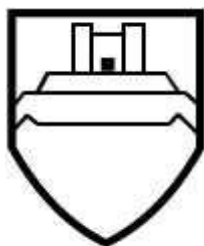


**Stratford-sub-Castle CE VC
Primary School
Newsletter**



**Life in all its fullness
John 10:10**

Tuesday 7th January 2025

Happy New Year! I do hope you had a lovely Christmas and were able to keep healthy throughout the break.

Thank you for your support for all the events and absences during December! The staff and I absolutely appreciate all the hard work carried out by parents, governors and volunteers for the school. We also greatly appreciate working with you, and having your support, to do the best for each individual pupil attending our school.

The Nativities, Christmas dinner, Church Carol Service and Talent Show reminded me of why I am so proud of our school. We all work together as a team to produce some truly beautiful things! The children were amazing, their enthusiasm and respect for others is also extremely evident and very pleasing. Trying your best and supporting others to do their best is a great life skill and makes the world a better place to live in.

Well done TEAM STRATFORD!

Staffing

I would like to welcome Mrs Cat Elliott to the Stratford Team, Mrs Elliott will be joining the team as a TA. Having reviewed the needs of all our pupils across the school we have made some small changes to staffing, please see below

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Butterfly	Mrs Jodie Waters (Mon – Thurs) Mrs Rachel Diserens (Fri)	Miss Jeanette Hardiman Mrs Alison Smith (am) Mrs Natalie Wells (Mon/Tues) Mrs Zoe Barlow (Wed/Thurs/Fri)
Owl	Miss Kat Smith (Tues – Fri) Mrs Emily Richards (Mon)	Mrs Tara Nicholson Mrs Cat Elliott
Robin	Miss Hannah Crook (Mon – Wed, Fri) Mrs Emily Richards (Thurs)	Mrs Nicky Watson Mrs Caroline Webb
Woodpecker	Mrs Jenny Rudman (Mon- Thurs) Mrs Emily Richards (Fri)	Mrs Jeanette Ford
Fox	Mrs Jane Wilson	Mrs Lucy Ray

Teaching assistants are based in the classes above but may work with other children from different classes for interventions and support at playtime/lunchtimes.

Unfortunately, Miss Smith has not recovered from her illness last term and will not be in school this week. Mrs Diserens will cover Owl Class tomorrow and Thursday and I will cover them on Friday. I will keep you updated as soon as I know more.

Y6 SATS Parent Workshop

On Wednesday 15th January at 18:00, Mrs Wilson will hold a parent workshop about the Y6 SATS over Teams. An email to Year 6 parents will be sent out soon with a link to the meeting – please keep an eye out!

SNOW PROCEDURES

The weather is forecast for the colder weather to continue this week, and although snow is not forecast for our area, our procedures is as follows.

We will send a text out, via parent mail, and put information on the school web site. We only send a message to say when we are closed... not to say we are open!

We endeavour to make a decision as early as possible, because we have so many staff members who have long distances to travel and you need to make arrangements too!

Please do bear in mind, that we will do our utmost to keep the school open during the winter but a school without teachers is not much good and we also need to be able to feed most of the school! The other major factor is that we do not have a caretaker, so the snow clearing has to be completed by myself and willing volunteers. This also relies on me being able to get to school!



Parents consultation meeting with Brunel Academy Trust

A meeting will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 21st January at 6.00pm. This meeting will be attended by Jackie Fieldwick, CEO of BAT and some of her team. We would encourage you to attend if you have any questions, or simply want to learn more.

If you have any questions and are unable to attend the meeting please e-mail head@stratford-sub-castle.wilts.sch.uk and Mrs Watkins will be happy to assist you.

If you would like to attend please can you email Mrs Munt, admin@stratford-sub-castle.wilts.sch.uk with Meeting with BAT in the subject bar. This will allow us to know how many people are going to attend for chairs.

Kindest regards

Justine Watkins