



Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Photographs on Social Media



Media



With Christmas plays upon us, please may we remind parents that if you take photographs in school and another child appears in that photograph, you **must not** publish that photo on any social media site. Thank you to all parents who observe this policy.

CAR PARKING

Unfortunately we continue to receive complaints about cars blocking driveways such as this people carrier seen parked today, Friday. We are in close liaison with the police which resulted in a Traffic Warden visit this week.



Streetsbrook Value of the Term



Happiness



DIARY DATES

Tuesday 12th

- Year 3 children from Sharmans Cross visiting to watch our KS1 Christmas Performance
- Last Football Session

Wednesday 13th

- KS1 Christmas Production – Dress Rehearsal

Thursday 14th

- Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch 
- KS1 Christmas Production - Dovehouse Theatre 6.15pm

Friday 15th

- KS1 Christmas Production - Dovehouse Theatre 1.15pm
- Childcare & Nursery Christmas parties

Monday 18th

- PM – KS1 Christmas Parties – children to bring party clothes in a bag, also 1 bag of sweets to enjoy!

Tuesday 19 December – Last Day of Term



BLACKWELL ADVENTURE

Year 2 Residential Trip

2018

Deposit Reminder

Deposit payments of £20 are required by Friday 15 December. Please make your payment to secure your child's place on the Residential Trip next Summer!

ParentPay

Please can we ask you to check that your ParentPay account has the most up to date mobile phone number recorded. In cases where school may close, we will be looking to send out SMS messages as well as emails.



WE NEED YOUR VOTE

The Streetsbrook choir performed amazingly this week both in Mell Square on Monday and in Touchwood on Thursday. The Touchwood performance is part of a competition where the winning school receives £1000, so please take the time to vote - it would be much appreciated! Please pass this link onto your friends and family – thank you!

<https://touchwoodsoliuhull.co.uk/whats-new/school-choir-competition>



Nursery & Reception Photos

The Nursery photos from the Christmas Performance are now available for you to order from the website. Please see separate letter for username and password.



If you are missing any items, please check the lost property basket, located in the Main Reception. Any items still in the box on **Tuesday 16 January** will be donated to Bag2School. Thank you

Bag2School



Our next collection will be 17 January 2018. Please start to gather any bits and bobs to fill your bag. Bags will be sent home before the end of term. Thank you.

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) – have your say!

Solihull Council would like to hear your views on a draft Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) which will help ensure residents have good access to local pharmacy (chemist) services. This is a follow-up consultation from a survey carried out in September asking for people's views on pharmacy services in Solihull. The draft PNA looks at the current provision of pharmaceutical services across Solihull and whether they meet the current and future needs of residents, identifying any potential gaps in services. NHS England will use the PNA when making decisions regarding applications for new or changes to, existing pharmaceutical services. It will also be used by NHS England, Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Solihull Council to inform their commissioning of local pharmaceutical services.

The draft PNA has been put together on behalf of Solihull Health and Wellbeing Board using the analysis of local health needs, local information, intelligence, and surveys with the public and pharmacies.

Please read the draft PNA and share your views by completing a short survey <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MSFWKPD>

The closing date for the consultation is **Monday 22 January 2018**. Your answers will be used to inform the final PNA which will be ready for publication by 1 April 2018.



RECEPTION

Wow what a wonderful Christmas production! Well done everyone, you were all stars! Thank you to everyone who came to watch and gave us such an appreciative audience.



We will carry on our Christmas celebrations with our Reception Christmas Party on Monday 18th December. We would appreciate it if all children could make a small contribution to the party food and drink on the day. Please see your child's book bag for specific information. If there are any parents who are willing to help at the party please talk to a member of staff. Thank you in advance.



Our learning this week has had a Christmas focus. In literacy the children have been writing their Christmas cards as well as hearing a range of themed stories. In maths we have used ordinal numbers to position Santa's reindeer and worked with a two pan balance to sort presents according to their weight. The children have also been getting creative using a range of papers to make their very own Christmas elf.

YEAR 2

We had a lovely time watching the Year 3 Christmas production at Sharmans Cross, with the children really enjoying the performance in what for many will be their future school!



On the subject of performing, thanks to all those in Year 1 & 2 who performed at our two choir performances in Mell Square and Touchwood respectively.

Both sets of children did so well and we are always grateful for the support. For Touchwood, please remember to vote for our school at;

<https://touchwoodsoliuhull.co.uk/whats-new/school-choir-competition>

Please ensure any remaining costumes are in school in a named bag by Monday at the latest. We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas productions!

YEAR 1

This week in Maths the children have been learning about the names of 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. Why not see if the children can tell you any of the 2D and 3D shape names? On Tuesday we went on our Journey to the Stable at St James' Church to participate in lots of fun nativity activities. In English, we then wrote a recount about our visit and the activities that we had done.



Since 1st December, we have had a special visitor in our classes, an elf from the North Pole who reports back to Father Christmas every night to tell him about all of the things we have been doing! Maybe you could see if the children can tell you some of the elf's hiding places?

Next week sees our Christmas performances; tickets are coming out today!

Sadly, on Thursday we say goodbye to our students - we wish them all the best for the future and thank them for their super support this term.

NURSERY

Thank you so much to all the grown-ups who came along to support us in our first ever nativity performance. The children loved singing, dancing and acting for you and the staff couldn't be more proud of them! Their hard work truly paid off and together they all managed to create a fantastic show.

Next week the Nursery goes back to relative normality, with a focus on 'winter'. We will be looking at ordering numbers and making sure we know our numeric values. We will also be exploring Art and Design by making advent calendars.



On Friday we will have our Early Years Foundation Stage Christmas party with a visit from a very special guest.

PLEA: If anyone knows of any Jolly Gentlemen who would like to volunteer to be our Special Guest **On Friday 15 December**, Please let the office know asap!



Streetsbrook Childcare



In Little Stars this week we have been exploring different textures. We had lots of fun with our chocolate play dough and our sensory trough that was filled with tinsel.



Rockets children have been exploring our Winter Wonderland activities, making marks in the snow and playing with the trains. All of the children enjoyed singing the Christmas songs during our Christmas performance and thank you to all mums, dads, aunties, uncles and grandparents for coming. We are sad to say 'goodbye' to Mrs Gardner who is leaving us next week for pastures new. A huge and very sincere Thank you to Mrs Gardner for all her hard work in Childcare - she will be very much missed.



Mrs Gardner would like to say;
*"it's been a pleasure to work with all the amazing Childcare children and staff.
Best wishes for the future - you are all stars!"*

