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The latest news and information from the staff and children at Stourport Primary Academy.

HEADlines

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a good Christmas.

Firstly, can I thank you for supporting the end of term performances, not quite what we had planned, but so lovely for the children to have an audience.

This term your children have returned to exciting new topics and are sharing their new found knowledge in Friday assemblies alongside our celebrations. We are all learning a lot!

We continue to follow Government guidance to reduce infection transmission. People who are asymptomatic and test positive on an LFT test **will not** need to have a PCR test. They must isolate immediately, and from Monday 17th January, the isolation period may end after 5 whole days if LFT tests taken 24 hours apart on day 5 and 6 are negative. However, if you have symptoms, then a PCR should be taken. Close contacts, should test daily for 7 days (This includes children from 5 years old).

We will continue to inform you, if your child has potentially had contact with a positive case, and advise according to the latest guidance.

As always thank you for your continued support.



Thank you again to the parents who joined us in our first meeting with Miss Newton. Your thoughts and ideas will be displayed on the Parent Voice noticeboard in the front entrance.

We are going to have a Parent Voice group meeting once a month with different topics. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 27th January at 9am.

The topic will be behaviour at school, so anyone who is interested in joining this discussion - please let your class teacher or office staff know.

The meeting is open to anyone but we will have to restrict the numbers this time.

Thank you

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Number Day 2022

On Friday 4th February, we will once again be supporting the NSPCC's Number Day. This year the theme is 'Dress Up for Digits' so we are inviting children to come to school dressed in something with a numbers theme. Parents and carers are invited to make a donation to the NSPCC via Parent Pay.

Children will take part in some exciting maths based activities in addition to their usual maths lesson and will also have the opportunity to find out more about the work of the NSPCC.

Thank you to Mrs Lane for organizing this for us!



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Curriculum Corner: Art and Design Technology

At Stourport Primary, we like to deliver our Art and our Design Technology sessions for a longer period of time over a few days, rather than an hour per week over the half term. This way, we believe the children will be able to learn, practice and apply the skills they have developed with greater confidence.

Year 1



For our Welcome to the Toyshop topic we are very excited to be looking at the artist Allan Inman who explores the world of make-believe through fantastical paintings of toys. We will create our own still life painting of a toy and develop a range of skills such as exploring the use of line, shape and colour.

Year 2

For DT this half term we will be designing, making and evaluating our own bags. The bags will be from the time of 'The Great Fire of London.' Their purpose is to be able to hold and fit a precious item that the children would want to save from getting burnt in the fire.

Year 3

This half term the topic in Year 3 is 'The Polar Regions.' We are going to learn all about Ernest Shackleton's incredible expedition and for design and technology we are going to complete a project designing and making models of shelters suitable for the extreme weather conditions in The Antarctic.

We need waterproof materials and we would be very grateful if anyone has some old waterproof clothing that we could use to make them. Thank you.

Year 4

Year 4 will be creating flying machines as part of their 'Around the World in 80 days' topic. Using pulleys, lever's and gears, they will create flying machines to explore the countries of the British Commonwealth.



Year 5

In our 'Amazing African American' topic we will be creating clay masks based on designs from The Kingdom of Benin. Children will have the opportunity to craft and shape their own clay mask and apply paint inspired by contemporary West African artists. Our masks will then be displayed on the websites children are creating in school.

Year 6



In Year 6 children will be studying the effects of pollution. In DT we will be looking at different ways of joining materials and establishing the most effective methods. We will then use plastic products to plan, design and make a new product. Children will be encouraged to be creative and make a product with a professional finish. Which we will then evaluate.

Kindness

Respect

Year 6 Malvern Residential

With all the excitement of Christmas in our last edition, we completely ran out of room for this article!

Back in November, 48 children from Years 5 and 6 attended a 2 day residential at Boundless Outdoor Centre in Malvern. A terrific time was had by all.

We set targets of teamwork and resilience and all of the children challenged themselves to take part in all of the activities which included zip wire, king swing, archery, crate stacking (Mrs Hopkrik's personal favourite), quad pole and problem solving.

Well done to all the children and thank you to the staff who supported them.



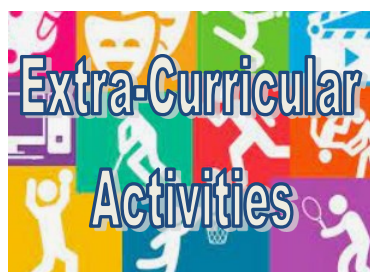
PE Post

Coming up this term: This term is an exciting one for PE. Children in Year 5 and 6 will be doing gymnastics with a link to their topic and children in Year 4 will explore sports from different countries supporting their '80 Days Around the World' topic. Year 3 will be experiencing their Outdoor and Adventurous Activities unit with teamwork and resilience as core values while children in Key Stage 1 will be continuing with their multi skills approach, developing the skills needed to participate in a range of sporting activities.

Please help your child access this very important subject by making sure they have the appropriate kit in school for both indoor and outdoor lessons.

First Place! We are thrilled that we finished first at the Wyre

Forest Boccia festival before Christmas. Well done to everyone who took part, and thank you to the staff for helping to organise this event. We hope to continue with our success when entering events and festivals organised by the Wyre Forest Schools Partnership this term.



This term, the school council have asked for suggestions and ideas from each class for extra curricular activities and have compiled a list of the most popular. We are will be offering some of these this term so please keep a lookout in your child's book bag for the sign up letter.

A Big SPA Welcome

We would like to say a huge hello and welcome to Miss Stokes who has joined us in Rainbow and Miss Morgan who joins us in Oak. We are really looking forward to working with you and we know the children are already enjoying you working with them in their classes.



Recycled Books and Magazines

Have you been having a sort out after Christmas? Wondering where you can put everything? Why not give them a new lease of life?

If you have any good quality second - hand children's books, magazines or comics, which have been pre-loved, we would be very grateful if you could donate to the school to enhance our class reading areas.

RSPB Birdwatch

The annual RSPB Birdwatch is taking place from 28-30 January. If you would like a recording sheet, please see Mrs Collins. You can find out more information at rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch

Honesty

Teamwork

Family Learning

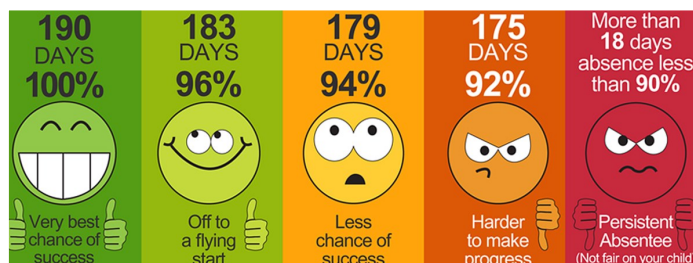
Worcestershire Children First have published a new list of courses for Family Learning for 2022

These courses include: SEND – Understanding Dyslexia, Managing Mindfulness, positive behaviour strategies, Early Phonics for Parents, Family Wellness, Art for Parents, Art for your child - ideas for parents, Family Cooking Classes, Cooking on a budget and Communicating with Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

The courses are FREE if you earn less than £17,000 per year, are unemployed and on benefits, or your child has Special Educational Needs or receives Free School Meals

These courses are not run by the school and you will need to book via www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses or by phoning 01905 728537.

Attendance Counts



If your child is absent from school, please remember to telephone the school before 9:00 **each day** they are absent.

If you need any help or advice about attendance, please contact Mrs Haydon—our attendance officer via the school office.

10 minute Brain Teaser

Can you work out the value of the orange, melon and banana? Is there more than one solution?

$$\text{melon} + \text{melon} + \text{melon} = 36$$

$$\text{melon} + \text{orange} + \text{orange} = 28$$

$$\text{orange} - \text{banana} = 3$$

$$\text{orange} = ? \quad \text{melon} = ? \quad \text{banana} = ?$$

Upcoming Events

SAET One Big Idea Cross School Competition during January

NSPCC Number Day—4th February

Safer Internet Day— 8th February

Parents' Evenings—15th & 17th February

Half Term—21st-25th February

School Reopens—28th February

Year 5 and 6 First Aid Workshop—February and March

First Author Visits— 1st and 2nd March

Science Week— 11th-20th March

Year 3 and 4 Hobgoblin Theatre Workshops—16th March

Mothers Day—25th March (TBC)

We will send out details about each event nearer the time.

