



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

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DIARY DATES

Tuesday 13 February

- Pancake Day – pancake dessert!
- Year 2 Litter Pick with LoveSolihull
- 4.00-7.00pm Parent Consultations

Thursday 15 February

- Special Lunch - Winter Olympics
- 4.00-8.00pm Parent Consultations

Friday 16 February

- Last Day of Spring Term 1

Streetsbrook Value of the Term

Desire to Learn



Dessert on Tuesday will be PANCAKES in view of it being Shrove Tuesday!

Message from Mrs Minter

It has been brought to my attention that some unpleasant comments about a child in school are being shared on a WhatsApp group chat - this is completely unacceptable. If anyone has any concerns about individuals at school, these should be addressed with your child's Class Teacher or myself - Thank you



UPDATE

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 6th February the children at celebrated 'Safer Internet Day'. This year's theme was focused on encouraging the children to: 'Create, Connect and Share Respect' whenever they use the internet. The whole school took part in some wonderful and exciting activities that encouraged them to reflect on how great the internet is but also the precautions that they need to take to keep safe whilst online.

In Nursery and Childcare, the children were introduced to 'Smartie the Penguin.' Children reflected on who could help them if they experienced a problem when online or using computers/iPads. In Reception, the children listened to a few stories including 'Once Upon a Time Online' and 'Troll Stinks.' They shared circle-time discussions about the key messages in the books and discussed the reasons why set rules are important and need to be followed.



Within KS1, the children completed an activity where they had to work as a team to create a poster that explained what they liked about Streetsbrook. Using the Seesaw app, the children were encouraged to write and post positive comments about a group poster. We discussed how the positive comments made us feel and emphasised the importance of treating people with respect online as well as offline. The children also listened stories such as 'Webster's Email' and took part in-depth circle-time discussions.

Many thanks for your support with emphasising the importance of staying safe whilst online at home too. Advice from our Online Safety workshop can be viewed via the 'Internet Safety' page on our website and any queries regarding this can be directed to Mrs Smith, at any point throughout the year.



Year 2 Trashion Show



This week our Vice Chair of Governors hosted the Year 2 'Trashion' Show. The children made some amazing costumes out of recyclable items and they were lucky enough to parade them in front of the Mayor of Solihull. Read more about this exciting event in the Year 2 news section.



Did you know:

About one in ten children in the UK, around one million, may have head lice at any one time

- Children aged 4 to 11 are most at risk as they have more physical, close contact with friends and family



Winter Olympics

Special Meal

Thursday 15th February

Red Thai Chicken Curry or Vegetable Spring Rolls
with Fragrant Steamed Rice or Egg Noodles with Shredded Cabbage and Long Green Beans

Dessert

Olympic Ring Doughnuts Or Chilled Watermelon/Honeydew Melon





YEAR 2



The highlight of this week, if not the term, was our Trashion Show! In front of the Mayor of Solihull, the children put on a show like no other, showcasing their remarkable homemade outfits made purely out of recycled materials. We can only thank you all for your effort and support in helping to make the morning so successful. Along with the rest of the school, we also learnt about E-safety on Safer Internet Day, learning the importance of staying safe online in terms of privacy and appropriateness of what is being viewed online.

A reminder for the children to come in their own clothes on Tuesday, suitable to go outside for our Litter Pick in Palmers Rough.



RECEPTION

This week our literacy focus has been the electronic book 'Back to Earth With a Bump'. In the story Hal was given the mission of finding out why we have day and night. The children went on to write a recount of Hal's adventure to Space using time words such as first, next and last. In Maths we have been exploring the concept of half by sharing into two equal groups. We then went on to read the story 'The Doorbell Rang' by Pat Hutchins and looked at sharing equally using the context of this story. Linked to our topic 'Out of this world' we have been looking at the painting 'A Starry Night' by Van Gogh. The children have created their own textured paintings inspired by this work.

On Tuesday it was Safer Internet Day - we hope you have had the chance to discuss with your child the key learning they have taken away from these activities. Next week as our fabulous finale to this half terms topic, we are looking forward to a Skype question and answer session with Dr. Dhara Patel, Education Officer from the Royal Observatory Greenwich. If your child would like to independently write a question for the astronomer please send this in on Monday. Thank you

NURSERY

In Nursery this week, the HOT topic has been all about Firefighters! The children have loved learning how Firefighters respond to emergency calls, where they get their water from and the equipment they use to stay safe. We have been role-playing our very own rescue scenarios and even had a mock fire drill. We have also been exploring the art style of Roy Lichtenstein and creating our own dotty pop art pieces. On Tuesday we had Safer Internet Day, in which we learned about Smartie the Penguin and the difference between 'safe' and 'not safe.'



Next week we will be learning about Chinese New Year and will be making some Lichtenstein-style Valentines cards.

Please remember to continue to send in your Parents Observations. We look forward to seeing you all at the parent consultations!

Streetsbrook Childcare



This week children in Little Rockets have enjoyed looking at our family photos and have been discussing who lives with them in their homes. We have also been enjoying messy play with shaving foam and dinosaurs.



Little Stars have enjoyed singing '5 Little Speckled Frogs' and have created some of our very own frogs.

Next week our song of the week will be 'Incy Wincy Spider' and both rooms will be celebrating Chinese New Year, where children will be able to have a try of some tasty new foods. Please can you all continue to send in your family photos!



YEAR 1

Year 1 have had a great 'time' in Maths this week, learning all about o'clock and half past. The children have been solving problems about time and making their own clocks to practise with. Why not see if they can tell the time for you over the weekend?



In English we have been completing lots of sentence level work and have started to use contraction words, such as I'm, don't, couldn't, shouldn't.

Next week the children will continue their learning about different fabrics and will design and create their very own fabric self-portrait.

A big thank you to those of you who have sent in wellington boots for our PSHE/gardening activity - they are greatly appreciated!

