



# Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Streetsbrook Value of the Term

# Desire to Learn

## MONTHLY ATTENDANCE AWARD

### DECEMBER 2017



Well done to 1S for winning the monthly Attendance Award with an amazing.....

# 98.7%

R1	91.4%
R2	95.6%
1D	97.6%
1S	98.7%
2A	95.9%
2F	94.8%

## DIARY DATES



### JANUARY

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>

7.00pm – PTA Meeting – ALL WELCOME!

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Educaid Assembly – 2.30pm

Governor's Childcare Committee Meeting – 5.30pm

### FEBRUARY

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>

School Council Safeguarding Committee – 12.00pm

Governor's Finance Committee Meeting – 5.30pm

## Autumn 2017 Attendance

As mentioned in the Termly Newsletter, attendance letters are being sent home today to those parents whose children's attendance percentage has fallen below our school target of 97%, and is nearing or beneath the figure we consider needing improvement. This exercise is undertaken regularly in line with our Attendance Policy. Attending school regularly and on time has a positive impact on learning, progress and therefore the best life chances for pupils. Research shows that attendance and punctuality are the single most important factors in school success. For these reasons, we are fully committed to working with you and your child in raising attendance.



Be a School Governor



We have Governor vacancies. If you are interested in becoming a school governor, [click here](#) for information

We currently have two vacancies on our Governing Body. We are actively looking for people who have a background of Resource Management /Planning to compliment the skills set of the current board.



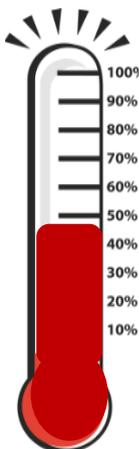
We have a confirmed case of head lice in school, therefore we recommend that all parents check their child's head this weekend.

We would appreciate parents letting us know if they do find head lice so we can work with all parents to eradicate the problem. Please do not feel ashamed to report this to us, our School Nurse has sent us the link below which provides some valuable information and further advice about treatment. 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

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## Voluntary Contributions Thermometer



As of today our thermometer stands at **48%** - nearly half way there!

These funds are used to pay for all the wonderful enrichment activities that take place in school.

# THANK YOU

## SICKNESS & DIARRHOEA



Please be reminded that if your child is absent from school due to Sickness and/or Diarrhoea, you are required to keep them off school for 48 hours following the last episode. This is guidance from the Health Protection Agency and is in place to ensure that the spread of infection is minimised. Thank you.

## DVD Club



Unfortunately due to poor uptake it has been decided that DVD Club will no longer run. Thank you to all those who have enjoyed and supported this facility and a special thank you to the parents that have helped to run it on a weekly basis.

## YEAR 1

This week in our English lessons we have been learning about the features of non-fiction books. We have even started to create our own non-fiction fact sheets on either a Siberian Tiger or a Giant Panda. Please could you reinforce the key differences between fiction and non-fiction texts at home and if you could find out about any other endangered animals that would be brilliant!

In Maths, we have been learning how to count forwards and backwards in 2s, 5s and 10s within 40. The skill of counting backwards has proven quite tricky this week for many children, so it would be really beneficial if you could practise at home. Next week, we will be recapping number bonds and related subtraction facts within 20.



In our science lessons this week, we have been learning to name and describe the purpose of different body parts. We have also started to talk about what is meant by a 'healthy lifestyle' and why it is important.

As mentioned in the termly newsletter, we have two new student Teachers with us in Year 1. Miss Hill will be working in 1S and will be here until the end of the year. Miss White will be working in 1D and will be with us until the Easter holidays.

## YEAR 2

We visited the Council House this week, including entering the Mayor's parlour and asking him a range of questions to do with our topic of 'Making a Difference'. The children were very grown up to have the confidence in asking the questions within the Council House chambers and we all had a really enjoyable time.

Next week's homework has been emailed to you separately, and will involve designing a recycled outfit for our upcoming Trashion Show. In-depth details will follow within the homework, and we look forward to seeing some of the creative, reusable designs that will be created.

## Streetsbrook Childcare

Welcome back to Little Stars and Rockets new and existing families. Our children have been settling back in and learning about different shapes through lots of activities. Rockets have now started swimming again and as you can see they are having great fun! Just a little reminder if you haven't already brought in/emailed a family picture for our displays, please can you do this. Next week children will be using different Technology including interactive white boards in the ICT suite.



## RECEPTION

Reception had a really exciting start to the week when they enjoyed their WOW starter morning using the story Whatever Next! by Jill Murphy. We had to use our imagination to put on our 'space helmets' before travelling to the moon in our 'rockets'. Once we arrived we had a picnic just like the story. Yum! After this we had the chance to record what we had seen on our journey to the moon.



The children really enjoyed the morning and let their imaginations take them 'out of this world'.

Following on from our adventure, the children used their phonics to re tell the story of Whatever Next! using our story telling language including first, next, after and finally.



The children demonstrated fantastic perseverance and are now beginning to write more complex sentences featuring capital letters and finger spaces. Please encourage your child to have a go at independently writing a range of sentences at home. For example, 'At the weekend I went to the park. After I had a snack'.

Our Maths focus this week has been subtraction. The children have had a go at reading and solving subtraction based problems as well as demonstrating their depth of knowledge to help Miss Maths with the following statement. 'When you subtract the answer is more. Am I right?'

Next week we will be designing and building our spacecraft. We would also be very grateful for any donations of clean 'junk' for junk modelling (nothing that has contained nuts please) for example, small tubs, tubes, bottles and boxes will be particularly useful.

Just a reminder that we need a minimum of 3 helpers for swimming each week so please sign up through the 'Swimming' link if you can. Thank you.

## NURSERY

What a SUPER week we have had in Nursery! The children had an amazing time on Friday during our superhero 'wow' day. We went all over the school solving clues left by Dr. Freeze and were able to rescue our frozen heroes by applying our learning from our Science class about melting. Next week we will be continuing to learn all about 'people who help us' by exploring the roles of doctors and vets, and by learning through play in our outdoor fire station.

A massive 'thank you' to all of the grown-ups who have volunteered to help the children with swimming. We couldn't be more pleased with how they have taken to their new lessons and we simply could not have done it without your help! Don't forget to keep sending in your 'parents observations'.



Your input really helps us to create a full picture of the children's development and ability. Thank you again to those parents who continue to send them in. Team Nursery!