



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Mon 12 May
Tues 13 May
Fri 16 May
Mon 19 May
Tue 20 May
Thurs 26 June

PTA Meeting 2.00pm
School Photographs
Book Fair 3.15-4.15pm
Book Fair 7.30-8.30am & 3.15-4.15pm
Sports Day 1.15-3.00pm at Sharmans Cross school (Reception –Yr 2)
Nursery Sports Day 9.15-10.30am



The Whole School
Attendance for
week commencing
5 May was 97.2%



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – TUESDAY 13 MAY

Class Photographs together with Year 2

individual photographs will be taking place Tuesday 13 May. Please can you ensure your child comes to school in full school uniform on this day. Thank you!

End of Year Assemblies

The dates are confirmed for the End of Year assemblies. Please see dates below:

Nursery: Friday 11th July at 9.30am

Reception: Wednesday 2nd July at 9.30am

Year 1: Tuesday 17th June at 2.15pm

Year 2 Leavers Assembly: Thursday 17th July at 9.30am

Monthly Attendance Award

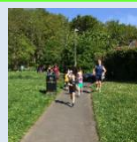
May 2025

Well done to **Bluebells** for winning the monthly Attendance Award with an amazing **96.8%**

Bluebells	96.8%
Snowdrops	92.4%
Owls	95.3%
Robins	96.7%
Puffins	93.8%
Kingfishers	93.1%

MINI MARATHON

Thank you to everyone who came to our Mini Marathon– it was wonderful to see so many of you running with your children. A reminder to return all sponsor money by Friday 9 May 2025, thank you



PLEASE SEE THE ATTACHED POSTER
WITH BOOK FAIR DATES

RAFFLE PRIZES

Do you own or work for a company that would be willing to donate a raffle prize for our Summer Fair please? If you do, please get in touch! Many thanks.

SUMMER FAIR
WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN BEING A SPONSOR FOR OUR SUMMER FAIR ON FRIDAY 4 JULY 2025? IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT US FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Afterschool Clubs

We have pleasure in welcoming back our outside providers of afterschool clubs this Summer term. Gymnastics, dance, football and tennis are now all available. Please [click here](#) to access the Extra Curricular Clubs page of our website for details of how to book.



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy
and Solihull Parent Carer Voice

Coffee and Chat

Join us for a sleep workshop,
on the importance of sleep,
sleep issues and developing
healthy sleep.

Join us for a coffee and chat. All
Parents/Carers welcome to attend. This
session we will be looking at Transition,
supporting your young person through
transition to the new school year, and
how you can help them.

Venue

Streetsbrook Infant & Early
Years Academy
Ralph Road
Shirley
B90 3LB

Date

Wednesday 2nd July

Time

2.00pm



Solihull Parent
Carer Voice



Nursery

Nursery are really enjoying our Circus topic and this week we have been practising some of our circus skills and dressing up as circus performers. We continued to think about the different jobs there at the circus including all the different types of performers. In phonics this week, we have made the /w/ sound; pucker your lips and keep them small as you say **w**. We sang 'Incy Wincy Spider' which the children already know very well and played a range of sound games linked to this rhyme.

On Thursday, the children came to school wearing red, white and blue to mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day. It was lovely to see the children in their own clothes, marking such a special occasion.

Next week, we will be learning some new circus skills including plate spinning and hook a duck! On Tuesday, it is class photographs, so please remember to send your child to school wearing full school uniform.

Upcoming Dates:

Friday 13th June – Circus Workshop – Parents Invited

Thursday 26th June – Nursery Sports Day – Parents Invited

Tuesday 1st July – Nursery Bear Hunt Morning – Parents Helpers Requested



Year 2

Year 2 have enjoyed another super week! We have shown off some of our knowledge in reading, writing and maths, and started to learn how to read an analogue clock in 5 minute increments - please keep practising this at home. In writing, we focused our attention on the character of the lion in our text 'How to Hide a Lion' by Helen Stephens. We wrote fantastic descriptions of the lion in the style of a Wanted poster. After an assembly from Miss Tench, we have looked at the different strengths we have within our class. It has been wonderful to hear the children complimenting each other and we have been noticing how this makes us feel. In Art, we have looked at African patterns, focusing on the different types of pattern and colours used. We enjoyed creating our own page of patterns whilst listening to Kenyan music.

Next week, we will be looking at food chains in Science and using role play to spark ideas in English. We are also looking forward to our African drumming workshop and Design and Technology day next Friday - **please remember to bring your small box (tissue or small cereal size) and one jar lid.**

Year 1

We've had another exciting and busy week in Year 1, full of discovery and creativity! Here's a look at what we've been up to in each subject. In Math's we've been learning about comparison terms: *greater than*, *less than*, and *equal to*. The children have done a fantastic job using these new words to compare numbers and explain their thinking clearly.

Our focus in English has been the story *The Deep Dark Wood* by Algy Craig Hall. The children have loved getting to know the characters and asking thoughtful questions to explore the story more deeply. Our broad beans are beginning to grow! We've been closely observing the changes since we planted them and discussing what plants need to grow. It's been wonderful to see the children so excited about nature. In art, we explored direct printmaking using a variety of objects. The children experimented with textures and shapes to create some truly unique pieces of art.

In history, we've been learning about different types of transport. The children enjoyed identifying which forms travel underground and which go overground, and we had some great conversations about how transport has changed over time.

Here's a sneak peek at what we'll be learning and exploring in Year 1 next week.

We'll be building on our work linked to *The Deep Dark Wood* by Algy Craig Hall. The children will be sequencing sentences to create their very own short stories based on the book – we can't wait to see their imaginations come to life!

In maths, we'll be learning to recognise, find, and name a half as one of two equal parts of an object, shape, or quantity. We'll be using plenty of hands-on activities to help bring this concept to life. Sports Day is coming soon! We'll be practising a variety of skills in PE to help us prepare for the big day. From balancing to running and jumping, and building our confidence and teamwork. In RE, we'll be reflecting on the importance of identity – understanding who we are and what makes each of us unique. We're looking forward to another week full of learning, creativity, and fun!

Reception

Reception have been crime scene investigators this week! On Thursday afternoon, we found a mystery that needed to be solved, someone was trying to eat the Gingerbread Man! They had left several clues which helped us in solving this crime, firstly we noticed they had left trails of flour everywhere and they had even left some footprints! We looked at a map of the school and located all the places that the gingerbread man may be safe from the mystery person, we then used our maps to follow the directions which led us through to Mrs Miller's office, where she was caught red handed with flour and crumbs everywhere! Fortunately, she only managed a nibble of the gingerbread man before he was able to run away to safety in the Nest, where he had also left us a hunt to do and some ginger biscuits as a reward for keeping him safe. We have also been authors this week too; we have read and acted out the story of the gingerbread man, and this week we challenged ourselves to write our own gingerbread man story. We had a couple of pictures which we used to think of a simple sentence, we then read our sentence aloud, counted the words and had a go at independently writing it, reading it after to check it made sense, had finger spaces, capital letters and a full stop. New tricky words this week: **were, here, little, says.**



Streetsbrook Childcare

This week in Childcare we have continued to explore our story Rainbow Fish in a sensory way. We added sequins and googly eyes to our play dough to create shiny scales and features on our dough fish, we also put glitter, food colouring and sparkles into the water tray to make swirly patterns in the waves.

On Thursday, to commemorate VE Day we had an Air day, the children have been enjoying making paper airplanes for a while now so we themed our celebrations around the RAF. We made wooden planes from sticks and pegs, painted flags, made medals and hats as well as had a paper airplane competition where we made planes then flew them through hoops etc. We also had spitfire races by attaching planes to string and balloons making them fly by letting the balloons go! We finished the day with a traditional 'afternoon tea' for snack enjoying plenty of scones, jam and strawberries.

Don't forget Tuesday 13th May we are taking whole class photos at 9.00am, if you do not normally attend this day you are more than welcome to come along to join in with the photo.



Please come to our Brilliant Book Fair!

Opening Hours:

Friday 16 May 2025

3.15pm – 4.15pm (Hall)

Monday 19 May

7.30am - 8.30am (Foyer)

3.15pm – 4.15pm (Foyer)

If you can't make any of these times
please let us know ... we can open
just for you until Wednesday 21 May
at 3pm!

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to pay online!



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Streetsbrook Infant School

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A little sample of what's on offer at our Brilliant Book Fair!

Ages 2+

NEW Girl on Front of Glass **£7.99** *Pop-out book with lots of activities*

NEW Young Readers 3 MINECRAFT **£5.99** *MEETING THE OVERMINE!*

NEW Perfect Puppies Alfie **£4.99**

NEW WHEN FISH FINGER FROZE **£6.99**

NEW GEORGE WEINER GEORGE AND HIS MINI DRAGON **£6.99**

NEW ADOPT A DRAGON **£6.99** *6+*

NEW Jonty Gentoo **£12.99** **£7.99** *From the creators of Zag*

NEW 7 STARS OF Lilo & Stitch STORIES **£7.99** *Pop-out stories to celebrate*

Ages 6+

NEW MY BIG FAT Smelly POOP DIARY **£8.99** *The funny one!*

NEW ROALD DAHL FANTASTIC MR FOX **£3.99** **ONLY £3.99**

NEW SUPERCHARGED **£7.99**

NEW PLANET OMAR **£6.99** **ONLY £2.99**

NEW 2 for only **£6.99**

NEW POKEMON SUPER SUPER EXTRA BEGINS! ESSENTIAL HANDBOOK **£14.99** **£10.99** **Save £4**

NEW Kitten Love My Cute Journal **£6.99**

NEW CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS **£9.99**

EVERY BOOK YOU BUY EARNS FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL

*Titles that sell out at the fair can be ordered for delivery on Thursday 22 May.

EVERY LESSON SHAPES A LIFE

"My teacher helps me with problems, and makes me feel a bit better."



"My teacher listens and helps me."



"My teacher makes lessons fun, so I can enjoy them."

"My teacher gives me extra challenges in lessons!"



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