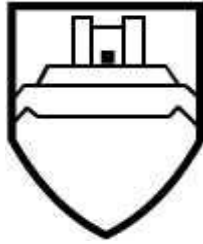


Stratford-sub-Castle CE VC  
Primary School  
Newsletter

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025



Life in all its  
fullness  
John 10:10

Our theme for assembly this term is

### Justice

*Learn to do right. Seek justice.*

*Isaiah 1.17*



### Down Syndrome Day - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March

#### Lots of socks



Thank you for all your donations for our lots of socks day. We are going to take the donations to the John McNeil Opportunity Centre, in Salisbury, who support many children who have Down Syndrome.

We have had lots of discussion today about our different socks and how everyone is different but together we all make team Stratford!

Congratulations to Frankie (Fox Class), Oliver (Woodpecker Class), Scarlett (Robin Class), Nancy (Owl Class) and Helena (Butterfly Class) who won their class sock competition!!

### World Book Day



I can't believe World Book Day was 2 weeks ago, these pictures sum up the fun we had that day!

## Mastering Number and Times Tables Showcase session **Woodpecker Class and Robin Class**

Mrs Rudman will be leading a showcase lesson for parents of **Woodpecker Class** children on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March @ 08:55**.

Miss Crook will be leading a showcase lesson for parents of **Robin Class** children on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March @ 08:55**.

You are invited to come along and watch the lesson so you can see how we teach number bonds and times tables. This will help you be able to support your child at home with maths.

If you would like to come along, please email [admin@stratford-sub-castle.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stratford-sub-castle.wilts.sch.uk) with either Woodpecker Class Maths Showcase or Robin Class Maths Showcase in the subject box.

## Bags2School Collection – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

We will be having another collection for Bags2School on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March. It is the perfect time for some spring cleaning! So if you are having a sort out please save your items and **bring them to school in a black bag on the morning of Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March** and put in the gated area at the front of school. The bags are being picked up that day and this will help us to do the minimum of carrying and moving! For each kilo of items collected we will receive a cash amount towards FOSS fund. Thank you!

### **Bags2School...**

We accept the following 'good quality' items for RE-USE\*:

- Men's, ladies' and children's clothing ✓
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties
- Jewellery, lingerie, socks, belts
- Household linen, curtains and towels
- Soft toys

### **Bags2School...**

We DO NOT accept:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

### School Disco: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March

## **TICKETS GO ON SALE IN THE MORNINGS BEFORE SCHOOL** **NEXT WEEK**

**Please note this event is for children from our school only.**

(Pre-school siblings are very welcome if parents stay as well!)

Parents are very welcome to stay at the EYFS/ KS1 Disco and we always need help for the second session if you can stay for that. KS1 children must not stay for the KS2 disco, without the permission of myself (and only in very special circumstances).

Please buy your tickets before Friday so we can plan for the event. Tickets will be on sale on the school gate week beginning Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

**Reception, Y1 and Y2 Disco 6:00pm – 7:00pm (Enter by side door to hall from big playground and exit via the front door onto the small playground.)**

**Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Disco 7:00pm – 8:00pm (Enter by side door to hall from big playground and exit by the same door.)**

ALL TICKETS ARE £1 and include a drink in the price. Cakes and drinks are also on sale during the evening.

**ANY DONATIONS OF CAKES GRATEFULLY RECEIVED**, please bring to the school office on the day of the disco. Prices for cakes range from 10p-20p at the disco.

### **Breakfast Church Logo**

St Lawrence has an amazing service that meets once a month on a 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of a month. This service currently takes place in the Reading Room but is looking to move into the school hall. In the service children and adults have breakfast together, read a bible story and do a creative activity linked to the story. It usually lasts about an hour from 10:00. Anyone is welcome to come along.

The service has recently changed it's name to Breakfast Church and Reverend Suzie is running a competition to design a new logo. The logo needs to have the name of the church, St Lawrence, on it somewhere and the service, Breakfast Church along with a picture.

If you would like to enter, please submit your design on an A4 piece of paper to Mrs Munt in the school office by Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March. If you need paper for the design, please ask Mrs Watkins.

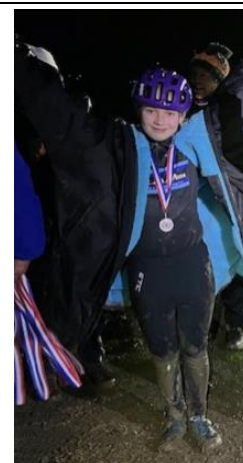
The winner will win a prize and will be announced before the Easter break.

### **Achievements**

A big well done to Immy (Woodpecker Class) and Esther (Owl Class) who both achieved 1<sup>st</sup> place, with their cheer leading squads, at the South West Cheer Championship in Torquay on Saturday. Well done to Charlotte (Woodpecker Class) who also took part in the competition with her squad.



Also congratulations to Anna (Fox Class) who earlier in the year, finished first place overall in the Wessex Cyclocross League. Anna has been offered the opportunity to attend a cyclocross training camp in Belgium during the summer, which is a great opportunity.




We celebrate achievements from outside school in our Friday Smiley Face Celebrations. If your child has achieved anything out of school and would like to share it with us please get them to bring in any certificates, badges, medals etc on a Friday. We can then share in our assembly. We also welcome photos and messages which we can add to the newsletters!

Daniel (Fox Class) would like us to support his older brother and family with raising money for Youth Action Wiltshire. Lewis, who used to attend Stratford, is taking part in a 25km walk in London this summer. If you would like to donate to this charity, that supports families in Wiltshire, including Daniel's, please follow the link below.

**Lewis and Leah's London Summer Walk 25KM in aid of Youth Action Wiltshire**

I have decided to take on the London Summer Walk 25km in Aug with my cousin Leah in aid of Youth Action Wiltshire. Please follow the link below to donate. Help us raise as much as we can for a charity that is supporting my family. Thanks





Please see the posters below for upcoming training courses for parents.

Date	Day	Course	Time	Closing Date	Venue
25/04/2025	Friday	Helping my child with Anxiety and Worry	10:00-12:00	18/04/2025	Online
29/04/2025	Tuesday	Helping my child to learn Phonics	10:00-12:00	22/04/2025	Online
01/05/2025	Thursday	Understanding School Anxiety	10:00-12:00	24/04/2025	Online
02/05/2025	Friday	Helping my child Build Concentration and Resilience	10:00-12:00	25/04/2025	Online
09/05/2025	Friday	Helping My child to Prepare Positively for Change	10:00-12:00	02/05/2025	Online
12/05/2025	Monday	Starting Secondary	10:00-12:00	05/05/2025	Online
11/06/2025	Wednesday	Understanding School Anxiety	12:45-14:45	04/06/2025	Online

Kindest regards

Justine Watkins

<b>TERM 4</b>	
<b>ALL BACK TO SCHOOL</b>	<b>Monday 24.02.25</b>
<b>No clubs except Early Birds and Night Owls</b>	<b>w/b Monday 24.02.25</b>
<b>Open Door afternoon. Come and look round the school and see displays, books and classrooms!</b>	<b>Tuesday 25.02.25</b> <b>Thursday 27.02.25</b>
<b>Clubs commence</b>	<b>w/b Monday 03.03.25</b>
<b>National Offer Day: SECONDARY</b>	<b>Monday 03.03.25</b>
<b>Parents' Evenings (Online)</b>	<b>Wednesday 05.03.25</b> <b>Thursday 06.03.25</b>
<b>No Clubs except Early Birds and Night Owls</b>	<b>w/b Monday 31.03.25</b>
<b>School Easter Service in St. Lawrence Church: Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.</b>	<b>Friday 04.04.25</b> <b>@14.15</b>
<b>No Night Owls on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025</b>	

<b>2024 -2025</b>	
<b>TERM 5</b>	
<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>National Offer Day: PRIMARY</b>	<b>Wednesday 16.04.25</b>
<b>ALL BACK TO SCHOOL</b>	<b>Tuesday 22.04.25</b>
<b>No clubs except Early Birds and Night Owls.</b>	<b>w/b Tuesday 22.04.25</b>
<b>Clubs commence</b>	<b>w/b Monday 28.04.25</b>
<b>Key Stage 2 SATs Week/Assessment Week.</b>	<b>w/b Monday 12.05.25</b>
<b>No clubs except Early Birds and Night Owls.</b>	<b>w/b 19.05.25</b>
<b>Class Photographs</b>	<b>Wednesday 21.05.25</b>
<b>ALL BREAK for HOLIDAY</b>	<b>Friday 23.05.25</b>
<b>TERM 6</b>	
<b>Teacher Development Day 5</b>	<b>Monday 02.06.25</b>
<b>ALL BACK TO SCHOOL</b>	<b>Tuesday 03.06.25</b>
<b>No clubs except Early Birds and Night Owls</b>	<b>w/b Tuesday 03.06.25</b>
<b>Clubs commence</b>	<b>w/b Monday 09.06.25</b>
<b>Meeting for Parents of new intake September 2025</b>	<b>Wednesday 18.06.25</b>
<b>Induction Session 1: Year R September 2025</b>	<b>Wednesday 25.06.25</b>
<b>June Fayre</b>	<b>Friday 27.06.25</b>
<b>Induction Session 2: Year R September 2025</b>	<b>Wednesday 02.07.25</b>
<b>Induction Session 3: Year R September 2025</b>	<b>Wednesday 09.07.25</b>
<b>Sports day</b>	<b>Thursday 03.07.25</b>
<b>Reserve Sports Day</b>	<b>Thursday 10.07.25</b>
<b>No Clubs except Early Birds and Night Owls</b>	<b>w/b Monday 14/07/25</b>
<b>Family Open Evening – all welcome</b>	<b>Thursday 17.07.25</b>
<b>Leavers' Service in St Lawrence Church</b>	<b>Thursday 24.07.25</b> <b>@ 13.30</b>
<b>No Night Owls on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025</b>	



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## Family and Community Learning



Booking closes  
Friday 18 April  
2025

### Helping My Child with Anxiety and Worry Online

Friday 25 April 10:00-12:00

- Ideal for parents/carers with children up to Year 7
- Understand how to support emotional wellbeing at home
- Suggestions shared to manage anxiety together
- Positive and realistic help for the family

Contact [familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk) or call the FaCL team on 01225 770478  
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Online Course

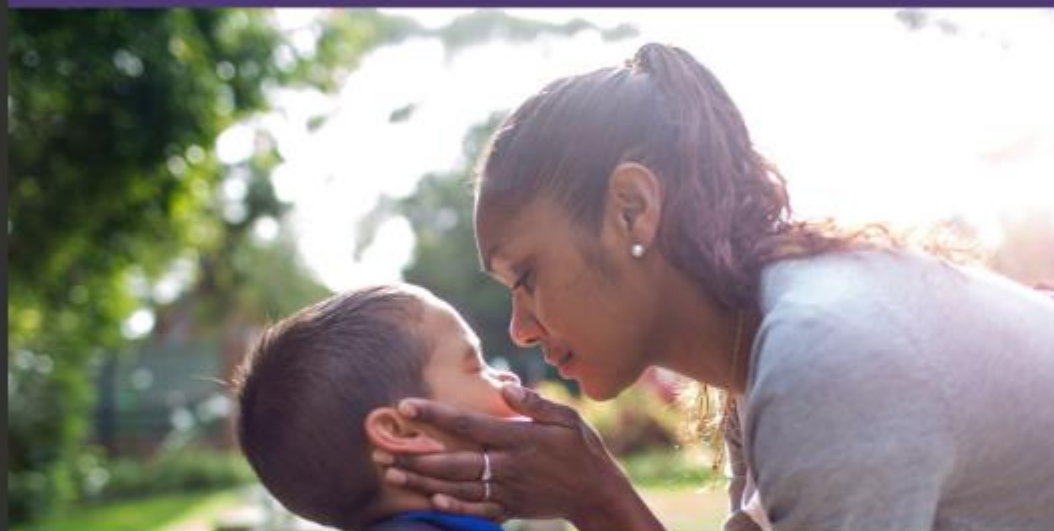
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# Understanding School Anxiety

## Early Signs of Emotionally Based School Avoidance

Wednesday 11 June 12:45 - 2:45pm

Booking closes Wednesday 4 June 2025



- What is Emotionally Based School Avoidance?
- Strategies to support with anxiety and worry
- Strategies to support attendance
- Advice on reasonable adjustments that schools can make
- Group discussion with education psychologist

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**Please see our website or contact us for more information**



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Booking closes  
Friday 25 April

### Helping My Child Build Concentration and Resilience

- Explore how the environment affects concentration
- Discover how words can help develop resilience
- Develop ways to support concentration and resilience

**Online**

**Friday 2 May 10:00-12:00**

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Friday 2 May

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### Helping My Child to Prepare Positively for Change

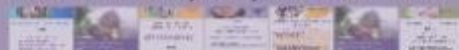
- Explore the reasons why children may find change difficult
- Discover ways to support your children at home in developing their ability to cope with change.
- Develop an understanding of how simple steps at home can help children prepare for change.

Friday 9 May 10:00-12:00



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## STARTING SECONDARY



Online Course

Support your child starting secondary school  
2x2hr course

Booking closes Monday 5 May 2025

### Session 1: Monday 12 May 10:00-12:00

- Why can changes be tricky?
- Exploring emotional intelligence and resilience
- Developing strategies to support your child starting secondary

### Session 2: Monday 19 May 10:00-12:00

- What's the difference between primary and secondary school?
- Understanding your role in the move to secondary
- Managing online safety and recognising stress



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