



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

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Friday 18 July	Last Day of Term
Monday 21 July	INSET Day
Monday 21 July	Childcare open for holiday club
Monday 1 Sept	INSET Day

Diary Dates

The Whole School
Attendance for
week commencing
14 July was 94.4%



Dear Parents

As we come to the end of another school year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the journey we have shared and to express our heartfelt thanks for your continued support.

From the first day of term in September to the final weeks of summer, your children have amazed us with their curiosity, resilience, and enthusiasm. It has been a privilege to watch them learn, play, and flourish. I would also like to express my sincere thanks to the staff and to the governors and trustees, all of whom work tirelessly to ensure the children at Streetsbrook have the best possible start to their education despite the increasing challenges we face as schools, not least because of the inadequate funding we receive.

As we head into the summer break, I wish you and your families a restful, happy, and safe holiday. We look forward to welcoming you back in the new school year, ready for more adventures in learning.

Finally, on behalf of all of the staff, I would like to express my thanks for the many cards and gifts we have all received.

With very best wishes

Yours sincerely

K. Minter

Book Look 2025

Thank you to everyone who attended Book Look 2025 on Monday morning. It was wonderful to see children and parents throughout the school sharing and celebrating their children's achievements. We know the children love this experience and we hope you enjoyed this opportunity to share a glimpse into school life too.



Cheerleading Festival

Huge congratulations to our Year 1 cheerleading squad who won second place in the recent South Solihull School Sports Partnership Festival of Cheerleading.

All of our children in Year 1 have been enjoying six weeks of coaching in cheerleading from coach Lauren and had the opportunity to participate in the festival if they chose to.

During their performance the Streetsbrook squad demonstrated fabulous focus, determination, team work and a wonderful positive attitude to competing.

We are extremely proud of them! Go.... Streetsbrook!



Here2Help families this Summer

Solihull Council is Here2Help families this summer, with support and services available ranging from free school meal vouchers and food parcels, access to family support services, fun summer day events, support with school uniforms and other essentials, Solihull's dedicated family hubs, and more summer activities than ever before through the holiday activity & food (HAF) programme. In addition, for the first time, Solihull residents qualifying for free school meals whose children attend school outside of the borough can now [register online](#) for a free school meal voucher for the summer. We want to ensure that families know about all the support available over the summer period. [More on the Here2Help website](#)

July 2025
To the pupils, staff and parents of Streetsbrook School
A big thank you for your recent donation of £50 to EducAid Africa. We will be sending this to Kenya to help buy more books or sports items at Malau School.
Over the years, your school has helped this primary school and nursery buy items they could not otherwise afford. The most popular have been footballs, because they usually make balls out of plastic bags and rubberbands that are a poor second best to the real

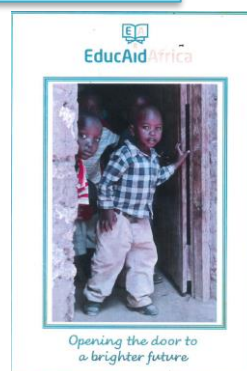
thing. There are whole sets of books in the classrooms that say they were donated by Streetsbrook School helping them learn Maths and English and other subjects. Every donation whether small or large will make a difference. - so thank you for thinking of us again.

Have a lovely summer break and come back to school ready to work hard again in September.

With every good wish

Jenni Kilson

on behalf of all the Trustees and the children we support in Kenya.



Nursery

This week, we finished our 'Zoom, Zoom, Zoom' topic by going on a 'car count'! We stood outside of school by the gate, next to the road and counted how many cars drove past. We made a tally chart showing the number of cars and the different colour cars we saw. The children all loved this activity and were smiling and waving at the cars driving past. We even saw a Tesco van delivering shopping to a neighbour across the road!

We cannot believe that it is the end of the Nursery year already – I have said it before, but where has the time gone? It has been a joy to watch your children grow and learn this year. We are so proud of each and every one of them and wish them all the best for their journey into Reception – they are more than ready! Thank you for all of your support and the kind words, cards and gifts we have received. We hope you have the most wonderful Summer break with your families. Well done Nursery! You are a bunch of super stars!



Year 2

As our school year draws to a close, our amazing Year 2 children have been spending time reflecting on their time at Streetsbrook. Through a selection of activities to reminisce and remember including some beautiful pieces of artwork, the children have been able to look back on their learning journey with pride, laughter and a few happy tears.

This week has been especially memorable as the children enjoyed either performing in or watching the brilliant Rock Steady concert. It was lovely to see how far the children have come with this and hope to see some perform at Glastonbury one day! On Thursday, Year 2 performed their heartfelt Leavers' Assembly. It was a wonderful celebration of their time with us, filled with confidence, joy and plenty of personality!

We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them! A huge thank you to all families for your generosity and ongoing support throughout the year. It has meant so much to us.

To our wonderful Year 2s - thank you for everything, and good luck as you take your next exciting steps. Stay in touch! We'll really miss you! 💖

Donations Welcome!

If you're having a summer clear-out, we would be very grateful for any jigsaws or games suitable for Year 2 children, as well as items for our transient art activities. Useful materials include marbles, corks, buttons, pebbles, shells, beads and other small, interesting objects.

Your donations will help to keep our classroom creative and fun. Thank you for your support!

Year 1

What a fantastic year we've had!

The children have worked incredibly hard, made wonderful progress, and learned so many new things along the way. It has been a joy to see them grow in confidence, make new friendships, and enjoy their learning.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Book Look on Monday. The children were so proud to share their work with you and thoroughly enjoyed celebrating everything they have achieved this year. On Tuesday morning, we had a lovely time during transition morning, where we visited our new classroom and met our new teachers. The children are already looking forward to the next exciting chapter in Year 2! We also enjoyed watching the fantastic Year 2 End of Year performance – well done to all involved!

A heartfelt thank you for the kind cards and generous gifts – your thoughtfulness and support are truly appreciated.

We wish you all a happy, healthy, and restful summer break, and all the very best as the children move into Year 2.

Well done, everyone – we are so proud of you!

Reception

Wow! Where has this year gone? As we think back to when the children joined us in September, some arriving from other settings and not knowing anyone, others coming up from Nursery yet still nervous about the change, to now...leaving Reception as confident, resilient, and enthusiastic to learn. We have loved visiting our new classes this week, talking to Year 1 children to find things out, and of course meeting our new teachers. We have had fun reflecting on our own Early Years journey, looking back at memories and being amazed when we looked at our work and saw all the wonderful progress we have made. We are all very Proud Peacocks. The Reception team would like to thank all our wonderful parents for their extremely generous gifts, poems and words that have made us tear up and above all, the support and trust you have given to us this year. We really will miss you all. You can help your child at home by having a wonderful summer, letting them rest, re-set and then enjoy the magic of being a child during a long break from school. And, if the boredom sets in, dig out that cardboard box!

Streetsbrook Childcare

We've had a great final week in Childcare, we celebrated with an end of year Hoola party, we enjoyed smoothies at the Tiki bar, tested our skills at the limbo pole and hoola hooped to Hawaiian music all whilst wearing grass skirts and leis. Over the week we have spent time thinking about transitions, we have discussed our worries and excitement, visited new classes and met new teachers. The children planned this week themselves; so we've read stories of their choice as well as played their favourite games and carried out the activities they've wanted. We have enjoyed being with you all on your journey so far and would like to wish all of you the very best as you move onto the next part of your adventures, to all of you returning in September we hope you have a lovely summer break and can't wait to see you for more fun times soon.

How to protect yourself and your family from measles

What is measles?

Measles cases have started to spread across the West Midlands. Measles is highly infectious and can lead to serious health complications, especially in children under 1, pregnant women, and people with a weakened immune system. Outbreaks can happen when not enough people have been immunised.

What are the symptoms of measles?

Measles usually starts with cold-like symptoms. The first symptoms of measles include:

- a high temperature
- a runny or blocked nose
- sneezing
- a cough
- red, sore, watery eyes



A rash usually appears a few days after the cold-like symptoms. The rash starts on the face and behind the ears before spreading to the rest of the body. Some people may also get small spots in their mouth, particularly inside the cheeks and on the back of the lips. To learn more about symptoms, visit <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>.

What should you do if you or your child has suspected measles?

If your child develops symptoms, urgently contact your GP. Please contact the surgery by telephone before visiting and tell the reception staff that you think that your child may have measles. Do not attend the surgery unless you are asked to. The doctor will make special arrangements to see your child so that if they have measles, they won't pass it on to others.

How can you protect yourself and your family from measles?

The MMR immunisation is the best way to protect yourself and your family against measles because it is:

- effective
- safe
- free of charge

2 doses of the MMR immunisation are needed to give the best protection against measles.

The first dose of the MMR immunisation is normally given soon after the first birthday, and a second dose before starting school, but you can catch-up with missed MMR doses at any age.

Research has shown there is **no link** between the MMR immunisation and autism.

The MMR immunisation is safe for all **faiths and cultures**. A pork-free version is available for those who avoid pork products. **This immunisation is available at every GP practice, and it is free.**

For more information on the MMR immunisation, **scan this QR code** or visit <https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine/>



Date: 11th July 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian

Summer immunisation reminders and important changes to the routine childhood immunisation programme.

Summer immunisations reminder

Immunisations are the best way to protect us all against serious and life-limiting diseases, like tetanus, diphtheria, measles, mumps, and rubella. All routine childhood immunisations are safe, effective, and free on the NHS. The upcoming summer holidays are the perfect time to catch up on any immunisations your child may have missed ahead of the new school year, especially as measles is currently circulating in Birmingham and the UK.

If your child has not had their MMR immunisation to fight measles, mumps and rubella or the 4 in 1 pre-school booster to prevent diphtheria, polio, tetanus and whooping cough, please arrange an appointment with your GP and get protected over the summer holiday. If you have any questions, please speak to your GP or Practice Nurse, or visit the NHS immunisations webpage (link below) for more information.

Safe travelling abroad

If you are travelling abroad this summer, please ensure that you and your family are up to date with routine vaccinations **before** travelling. This protects both you and those around you, particularly vulnerable individuals such as babies.

If you have teenagers in school, they may have missed their Men ACWY vaccine which helps protect against life-threatening illnesses like meningitis and sepsis. Usually given to children when they are 13 or 14 years old (school year 9 or 10.) If they have missed having the vaccine it can be given up to the age of 25. Again speak to your GP or practice nurse to book an appointment

<https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/>

Changes to the routine childhood immunisation programme

It is important to note that as of the 1st of July 2025, the routine childhood immunisation schedule has undergone some changes. These changes have been recommended by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) to improve protection against infectious diseases and reflect the latest scientific evidence. Most of these changes only affect children born on or after 1 July 2024.

One of the changes involves the second dose of Measles, Mumps and Rubella immunisation taking place earlier at 18 months of age (brought forwards from 3 years and 4 months). Locally, we hope that these changes will improve uptake and reduce illness from measles which is currently circulating in Birmingham and the UK. Measles can cause longer term harm to your child. For more information please see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/changes-to-the-childhood-vaccination-programme-why-are-they-happening>