



# Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

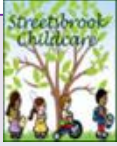
## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

2024-25  
Issue No 3  
W/C 16 September 2024

- 25 September Nasal Flu Vaccination
- 27 September Macmillan Coffee Morning (Dress down)
- 8 October School Photos

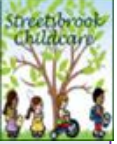
Diary Dates

The Whole School  
Attendance for week  
commencing 16  
September was 96.7%

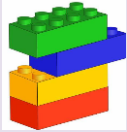


## Streetsbrook Childcare Holiday Club

### Friday 25 October-Friday 1 November 2024

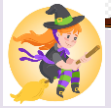


Here are some of the exciting things we have planned for October half term holiday club:-



Fri 25 Oct – Lego Day  
Mon 28 Oct – Game Show Day  
Tues 29 Oct – Solve The Mystery

Weds 30 Oct – Witches & Wizards  
Thurs 31 Oct - Spookfest  
Fri 1 Nov – Festival of Light



Please click [here](#) for the booking forms – the closing date for bookings is Friday 18 October!

Our wonderful school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October to take individual and sibling photographs. Please can we ask all children to be in full uniform on this day. Thank you



### Teas in Afterschool Club

A reminder that if you would like to cancel a hot tea for your child on any night, you must advise us of this by 2.00pm on the day please, otherwise you may still be charged. Thank you.



Please [click here](#) to view **Tips for Talking** for Parents & Carers regarding Children's Mental Health.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Information Evening on Wednesday. We hope you found this useful and informative. If you missed it, the presentations are available to view on our website by [clicking here](#).



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07480 635 496



### Term Dates 2024-25

Please click [here](#) for the term dates for 24-25 to include inset days (updated) and bank holidays

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT

**Macmillan Coffee Morning**  
**Friday 27 September 2024 – 9.00am**

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A reminder that our coffee morning will be taking place on Friday 27 September at 9.00am in the school hall. We would kindly ask that you bring in a cake donation anything from cupcakes, muffins to flapjacks, home-made or shop brought (a reminder that we are a nut-free school). Children are invited to 'dress-down' and wear the Macmillan colours of pink/purple/white or green. A £2.00 donation would be gratefully received – please hand to your class teacher on the day. We look forward to seeing you there!

# School Council 2024-25

A huge thank you to everyone who put themselves forward for the Role of Chair or Vice Chair.

Your speeches were phenomenal! Your enthusiasm and desire to contribute to school life shone through. One or two of you even made the staff shed a tear or too with the content of your application speech.

After two rounds of elections, firstly within Year 2, then among all children and staff, I am delighted to announce our new School Council Chairs and Vice Chair.

## Joint Chair – Aadvik & Emilia



## Vice Chair - Elsie



In addition, the following children will represent their class on the School Council.

### Bluebells

Freddie  
Hareem

### Snowdrops

Oliver  
Annabelle

### Owls

Frankie-Jay  
Fatimah

### Robins

Abeer  
Vienna

### Kingfishers

Connie  
Isabella  
Alfie  
Iyla  
Sophie  
Primrose

### Puffins

Evie-Rose  
Ariana  
Arabella  
Emelia  
Ibrahim  
Lily

## Nursery

We have had another fun week in Nursery, settling in and making new friends. This week, we continued to think about our Nursery rules and how important it is to follow these. We have been very impressed about how independently the children have been coming into the classroom in the morning, carrying their own belongings and putting them away independently.

This week, the children were very excited to explore our outdoor area. At the beginning of the week, we went out in small groups to talk about our boundaries and our outside rules and to explore. Following this, the outdoor area has been open as free flow so the children are able to choose independently if they would like to be inside or outside.

The children have also created some wonderful paintings this week and we shall be putting some up in the classroom so the children can be very proud of their work – I actually think we could have some budding artists!

Next week, is our 'What to do about poo!' week! We will be thinking about how we know when we need the toilet, reinforcing using the toilet and talking about the importance of washing our hands. We shall also continue to explore our outdoor area.

If you have not yet done so, please could we ask you to send in a photograph of your child and their family. During the week beginning Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September, the children will be showing these photos in small groups and talking about who is in their family. For this purpose, it would be great if you could write on the back who each member of the family is so we can support the children.

Finally, we would like to thank all the parents who were able to attend our Information Evening earlier this week. It was lovely to welcome you into school and talk to you in more detail about Nursery.

## Year 1

We have had another busy busy week in Year 1! We have begun our English lessons based on the book 'Stuck' by Oliver Jeffers. The children did a fantastic job at writing labels and writing a list of all of the things that got 'stuck'! We were so impressed at their independent segmenting and blending to help them write words in a list. In maths this week we have been learning how to write numbers as words. This is one of the Year 1 end of year expectations and something you can work on at home. The children all wrote numbers 1-10 as words this week e.g. four, five, six. In Geography this week we made a whole class season wheel. We discussed each season including what the weather is like, celebrations that happen and what our local area looks like. Our Art session was inspired by the Artist 'Lowry' this week. The children explored using sketch pencils for the first time and learnt how to shade light and dark! Thank you for all of you who attended our Information Evening on Wednesday night, it was lovely to get to know you more! Next week we will be learning about the life of Queen Victoria in preparation for our trip to the Black Country Museum. We will be consolidating our knowledge on number bonds to 10 and using them to solve subtraction number sentences. The children are all so excited to begin Phase 5 phonics next week, we will be learning lots of new graphemes so please do support your child with their weekly phonics homework to support their progress.

## Streetsbrook Childcare

This week in Childcare we have been thinking about ourselves and our families. We painted our self portraits carefully selecting accurate hair, skin and eye colours and we also built model houses from lollipop sticks which we then drew our families inside. We have spent time creating our class family album using our family photos, we showed our friends the photos and talked about who was in our photo and special memories about it. This book will stay out in our home corner to re visit independently with our friends. Also this week we used various natural items such as cones, conkers and leaves to create pictures of our families, it was lovely to see that even pets made it into the frame. Once again Fudge, our classroom bear, will be off on his adventures. Each week he will choose a friend to come home and spend the weekend with, please could you write a few lines and maybe attach a photo of his adventures with you to share at circle time, the children absolutely love doing this and get so much from the experience.

## Reception

What another busy week! We have begun to explore our topic of 'Where the Wild Things Are' by reading the story. Please feel free to visit the local library and see if you can borrow a copy or have a look on YouTube. It's a lovely story all about a little boy called Max who journeys on a boat and meets some wild things and they have a Wild Rumpus!

In phonics this week, we have learnt the sounds i, n, m and d. please continue to practice the sounds at home. We have also been having a go at blending sounds together to make words using the letters we have learnt so far. At home you could have a go at making your own letter cards and putting some together to create words, try these ones:

s-a-t t-i-p m-a-n n-a-p

What other words can you make?

We just wanted to say a huge thank you to all of the parents who managed to come to the information evening on Wednesday, it was great to see so many of you. If you weren't able to make it, the PowerPoint is available on the school website for you to catch up on anything. As usual, please check the board outside your child's classroom for any notices and also ways in which you can help your child at home.

Just a reminder that PE is every TUESDAY and THURSDAY for both classes, so please bring your child to school in their PE kit, and ensure they have a named pair of pumps in school with them.

## Year 2

Year 2 have had a fabulous week continuing their learning about our text 'What Feelings Do When No One's Looking' by Tina Oziewicz. We have thought of adjectives to describe the characters and tried our best to use these to write a character description. We found this a little tricky so, next week, we are going to link our learning to some characters we know a little better - the emotions in the film 'Inside Out'. In Maths, we have been focusing on our number facts within 20 including writing numbers as words. Keep working on your number bonds to and within 20 as it's important that you know these fluently. In Science, we have started a long-term scientific investigation about how we will change in Year 2. We have made predictions and recorded data about our current height, our current shoe size and the number of teeth we have at the moment. I wonder how these things will change throughout the year? In Art, we have focused our learning around the artist Picasso. We took inspiration from his 'Weeping Woman' artwork and drew our own abstract portraits.



On Friday, we had a problem! Puffins classroom was 'blocked' so we decided to have a morning of role play. We all used our imagination hats to become Florence Nightingale and took part in her journey to Scutari Hospital. We went on a carriage being pulled by a horse, a boat across a rough sea, and then walked to the hospital past an injured soldier! Finally we arrived at Scutari Hospital but... Oh my goodness! What a mess! There was straw on the floor, dirty bandages for the soldiers and mouldy food for them to eat. Thank goodness that Florence Nightingale arrived and took charge! We helped to clean the hospital, order medicine and fresh food. We taught the old nurse how to wash her hands and be hygienic. What a fantastic end to the week! Thank you to those parents who joined us for the Information Evening on Wednesday - it was lovely to see you all and we hope that you found this helpful! Next week, we will be concentrating on addition in Maths. Please help your child to recap their knowledge of tens and ones and partitioning numbers.



# Little Sips BIG ADVENTURES

Dear parent/guardian,

As you may be aware your child's school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Mid-morning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children receive free milk until the age of 5. After that, they can continue to reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised\* cost.

If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at [www.coolmilk.com/register](http://www.coolmilk.com/register). Your child(ren) will continue to receive free milk whilst under the age of 5 and Cool Milk will get in touch with further information by email shortly before their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday.

For children who are already over 5, it's not too late – our scheme is flexible! As well as being able to register and make payment straight away, you can join and cancel the scheme at any time. We offer yearly, termly and half termly payment periods and a recurring payment option to give you one less thing to remember.

If you already have an online Cool Milk account for a sibling, you can manage your account, make payment and add extra children by logging in at [www.coolmilk.com/parents](http://www.coolmilk.com/parents).

Should you have any questions or need any help, send us a message at [www.coolmilk.com/contact](http://www.coolmilk.com/contact) or give us a call on the number listed below – we're here to help!

Kind regards,

*Cool Milk*

☎: 0800 321 3248

💻: [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com)



SCAN TO REGISTER

\*Milk for under-5s is fully funded by DHSC via the Nursery Milk Scheme. Milk for over-5s is subsidised by Defra via the School Milk Scheme.



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## Understanding Your Child A Solihull Approach group for parents and carers

- ✳ Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- ✳ Do you understand your child's behaviour?
- ✳ Would you like the chance to meet other parents with children of a similar age?

The **Understanding Your Child** group offers parents and carers the opportunity to learn more about their parenting, how children develop and begin to understand their behaviour.

Evaluation of previous groups has shown they have helped to reduce parental anxiety, enhance the parent/child relationship and improve their child's behaviour.

Issues explored include:

- ✳ Having fun together
- ✳ Development needs
- ✳ Behaviour difficulties
- ✳ Communication
- ✳ Parenting styles
- ✳ Sleep



### AUTUMN TERM 2024

**Widney Junior School  
THURSDAY**

**9.30am – 11.30am**

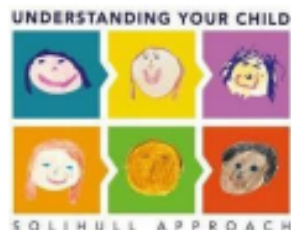
**3/10/24 – 12/12/24**

**Excl. half term: 31/10/24**

The group is led by two trained facilitators, who have a wide range of experience in working with children and families.

Groups are held during each school term, running for 2 hours, once a week, for 10 weeks and are completely free of charge.

Funding for childcare may be available for children requiring care whilst you attend the group.



To book a place, or for further information about parenting groups in Solihull, please contact the Parenting Team via email to [bsmhft.parenting@nhs.net](mailto:bsmhft.parenting@nhs.net) or via Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/solihull-parenting-team-public-health-solihull-mbc-52701625953>

