seeing great progress. We'd like to give you the opportunity to come and see how these lessons run and what we achieve during these sessions. We are hoping this will help you to understand how we teach spelling and how you can support your children at home.

The showcase lesson will take place on **Wednesday 31st January**. The lesson **starts at 9.10**. When you arrive in the morning, you can wait on the playground and you will be shown into the hall ready for the lesson to start. The session will be approximately **30 minutes** long.

If you would like to attend, please email [ksmith@stratford-sub-castle.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:ksmith@stratford-sub-castle.wilts.sch.uk) by **09.00 on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January**. If this event proves to be popular, we will organise a showcase again!

### Spelling Workshop for Parents of Year 2 - 6

On **Wednesday 31st January** from **18:00 – 19:00** there will be a Spelling Workshop for parents taking place in the school hall.

This is an opportunity for **parents of Year 2 to 6** to learn how we teach spelling at Stratford. There will be guidance on how you can support your child to learn and practise their spellings at home, as well as an opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

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We hope that many of you are able to attend these events and look forward to seeing you.

Miss Smith (English Lead)



## Tesco blue tokens

Many months ago, I applied to Tesco for a grant to help us with outdoor learning. Now, you are now able to put the blue tokens, which you collect when shopping in Tesco, into our project box. If you or any family members shop in Tesco on Southampton Road, please collect your tokens and vote for us. Thank you!

## Safer Internet Day: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Safer Internet Day is celebrated around the world each year. The aim of Safer Internet Day is to **inspire a national conversation** about using technology safely, responsibly and positively.

This year in the UK, Safer Internet Day's theme is '**Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online**'.

Safer Internet Day will focus on change online, this includes covering, at an age appropriate level:

- Our children's perspective on new and emerging technology
- Using the internet to make change for the better
- The changes young people want to see online
- The things that can influence and change the way young people think, feel and act online and offline

In an ever changing world where technology and the internet is key, it is important that we all work together to support children with how to stay safe online. For more information please look at <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024>

## Online Safety Update for parents

### New devices

If your child has a new device, have you set up parental controls?



#### Consoles

All consoles offer parental controls such as limiting the time spent on the device or restricting who your child can communicate with. Find out the specific settings below:

- **PlayStation:** <https://www.playstation.com/en-gb/support/account/psn-safety-parents-guide/>
- **Xbox:** <https://www.xbox.com/en-GB/family-hub>
- **Nintendo Switch:**

<https://www.nintendo.co.uk/Hardware/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls-1183145.html>



#### Mobiles/Tablets

You can set up parental controls and restrictions on most mobile devices, which can limit what your child can access. Additionally, make sure appropriate settings are applied on the apps your child is using.

- Apple devices: <https://www.apple.com/uk/families/>
- Android devices: <https://families.google/familylink/>

#### Further information

Internet Matters provide a checklist here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/e-safety-checklist-getting-your-kids-tech-devices-set-up-safe>

### **Y6 SATS Parent Workshop**

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 18:00, Miss Crook and Mrs Wilson will hold a parent workshop about the Y6 SATS over Teams. An email to Year 6 parents will be sent out soon – keep an eye out!

### **Parking**

Thank you to all that have been parking sensibly this week and keeping our children safe. Please can I also remind you that you should not park in the bus stop. We do have a school bus that needs that space when it arrives. Also please do not do 3 point turns outside the school. You can use the Reading Rooms car park to turn around if you need to.

Best wishes

Justine Watkins