



## Messages from the Head Teacher

It has been a wonderful afternoon welcoming all the wonderful women from our children's families into school. It was lovely to see so many of you joining us and celebrating together. We hope you all have a lovely Mother's Day weekend and enjoy some special time with your families.

It has been a very busy week in school. Our children have been working exceptionally hard to apply all of their learning while completing their assessments this week. We are very proud of the effort, focus and determination they have shown.

Alongside this, the children have been developing their creative skills during our Design and Technology week, taking part in a range of exciting hands-on activities across the school. Year 1 and Year 2 have been learning sewing skills and have created some fantastic sock puppets and pencil cases. Year 3 and Year 4 have been exploring levers and gears, using these mechanisms to design pop-up picture books and moving playground models. Whilst Year 5 and Year 6 have been developing their culinary skills, making delicious pitta breads and tzatziki. All children followed the design, build evaluate process and have showed great perseverance throughout the week. It has been wonderful to see the creativity, teamwork and enthusiasm shown by all the children throughout the week.

In Reception, children have been reading the story of *Handa's Surprise*. They have produced some beautiful writing, tasted all of the fruits that Handa carries in the story, and even created their own fruit kebabs during Forest School. It has been a wonderful way for the children to explore the story through writing, tasting and outdoor learning.

Over the next couple of weeks, children will be visiting our local library to further develop their love of reading. Dates for upcoming visits are on the reverse and these will take place during the school day for approximately one hour. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

On Monday in March, we will be holding a Spring Disco. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will have their disco from 3.15–4.15pm (children are welcome to bring a change of clothes into school on the day—and let your child's teacher know in the morning that they are staying for the disco). Years 3–6 will have their disco from 4.30–5.30pm. Entrance to the disco is £2 per child and includes pick 'n' mix sweets and drinks. Please pay on the door.

We are also pleased to share that Stretton will be hosting a HAF Holiday Camp over the Easter holidays. The days will be packed with fun games and activities, and children will also receive a hot meal. If you would like your child to attend, please scan the QR code on the reverse of this newsletter to book your place.

## Notices

### 20 Day attendance Challenge!!

We have set the children a challenge today to be in school every day for the next 20 days! If they are in every day on the last day before Easter there will be a super fun inflatable reward!

After two weeks we have seen a huge increase in our attendance with whole school attendance this week being 94.7% this week.

Well Done Everyone!

### Stretton Stars

Reception	Shanae	★
Year 1	Aadhya	
Year 2	Alba & Kyra	
Year 3	Lacey	
Year 4	Jackson	★
Year 5	Thea	
Year 6	Marco	★



## Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Monday 16th March	School Disco R/1/2 3.15-4.15pm Y3-6 4.30-5.30pm £2 entry
Monday 16th March	Year 2 Library Visit
Wednesday 18th March	Year 5 Church Visit
Monday 23rd March	Year 6 Trip to RSC Stratford
Wednesday 25th March	Year 1 Church Visit
Friday 20th March	Year 3 Library Visit
Tuesday 24th March	Year 6 Visit to Warwick University
Thursday 26th March	Year 4 Trip to Botanical Gardens
Friday 27th March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Easter Holiday	Monday 30th March—Friday 10th April
Monday 13th April	Teacher Training Day