



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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| - Friday 24 October | INSET Day (Childcare open for Holiday Club only) |
| - Monday 3 November | School & Childcare re-open |
| - Wednesday 5 November | PTA Meeting 2.15pm |
| - Wednesday 5 November | Rags2Riches collection (please use own bags) |
| - Friday 13 & Monday 15 Nov | Book Fair |

The Whole School Attendance for week commencing 20 October was 93.9%



Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

As in previous years we will be supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Traditional paper poppies will be on sale in school from Monday 3 November. Our suggested minimum donation for these is 50p. Please send money in a clearly marked envelope.

We also have a limited number of other poppy themed items for sale all priced at £2.00 each which will be for sale to children in Year 2 in the first instance.



eBooks

If you are having trouble logging in to your child's eBooks, please email the office and we will send you an updated user name and password.
Many thanks

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TEAS IN AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

If you wish to cancel your child's tea in afterschool club, please notify us by 2.30pm on the day, otherwise you will still be charged for it. Please also ensure that your meals balance is kept in credit **at all times**. Thank you.

Solihull Parents' Network October Half Term Activities 2025

You can view details of family activities and events that will keep your family entertained throughout the October half term school holidays in our Parents Network Autumn 2025 newsletter.

[Click here](#)



Curriculum Overviews for Parents

Autumn Term 2 Curriculum Overviews are available to view on our website [here](#)



Class Timetables

Class timetables are available to view on our website, class pages; [click here](#). Thank you

Highflyers Gymnastics & Dance

Our gym and dance after school club have spaces available after the half term. Please see page 4 of the newsletter for details.



Nursery

I cannot quite believe that we are already at the end of our first half term. We are so super proud of how the children have settled into Nursery life and we are looking forward to our next half term of fun! This week in Nursery, we have been learning the rhyme '1,2,3,4,5 Once I Caught a Fish Alive' and taking part in activities linked to this. The children enjoyed playing with our under the water small world figures and were very creative making their own under the sea paintings. This has been one of many nursery rhymes we have been singing this half term and I would like to point out to you where you can access these rhymes at home.



Please visit [Letters and Sounds | A complete Phonics resource to support children \(littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk\)](https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk) where there is a section 'For Parents' and here you will find a tab for the nursery rhyme videos. So far this half term, we have learnt 1,2,3,4,5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive, Baa Baa Black Sheep, Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star and Humpty Dumpty. We ask you kindly to not show any of the un-taught rhymes to your children before we have shared these in Nursery.

During the week, we also thought about Diwali, the Festival of Light. The children enjoyed making their own Diwali cards, exploring Diwali artefacts, making patterns in our coloured rice and playing with the playdough with extra sparkles added in!

When we start back after half term, our topic will be 'Fireworks' where we will be thinking about Bonfire Night and taking part in lots of activities linked to this.

Please remember, if you would like your child to have milk at snack time during the morning, you can sign up to 'Cool Milk' via the school website – we have a few children who are requesting milk at snack time, so please do consider if this is something your child would like – it is free, but you must register!

Thank you to all the parents who came to parents evening, it was lovely to see so many of you 😊

Please can I ask that we remind your children to NOT play in our mud kitchen before school. Thank you!

Finally, the Nursery team would like to wish all your families a happy half term and we look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Monday 3rd November.

Year 2

What a lovely last week of Autumn 1 we have had, although we can't quite believe we are here already! In Maths this week we have been learning all about measuring, we have been able to measure a variety of objects using a variety of units of measurement. We have also been learning how to compare measurements and draw lines of a given length. In Science, we have been making observations of our germs investigation - some of the bread is very mouldy now and we have been able to discuss the benefits of using soap and water when we wash our hands. Additionally, in Music we have been extending our call and response knowledge by going on safari and listening to a variety of sounds. Throughout this half term, we have been learning about Florence Nightingale and this week we were able to compare her to another important historical figure, Mary Seacole. We have worked so hard this week, and we are all very proud of our achievements. We hope you all have a great break and thank you for attending this week's Parent Appointments.

Year 1

We've had a lovely final week of the half term in Year 1! In Maths, we have been using number lines to help us add and subtract. We've been making sure to jump *off* the number we are counting from – a great skill we've been practising with enthusiasm. In English, we've been working hard to extend our writing by using adjectives and conjunctions. The children have enjoyed making their sentences more interesting and descriptive. In Science, we explored our 'Nest' area, searching for signs of Autumn. The children were fascinated by the seasonal changes and enjoyed discussing what they found. In Computing, we've been learning to log in and out of Seesaw independently, and practising typing short sentences on our devices – great progress all round! Thank you all for taking the time to arrange and attend your parent consultation.

After the half term break, we'll be starting our exciting new topic: *Let's Celebrate!* In English, we will be writing about recent celebrations such as Bonfire Night, using lots of descriptive words to make our writing even more engaging. In Maths, we will be developing our understanding of teen numbers, using practical activities and number lines to support our learning. In History, we'll be learning about the story of Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot. We'll explore the meaning behind Bonfire Night and why we remember this event today. On Friday, we will have our WOW Starter Day. We'll be looking at firework displays, creating our own firework artwork, and learning about Remembrance Day. We wish you all a very happy and safe half term break. Thank you for your continued support!

Reception

The Reception children have had a wonderful final week of this half term! On Monday, we were learning all about Diwali and how it is a celebration of the Festival of Light. The children enjoyed learning about menhdi and diva lamps. It has been wonderful to hear about all of the celebrations some of you have been having at home. The children loved sharing their photographs with the rest of the class.

In PE we went out on to the playground and learnt how to play the games using the markings on the playground. The children absolutely loved running laps around the track, trying to keep up with each other. When the children found out that we have to 17 laps to do a mile, we decided that when we got to 3 laps it was enough!!

In Phonics, we have been learning the digraphs (2 letters, 1 sound) ss, ll and ff that are found at the end of a word like 'mess', 'hill' and 'huff'. We have also learnt the j sound. At home see if your child can blend words using this weeks sounds. This week we have learnt the new tricky word 'as'.

In Maths, we have been comparing groups of 3 and learning when we have an equal number of objects. The children loved thinking about well known fairy tales such as Goldilocks and the 3 Bears and making sure that each character had one each of something so that it was shared out equally. We wish you all a lovely, well deserved break and we look forward to seeing you all after half term.

Streetsbrook Childcare

We have had a fantastic week in Childcare celebrating Diwali. We have enjoyed reading stories and learning about the Festival of Light alongside our friends. We made diva lamps by moulding clay into tiny bowl shapes, when they had dried we decorated them with bright colours and glitter and added a candle. We used coloured rice and sand to mix and make patterns with Rangoli stencils and enjoyed using these designs as inspiration in the play dough. We wore Bindi's and decorated our hands with mendhi patterns then joined in with a bhangra dancing session as well as enjoying some traditional treats at snack time. We hope you have a lovely half term and will see you soon when we will begin the new term by reading 'Room on the Broom'.

Collection Day!



Wednesday 5.11.25
(bags can be dropped
off on 4.11.25)

What can I recycle?

STOP
and think would you wear it?

- POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHING.

- UNIFORM

- SOCKS

- PILLOWS

- DUVETS

- CURTAINS

- BOOKS OR CD'S



- CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY REUSABLE CLOTHING

- ADULTS, CHILDREN'S & BABIES CLOTHING

- PAIRED SHOES AND FOOTWEAR

- JEWELLERY AND ACCESSORIES

- BELTS AND HANDBAGS



Streetsbrook Infant School KS1 After School Gymnastics/Dance Clubs

ABOUT OUR CLUB

High Flyers Academy (HFA) has been teaching dance and gymnastics to local children for many years. Our DBS-checked teachers are passionate about helping every child shine through creativity, confidence, and movement. Children will learn fun modern and street dance routines in a safe, supportive environment.

PARENT HELPERS NEEDED

We're looking for parent helpers to assist with changing and toilet runs.

- You'll need a DBS certificate (we can help arrange one).
- Must meet school volunteer requirements.
- In return, you'll receive a FREE child place at the club!

Interested? Email us at admin@highflyersacademy.co.uk

USEFUL INFORMATION

- Clubs run during term time only (we'll notify you of any INSET or event days when classes don't run).
- Teachers will be in the hall to greet and assist children.
- Pick-up time: 4:15pm **from the main entrance.**

What to bring:

-  T-shirt & shorts/leggings
-  Water bottle
-  Healthy snack (optional)

FEES & BOOKING

- Bookings and payments are online only — the school office cannot take bookings.
- Please re-register each term (no reminders sent).
- First week FREE for new bookings!
- Childcare/tax scheme payments accepted.

*******FIRST SESSION FREE ~ NEW BOOKINGS*******

Year Groups	Club	Dates	Fees
R 1 2 Not open To Nursery	Gymnastics Club Monday 3.15-4.15pm	3/11/2025 – 15/12/2025	£66.50
R 1 2 Not open to Nursery	Dance Club Thursday 3.15-4.15pm	6/11/2025 – 18/12/2025	£66.50

All spaces are shown online — no need to call.

BOOK NOW

 <https://HFAschoolclubs.classforkids.io>

 Tel/Text: 07737 209 142

 Email: admin@highflyersacademy.co.uk



Neurodiverse & Non-Visible Disability Football Sessions



How about...

Football sessions, all about fun?

No pressure or trials, just lots of football?

Joining a group of players already enjoying football, where the only rule is,

“Just Be You!”

Then join a session at Knowle Football Club, we would love you to be part of our team!

—Take a picture and give it to whoever looks after you! —



**Parents
& Carers**

When: Every Saturday from Noon (& possibly 1pm)

Location: Knowle FC, Hampton Rd, Knowle. B93 0NX

All coaches certified and DBS checked. £6 a session.

Sessions have run through the summer. We are ready to grow the sessions for 5-18 year olds who can enjoy football without the pressure or expectations of a 'team'.

For any questions, or simply to book ...

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