Stratford-sub-Castle CE VC Primary School Newsletter

Wednesday 1st May 2024



Life in all its fullness John 10:10

I cannot believe we are in week 3 already! It has been nice to have some sunshine and have the children playing on the field again. Thank you to all who completed the consultation regarding the length of the school day. I am now consulting with staff and will let you know what the change will be for September in due course.

Sun Safety

As the weather gets warmer, we like to encourage our pupils to look after their skin and to be safe in the sun. Please put sun cream on your child before coming to school in the morning and provide them with a sun hat and a bottle of water. Children may re-fill the water bottle during the day. If you wish your child to wear sunglasses, they may keep them in their bag or drawer.

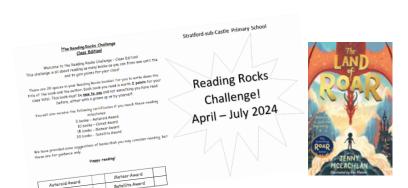
If children need to re-apply sun cream, then it may be sent into school in a sealed and named plastic bag. Name the tube, name the bag! THIS MUST BE HANDED TO A MEMBER OF STAFF IN EACH CLASS.

Staff will supervise pupils to apply this to themselves. If your child has a specific skin condition and requires help to apply cream, please see the school website for our *Intimate Care Policy*.

Reading Rocks Challenge – Summer Term

We have started a new Reading Rocks Challenge this term. Your child will have the new booklet in their Reading record. We are having a class competition but to make it more fair Miss Smith has devised a new points system. The children will earn points for each book they read; the older children will gain more points as their books are longer. We will monitor the class points scores in Friday's Smiley Face Celebrations.

Let's get reading!







Tag Rugby and Dodgeball sports festivals

In the last couple of weeks children from years 5 and 6 have represented the school at the Primary Schools Tag Rugby and Dodgeball festivals. As usual they have been great adverts for Team Stratford, giving it their all and showing great sportsmanship and perseverance. Well done to everyone who took part.









Katie will be hosting more sessions on:

Tuesday 7th May 2.15pm - 3pm

Wednesday 12th June 9.00am - 10am

Wednesday 26th June 2.15pm – 3pm



'Foxathon'

This week in assembly Fox Class presented Helena Sinclair from the Stars Appeal with a cheque for £1705! Helena said "We were all impressed with such a big total from a small group of children, thank you to them and all who sponsored them. This money will go a long way to continuing to support children and their families who visit or stay in Salisbury District Hospital's Sarum Ward."



BAGS2SCHOOL

Thank you for bringing all your bags on Monday. We collected 203kg of clothing which raised £81.20 for the school.

We are very proud of Henry in Woodpecker Class who, along with his dad, has challenged himself to run and cycle as many miles as he can between now, 1st May, and the start of the Paris Olympic Games (26th July). Henry is doing this to raise money for our school charity of the year – The Stars Appeal. We can't wait to find out how many miles he can do! Go Henry!!

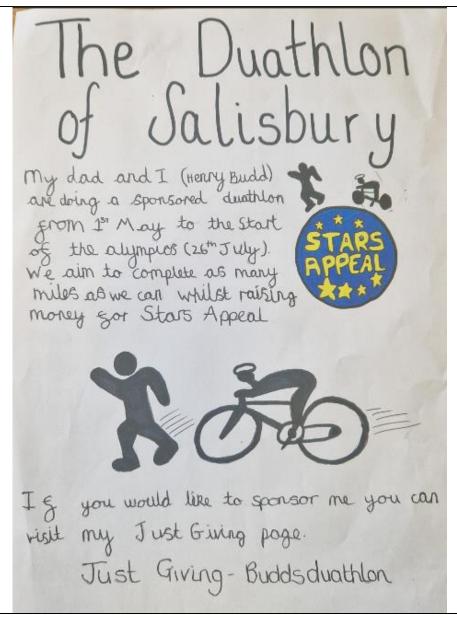
If you would like to sponsor Henry please see his Just Giving page - https://www.justgiving.com/page/buddsduathlon



Henry's Duathlon for Salisbury District Hospital Stars Appeal

Help Sophie Budd raise money to support Salisbury District Hospital Stars

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A small reminder - School Uniform

Now it is the summer term, please can I remind you of the schools' uniform policy.

Sandals for the summer are fine as long as they are practical and safe for when playing outside.

I am being asked a lot about whether school fleeces can be worn instead of school jumpers and cardigans. The fleeces are designed as outerwear, a coat, and therefore are not part of the everyday school uniform. Please make sure you child has a school/ or plain royal blue, jumper or cardigan.

On PE days children may wear a school PE hoodie or their school jumper or cardigan. Please can shorts and tracksuit bottoms be plain, not with logos. We do try and get outside for PE lessons as much as possible so an extra layer to keep warm and a coat are also advisable for when the children are outside.

We rely on you, as parents, to ensure that your child wears the school uniform. Most children really dislike being different and enjoy feeling part of the "Stratford Team"!

Uniform Requirements

The required school uniform is as follows:

School sweatshirt/cardigan or plain royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan White polo shirt or collared shirt

Grey or black trousers or shorts / grey or black pinafore dress or skirt Blue / white checked / striped dress or skirt (summer/ hot weather)

We encourage the wearing of grey, black or white socks, or dark tights and dark shoes.

Shoes/sandals and clothes must be practical and safe.

P.E. Uniform

Plain white t. shirt or school logo white t. shirt
Plain dark shorts
Plain dark track suit trousers/ leggings (in cold spells)
School P.E. hoodie or school jumper (in cold spells)

Plimsolls / trainers

Packed Lunches

Can I remind you all that we are a nut-free school and this also including products that contain nuts, including pesto. Please check the labelling of foods carefully as we do have several children who have a nut allergy.

And finally....

We seem to have an awful lot of lost property again in the Glasshouse. It is that time of year when jumpers, cardigans and hoodies get taken off at playtimes when the children get warm. Please make sure all uniform is labelled clearly. If you labelled it in September it has probably rubbed off by now so, please check. If your child has lost something come and have a rummage in the lost property basket!

Best wishes

Justine Watkins