



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

2025-26
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W/C 11 May 2026

- Mon 18 May Year 2 African Drumming Session
- Tues 19 May Sports Day at Streetsbrook (Reception AM, KS1 PM)
- Fri 22 May Nursery Circus Workshop

Diary Dates

The Whole School Attendance for week commencing 11 May was 98.3%

Headlice!

We have been made aware of a case of headlice in Reception. Please could we ask you to check your child's hair regularly and treat any headlice as necessary. For more information and guidance please have a look at the NHS website

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Parent Information on SEND reform plan

[Please click on this link](#) to find a joint statement from Solihull MBC and Solihull Parent Carer Voice regarding the government's SEND Reforms.

Marathon Sponsor Money

A reminder that all marathon sponsor money should be paid on to **ParentPay** by Friday 15 May please (no cash).



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Nursery	98.4
Reception	99.1
Year 1	97.3
Year 2	98.3
Overall Attendance	98.3%

Sports Day

We are looking forward to welcoming parents to Our Sports Day on Tuesday 19th May. Please be reminded of times below:

Reception 9.15-10.30am

KS1 1.15-3.00pm



Scooter Training Day update

Sadly transport trouble stopped Team Rubicon from running our Scooter Training sessions on Monday.

This event has been rescheduled for Tuesday 9 June

School Council Charity Day

We are delighted to announce that Mad May Hair Day raised an amazing £222.50.

On Tuesday our School Council met to draw up a shortlist of charities they would like to donate to.

Eight ideas were selected - the full list of ideas is included in the minutes of the meeting which can be found on our website.

School Council then asked each class to vote for the charity they wished to support.

The charity with most class votes was selected.

This year School Council will be donating to www.bliss.org.uk/ who support babies born premature or sick and their families.

A huge thank you to everyone who participated, there were some wonderfully creative hair styles on show and well done School Council you did a great job.

Bliss
for babies born
premature or sick

Extra Curricular Clubs

A reminder that we have a number of extra curricular clubs after school on Monday-Thursday, such as tennis club, football club, gym and dance classes. Please click [here](#) for further information on the session times, costs and how to book. Please contact the provider direct to do this.

30 Days Wild!



30 Days Wild Challenge

June is the month of the Wildlife Trust's 30-Days Wild Challenge, which is the UK's biggest nature challenge. Throughout June they are challenging us to go as wild as possible. Whether that's an activity a day or setting a weekly goal throughout June, 30 Days Wild is here to help you connect with nature, support wildlife and enjoy the great outdoors. Each week sees a different focus:
Week 1 - Helping wildlife where I live
Week 2 - Discover wildlife with my senses
Week 3 - Learn about wildlife
Week 4 - Get creative with nature and celebrate

I'd love to know what you do for the challenge outside of school!

Mrs Harlow (Leader for Science and the Eco Team)

This week has been the last week to practise and get ready for our Circus Workshop next week on Friday 22nd May. We are really looking forward to inviting you into school to take part – please remember that there is **only space for one adult per child**.

The children have taken part in a range of activities this week, including continuing to practise our circus skills which the children are very good at now! We have also done some 'free painting' this week and it has been great to see all of the wonderful paintings the children have created – what a group of artists we have in Nursery! The children are very confident exploring the Nursery environment and the staff have observed some kind and thoughtful interactions this week.

In phonics this week, we have been continuing to sing the rhyme 'Pat-a-cake' and have been listening to and making the sound /z/. This might be a tricky one, but can your child find anything at home beginning with the sound /z/?

Next week, the main event will be our Circus Workshop, but we will also be having lots of fun preparing, in the lead up to this.

Please note – although we are starting to see some brighter weather, it is still being quite unpredictable, so please send your child to school with a coat, thank you!



Year 2 We started our week with a very special visitor,



Emily Hibbs. Emily has written lots of different books, however, she was focusing on her newest book 'Stories From The Wild' which links fantastically with our cross-curricular learning for this half term. She read us a story from her book based in the African savanna, we were then able to create some short descriptive writing based on different habitats. Emily gave us time to engage

in a Q&A and we had lots of interesting questions about different animals. Extending our learning about animals this week has allowed us to choose an animal, independently research as much as we could about it and create our own non-chronological reports. This has allowed us to use lots of the elements of our instruction writing from last week and bring in some new skills too. Maths has been tricky this week, we have been revisiting subtraction with the challenge of exchanging - a very hard skill! We have worked hard to link our knowledge around exchanging in addition and apply it in this new context. We have continued to explore Chrome Music Lab and this week we have been learning about new and interesting ways to make different types of digital music. We can't quite believe next week is the final week of Summer 1, how are we here already?



Year 1

we have used verbs to write a set of instructions for our very own Gruffalo crumble. The children thoroughly enjoyed using their imagination to create their own recipes. In Maths, we moved our

learning on from halves to quarters. We then made jam sandwiches and cut them into four equal parts, yummy! In PE, we have been practising our skills for Sports Day. In Science, we have been talking descriptively about animals, including how to classify and sort them. In Art, we have used a variety of materials to make our own sculptures and taken on the challenge of making them balance and stand independently.

Next week is our final week before we break up for half term. On Tuesday 19th, we are holding our Sports Day after lunch, and we hope to see lots of you come along to support us. We also have a live reading event on Wednesday morning, which we are all really looking forward to. In Maths next week, we are learning about directional language such as whole turn, half turn, quarter turn and three-quarter turn. In Geography, we are understanding that a plan is a two-dimensional diagram and learning how to use a map key.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

The Year 1 Team



Reception In Reception this week, we have been practising for Sports Day. The children have really impressed us with following the instructions and taking part in all of the events we have planned. It has been great to hear the children being supportive of their friends and cheering them on! We can't wait for you to join us on our Sports Day next Tuesday! We have been reading the story Jack and the Beanstalk this week. The children have been completing activities relating to this such as retelling the story in the small world area, writing wanted posters and measuring beanstalks. We have particularly loved the children's beanstalk pictures! The children have been doing lots of work with their writing this week. They have been writing their weekend news at the beginning of the week and have also been writing sentences about what they saw at the allotments visit last week. We have been working hard to include our new tricky word 'there' with the sentence starter 'There was a...'.

Next week, we have our Sports Day on Tuesday morning. We hope you are as excited as we are. We are also continuing our Once Upon a Time topic with the story focus of Rosie's Walk.

Streetsbrook Childcare We have been reading the book 'The Colour Monster' this week. We discovered some little monsters whose colour represents their emotion. In group discussion we have been thinking about our emotions and what colour monster best suits how we feel and how the colours change in different situations. We painted a set of 3D colour monster models to accompany the book and use around the room to help us to describe to each other how we are feeling. We have also been playing some monster games. We used different shapes to create a monster of our own and we also created a game where we put a different monster onto each side of a dice which we rolled then had to describe and show the emotion it lands on, of course the angry stomping feet monster was our favourite to show! To help with our mindfulness we have been spending lots of time in the new planting area, we have, with some kind help from parents , created a growing space where we can grow food, herbs and flowers, this is a space to care for plants and nature and take time to relax and slow our pace. We have also created some bug habitats and since our minibeast topic are really enjoying rescuing and investigating our creepy crawly friends.

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1



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3

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2



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4



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