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

HEADlines

What a busy term we have had at Stourport Primary - it feels like we have crammed a lot into a very short space of time—hopefully May's edition of *Read All About It* will give you an insight in to everything that has been happening. I continue to be incredibly proud of all of our children and the effort they put into everything that they do. Of course, all of the opportunities that they have wouldn't be possible without the hard work of the whole team here at SPA and your support—thank you!

As the warmer weather approaches us after half term, please make sure your child has a sun hat and sun cream (with their name on it) in school—just in case!

Egg-cellent News!

We've had some very exciting visitors at Stourport Primary Academy from the Incredible Egg Company. On Monday 9th May two incubators arrived with duck and hen eggs. We waited and watched patiently and finally on Friday 13th May the eggs started to hatch! We had four ducklings and four chicks successfully hatch. The children have been able to make close observations of their hatchlings. The ducklings have even had swimming lessons! A wonderful experience for all our children.



Contact Details



What an amazing milestone for our Queen to have reached - 70 years on the throne.

The week before half term, we are going to dedicate our curriculum to this amazing celebration. During the week, the children will complete lots of Art and DT projects, learn about the seven decades that the Queen has reigned for, as well learning all about the Royal Family.

On Friday 27th May, we would like to invite the children to wear their party clothes, as we will have a special assembly to celebrate the Jubilee. This will comprise of a big whole school 'street party' where the children can have nuggets and chips and a Jubilee Celebration cupcake - **Please sign your child up for this on Parent Pay if you wish.**

Please don't forget our Platinum Jubilee competition: to design a kennel for one of the Queen's corgis especially for the celebration.



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7 classes in school can now say they are Guinness World Record holders after they joined in with the Rolling Numbers Livestream event on 18th May as part of National Numeracy Day.

Well done to everyone in Rowan, Cedar, Ash, Beech, Fir, Elm and Silver Birch who will each get an official certificate.



Year This half term, children in Years 2 and 6 have worked extremely hard in their SATs tests. We are all enormously proud of all their efforts and how they have endeavoured to do their best.

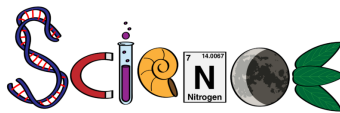
We would like to thank all staff and parents in their help towards the SATs.

Children in Year 1 have their Phonics tests when we return after half term, while children in Year 4 have their online Multiplication Challenges.

RSE Lessons

Next half term, pupils in Years 4-6 will be taking part in the sex and relationships education part of our PSHE curriculum. A parents meeting has been arranged on **Friday 10th June at 2:45** so we can share all of the relevant information with you. A letter with the date and key information will be coming home next week.

Curriculum Corner



Science has changed our lives and is vital to the world's future. At Stourport Primary, we value Science and aim for our children to develop a healthy curiosity for the natural world and its place in the universe around them.

Reception

In Rainbow, we have been looking at how things grow and using our observation skills to see how they change. We have looked at plants and flowers, sea monkeys, and the most exciting of all, getting to see our chicks hatch from eggs.



Year 1

Our topic this half term has been Tails, Talons and Teeth. We have looked at animals from around the world and animals closer to home, such as the pets we might own. We were visited by The Dogs' Trust, who taught us how to look after our beloved pets. In Science, we have learnt lots of new vocabulary and found out how we would classify animals considering what they would eat and their individual characteristics.

Year 2



Year 2 have looked at the topic 'Living Things and Their Habitats' in Science. The children have investigated what habitats animals might live in and why they would live there. Year 2 have worked together to produce their own habitats for woodlice – making sure they have everything they need to survive.

Year 3

In science, Year 3 have been learning all about plants. We have learnt to identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants. We have explored and investigated what plants need for life and growth, such as air, water, light, nutrients from soils and room to grow and how these vary from plant to plant. We also used our 'working scientifically' skills to investigate how much water plants need.

Year 4

This half term, we have started to learn about Electricity: about safe uses for electricity and the various ways it is stored. We will be constructing electrical circuits and seeing that manipulating different components changes the overall working of circuits.

Year 5

We have revisited two topics: 'Properties of Materials' and 'Earth & Space'. Our focus has been to use the knowledge we learned earlier in the year to plan and undertake various investigations, including: making and observing reversible solutions and researching our Moon.



Year 6

Year 6 have been studying Light this term. We have learned about the functions of the eye, how light enters the eye and how we see. We have carried out a shadow investigation to try show how the distance an object is from a light source changes the size of a shadow.

Kindness

Respect

Musicians of the Caribbean

On Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th April Nursery to Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Steel Drum workshops with Gareth Hughes from Severn Arts. The children joined in with listening and singing activities as well as performing on the steel drums, percussion instruments, body and shoe percussion! Throughout the sessions the children worked alongside a range of traditional songs that originated from the Caribbean!



Down on the Farm



Year 1 had a magical time at Ray's Farm. We explored the Mythical Woods where we saw magical wooden sculptures along the way and even sat in a Giant's chair! We met lots of amazing animals from donkeys and pigs to owls and reindeer. It was lots of fun stroking and cuddling friendly rabbits, guinea pigs and baby goats. We learnt all about how to take care of these amazing animals. It was a wonderful experience that we will never forget!

PE Post

During their PE lessons this term we have taken advantage of the good weather and have been developing our athletics skills.

Pupils in Year 2 and 4 have attended an introduction to cricket festival at Stourport Cricket Club working on their bowling, batting and catching skills. Year 5 pupils have taken part in an Indoor Athletics Festival, moving through different activities exploring the different disciplines of: running, jumping and throwing. We have also had a Year 6 team take part in a dryland Concept Rowing Competition at Stourport Rowing Club with a great team performance. We are thrilled that our we claimed 2nd place in the girls' event and 4th in the boys'.



We are looking forward to a range of events at the end of May and more in the last half of the summer term such as Orienteering, Trigolf as well as our champion Boccia team representing the Wyre Forest School at the School Summer Games. In addition to this, who can forget the Commonwealth Games coming to Birmingham this summer. To help celebrate this, each school in the Trust will hold their own Commonwealth Games activities. Some children will have the opportunity to work with children from our other schools at the Athletics Club.

We are delighted to see how well extra-curricular activities have started off this term—and look forward to growing this next year. We know that whichever club the children belong to, it helps develop their team work, communication and problem solving skills, whilst instilling a sense of commitment by attending every week.



Last week, Year 5 had an amazing time taking part in a cycling proficiency course run by *Bikeability*. During their three days of training, they all took part in three sessions: the first was an introductory session on the MUGA, designed to teach basic proficiency skills. For the second and third sessions, the children and their instructors moved onto the road, where they had the opportunity to practise these skills at junctions and roads around school.

This course not only gave the children valuable experience of cycling on the road in their local area, but was thoroughly enjoyed by all who took part. The children represented the school admirably and will be awarded a certificate and badge for their achievements. Well done Year 5!



The School Council have been all things groovy this half term as they help plan towards organising the school disco! Yes the rumours are true, school discos are back and set to be better than ever. This will take place on **Thursday 26th May** 3:30-4:45 for Rainbow and KS1, and 5:00-6:15 for KS2. **Please sign up on Parent Pay** by Wednesday 25th May if your child wishes to 'Dance the Night Away'

The school council's next challenges will be helping to organise the Jubilee Celebrations and the first Summer Fair since 2019!

Honesty

Teamwork



My name is Jade and I am the New SOS Manager. We run Breakfast Club (7.30 – 8.40) and After School Club (3.20 – 5.45) where children have different opportunities to play and be creative. We support independence by children serving up their breakfast and tidying away after themselves.

After school children can join in with creative activities, construction and outdoor play. We like to follow their interests and ensure they are given plenty of choice. The last week of half term, we will be hosting a bikes and scooters night, games nights and having a party for the Queen's Jubilee.

BUDDING ARTISTS

Are you a budding artist? Have you got any art work to share? Do you want a golden token?

If the answer is yes to all these questions then please get your adult to send a piece of your artwork to office@stourportprimary.worcs.sch.uk and your masterpiece could feature on next month's newsletter!

I can't wait to see your creations!

Miss Ward



Eco Club

Eco club are gardening and tidying up the area by the school pond.

We need seeds and plants. We would really appreciate any donations you may have.

Thank you—Mrs Collins

Attendance

During April **183 children were in school every day!** Well done—you can see your names on a lovely new 100% Attendance Display in the main corridor.

Attendance Ladder



Upcoming Events

May

Platinum Jubilee Celebration Week - 23rd May
 Year 4 & 6 Cricket Festival - 24th May
 Year 5 & 6 Girls Cricket Festival - 25th May
 School Disco - 26th May
 Year 3 & 4 Trigolf Festival - 27th May
 Half Term - 30th May—6th June - *School Reopens on Tuesday 7th June*

June

Safety Week - 7th-10th June
 Year 5 Big Sing - 8th June
 Year 6 Houses of Parliament Visit - 8th June
 STEM Careers Day - 9th June
 KS2 Tennis Event - 10th June
 Science Week - 13-17th June
 Fathers' Day Lunch - 17th June
 Rising 5's Parents Afternoon—21st June
 KS2 Athletics Festival - 24th June
 Summer Fair—24th June

July

Rising 5's Stay and Play Mornings—4th—6th July
 KS1 Striking and Fielding Festival - 1st July
 KS2 Rounders Festival - 1st July
 Year 6 Stourport High School Transition Days - 4th & 5th July
 SAET Commonwealth Games - 8th July
 Rainbow Music Festival - 12th July
 Year 6 Production—12th July (1:30pm) & 13th July (1:30 and 6:00pm)
 Year 6 Leavers' Assembly—19th July

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

