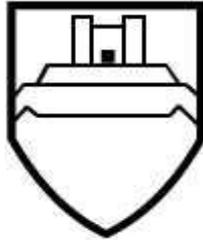


Stratford-sub-Castle CE VC
Primary School
Newsletter

Thursday 3rd April 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



I can't believe how quickly this term has gone. It has included trips, sports festivals, World book Day, a disco and wearing our coloured socks! All alongside the fantastic learning our children do every day. It is lovely to finish the term with sunshine and I hope this continues for our Easter break. I hope you are able to enjoy some family time together.

Smiley Face Celebrations starts at 09:00 tomorrow, doors will be open from 08:40. School finishes at 3:20pm. Please note there is no Night Owls on this day.

Thank you for your help and donations!

A big thank you to all who helped make the disco a success last Friday, that includes selling tickets, making cakes and helping on the night. It was a great success and lovely to see all the children so happy, dancing and singing! Thank you to Conor, from Astrella for being our DJ. We look forward to another disco in the summer term.

Thank you to those who brought in bags of clothes for our Bag2School collection. We raised £60 for the school.

Also thank you to those who donated on World Down Syndrome Day, £155 for the local John McNeill Opportunity Centre, who support children and families with disabilities, including Down Syndrome, in the local area.

Fox Class Three-legged-athon!

On Thursday 6th March Fox Class completed laps of the school track in a Three-legged race to raise money for the RSPCA. This was part of their PSHE learning about charities. They showed great determination, resilience and perseverance which resulted in raising a very impressive £995.00. Well done Fox Class.



Garden

We are trying to develop and improve the garden at the back of the school so the children can use a quiet space. It needs a bit of TLC. Melanie Robertson, one of our parents, has been in and cleared a raised bed but we now need some seeds or plants to put in it. I would love it to be a sensory area so anything that have flowers, smells nice or has textured leaves would be great. If you are able to donate some seeds or plants/cuttings please talk to me at the gate.

Also if there is anyone who is also green fingered and has some time, any help on developing this area would be gratefully received.

EASTER SERVICE: Friday 4th April at 2:15pm

Woodpecker Class, Fox Class and Robin Class will be going to St Lawrence Church on Friday 4th April to celebrate Easter. The service will be led by Robin Class. Parents of the children in these three classes are very welcome to join us if you wish.

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

Kindest regards

Justine Watkins

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

Be tick aware

- 1 Use an insect repellent that prevents ticks**
- 2 Wear long sleeves and long trousers to prevent direct skin exposure**
- 3 Keep to clearly defined paths and avoid brushing against vegetation**
- 4 Check for ticks on young children, around their heads and necks**
- 5 When you're back indoors, check for any ticks on you, your children and pets**
- 6 If you find a tick, remove it as soon as possible with a removal device**

FACE **Easter Timetable**
 all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long
 book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Facing Defiance	7 April 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	8 April 10am
Understanding Anger	8 April 7PM
Anxiety Explained	14 APR 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	14 APR 7pm
What is ACT	15 April 10am
Introduction to OCD	15 April 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	22 April 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	22 April 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	24 April 7pm
Improving Family Communication	28 April 10am
Autism Improving Communication	28 April 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	29 April 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	29 April 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	6 May 7pm



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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

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Visit <https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/> or scan the QR code



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Online Course

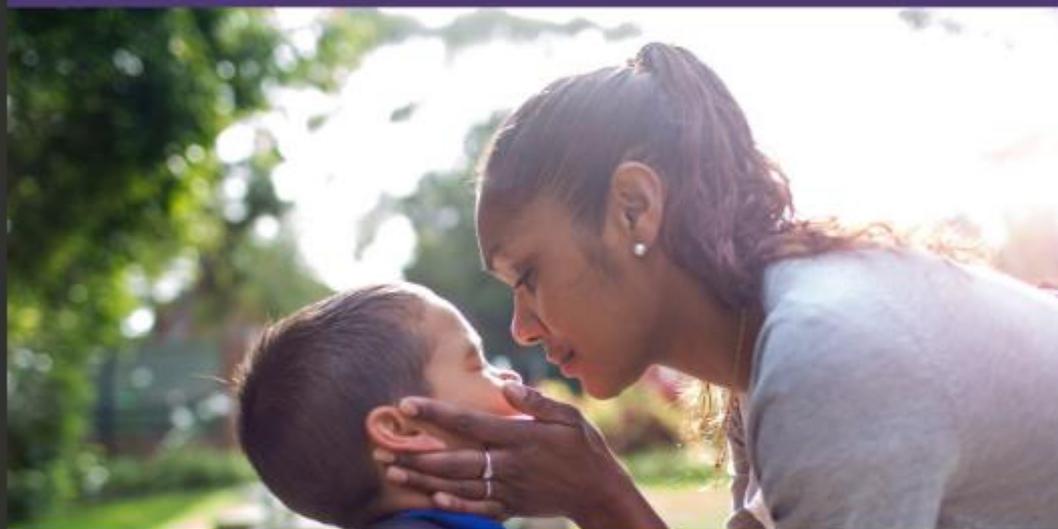
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Understanding School Anxiety

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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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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Booking closes
Friday 2 May

Online

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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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Family and Community Learning

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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