



# Streetsbrook Infant & Early Years Academy

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Streetsbrook Value of the Term

# Love & Respect



Last week we were fortunate enough to have 2 'Life Ready' visits. The children in Year 2 received a very interesting Life Ready encounter from Mr Hemes. Mr Hemes is a Chartered Engineer and came in to talk to the children about his job. He talked to the children about the day in the life of a Chartered Engineer and explained how Chartered Engineers develop answers to engineering problems using new or existing technologies in creative and innovative ways. Mr Hemes emphasised how most of our school's Life Ready Skills are important to be a successful Chartered Engineer and the children even had their own hands on experience at solving a problem; just like Mr Hemes does!



The children were shown what happens to an Easter egg when dropped from height- it broke! The children then had to work in small teams to design and create a helmet to support the egg during the fall and stop it from breaking. The children loved this activity and it really helped them to understand the importance of working as a team when solving problems!

The children loved having their creations tested and evaluating them. The children have truly been inspired by your talk and practical activity and we are extremely grateful for all of your hard work put into helping the children truly understand what your job might be like. Thank you Mr Hemes!



Miss Smith, Life Ready Lead

### Diary Dates



<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	2C Blackwell Residential 3.15-4.15pm - Multi Sports Club
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	2C Blackwell Residential 12-12.30pm - School Council Meeting 1.15-3.00pm - 1S Forest School 3.15-4.45pm - Football Club
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	2C Blackwell Residential AM - Rock Steady Band Practise
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	1.15-3.00pm - 1F Forest School 3.15-4.15pm - Gym Club
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	3.15-4.15pm - Dance Club



We have had a complaint from a neighbour this week about inconsiderate double parking on Prospect Grange. Can we please remind you to park legally, safely and to not double park. Thank you.



### Uniform Supplies

**Tesco Uniform has changed to 'My Clothing'. You can still access this via the following link;**

<https://myclothing.com/streetsbrook-infant-early-years-academy/18032.school>

### Coming Soon..... Nursery Lunch Club

During Summer Term 2 we will be offering a 'Lunch Club' to our current Nursery children.

This is a great way to introduce your child to school lunches ahead of them starting in Reception. It runs from 11.45am -12.15pm and costs £4.60 to include a school lunch. Sessions can be booked on an adhoc basis however, please note that spaces are limited. Please email [childcare@streetsbrook.solihull.sch.uk](mailto:childcare@streetsbrook.solihull.sch.uk) to book up!



### Donations

If anyone has any Board Games they no longer use, Childcare would be very grateful of them for After School Club. Thank you.



**WE'RE HIRING!**

We currently have 2 vacancies available. Please visit our website for further information.



**EducAidAfrica**



**Mini Marathon** - Please can we remind you to return your sponsorship forms and any money collected by **Friday 17 May**. Thank you.



36th  
**KNOWLE FUN RUN**  
Arden Academy, Knowle

5k - 1 lap  
10k - 2 laps  
FUN RUN & KIDS runs

19th May 2019

Organised by **LIONS CLUB**  
Help raise funds for **THE UK SEPSIS TRUST** & local causes

Sign up NOW  
[www.knowlefunrun.org.uk](http://www.knowlefunrun.org.uk)  
Arden Academy, Knowle, Solihull



**School Nurse Drop in session:**  
Tuesday 18 June  
at 2.30-3.15pm



Our next Bag 2 School collection will be on **22 May**. All bags to be in the Outside Classroom by 9am. Extra bags are available from the office. Thank you!

## RECEPTION

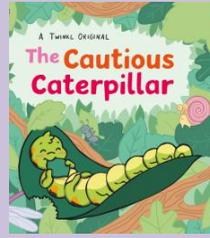
We've had another busy week in Reception! The children completed some wonderful work on Wednesday's 'Castle Day', which focused on different castles and the kind of things/people that you might find in and around them. Lots of the work will be shown on the display in our Entrance Hall in a few weeks time, so keep your eyes peeled! The new topic includes a 'fabulous finale' on **Wednesday 22nd May**, during which we will be having our own topic themed banquet. We will be having a special medieval style meal for our lunch, which will be a little later than usual, and then a ball with entertainment afterwards. As with any banquet or ball, we would like the children to dress for the occasion and therefore we will be inviting the children to come to school dressed to impress! They may choose to wear a topic themed outfit, such as a knight, a member of royalty, dragon, jester, fairy.. or if they prefer some 'party clothes'. Should you have any queries about this then please feel free to speak to a member of the Reception team. We hope that you have a good weekend!



## NURSERY UPDATE

Following on from last week when we explored 'All things bright and beautiful', this week we have been learning about 'All Creatures Great and Small.' In Maths we have looked at sizes and different ways of grouping objects. In D&T we have designed and created our very own creatures out of recycling. We have also been practising our Phonics and strengthening our fine motor skills through our dough-disco!

We have also been thinking a lot about 'change' and 'being brave.' We have been discussing that it's "okay to feel scared" and sometimes we have to be "a little bit brave." Please see the story attached called The Cautious Caterpillar, which we have been reading with the children to reinforce the messages of bravery and positive change.



## YEAR 1



This week in Year 1 we have been reading the traditional tale of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

Throughout the week we have discussed good and bad characters, made a plan of the story and independently rewritten the story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

All the teachers are extremely proud of the progress the children have made so far with their writing. Keep it up everyone!

We have also started our D&T topic of 'Dips and Dippers'. The children have tasted and evaluated a range of dips including Guacamole, Thousand Island and Hummus. Our topic will continue next week with the children evaluating a range of 'dippers' which the children are very excited about!

We have also begun our rehearsals for our year group assembly taking place on Friday 24 May at 10.15am. Please check your child's book bag for lines and costume requirements. Do let us know if there are any issues as we are always happy to help.

## YEAR 2



We have had a very busy week this week in Year 2 completing some of our 'Bonkers Booklets'! The children have all worked so hard and we are extremely proud of them. Well done everybody! This week we have continued with our work on 'Traction Man' and the children have had great fun creating their own villains for the story. We had an exciting day on Tuesday when the children had to search in the messy bowl for kitchen items. They then had to think of an alliterative name for the item to create a villain.



In Art we have been learning about the work of Joan Miro. The children really enjoyed creating surrealist pictures last week and then this week making surrealist sculptures. Next week we will be painting them, so make some room

on your mantelpiece!

In Music this week we have been using the instruments to create and copy patterns. We've also been learning some new songs. Lastly, in Science we have been learning about life cycles. We also looked at animals and their basic needs. Next week we will move onto learning about animals in Africa. If any children want to bring in any information books on animals you are very welcome. Reminder: next week 2C are going to Blackwell from Monday to Wednesday. Fingers crossed for good weather! Well done for a great week Year 2!

## Streetsbrook Childcare



This week the children have enjoyed listening to the story 'Owl Babies' and taking part in different activities relating to the story. We have been looking for owls in the woodland area and comparing different sized owls. We have also enjoyed using our physical skills to move in different ways when acting like an owl. Next week we will be focusing on the Gruffalo where we will be making our own Gruffalo crumble! If you have the story at home, please read it to the children in preparation for next week. Thank you.

The sign of the week next week is mouse. Also just to make you aware we have a confirmed case of head lice in Childcare this week. Please check your child's hair and treat as appropriate.



Minutes from our recent Parent Partnership Meeting are now available to view via the website - [click here](#).

