



Weekly Newsletter

Stoke Prior First School

22nd June 2023

Last week, Toby and Alannah from Year 4 were invited to take part in a Worcestershire wide STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) competition held in Worcester. The children had already achieved a win during an in-school workshop earlier in the year and as a result were selected to go forward. The competition involved around 20 pupils shortlisted from nearly 3500 who took part in the classroom session, and Alannah and Toby were the youngest taking part with all other pupils being from years 5 and 6.

The brief was to design and build a demonstration model of a 3 tier racking system capable of holding a particular size box, and a system to pick the box from the shelf and move it 130mm away. The entire model had to fit within the area of an A3 sheet of paper. They had 60 minutes to do this. Not easy!

Judges from Arrow Excel delivery, VAX and Yamazaki Mazak (the hosts) moved around the schools making notes, observing the pupils working and asking questions. Both Alannah and Toby spoke confidently and enthusiastically with each judge answering every question put to them. At the end of the 60 minutes Alannah and Toby had delivered on every part of the brief. Both children really enjoyed the experience and we are really proud of them for going. Well done!

Thanks also to Toby and Alannah's parents for taking them to the event.

Last Friday's Sports Day was a superb success. We were really pleased with how well the children did with the events as well as our new way of doing things. The children were definitely more active and really enjoyed the competition. As always there does have to be a winner and on the day this was the yellow team. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend and share in the event and also for your help in ensuring that parking was not an issue to local residents.

There are some amazing photos online [here](#).



We welcomed the parents and carers of our new Reception class for September this week and it was lovely to meet them all and share what will happen over the coming months. There is no change to the teaching staff for September with the exception of a name change.

Reception Class – Miss Bowen (formally Ms Field)

Year 1 – Mrs Berrow and Mrs Bullock

Year 2 – Mrs Warren (Maternity cover for Miss Mather)

Year 3 – Mrs Anderson and Mrs David

Year 4 – Mr Roberts and Mrs David

Mr L Satchwell



Well done!
Rainbow Assembly



There was no Rainbow Assembly last week due to Sports Day.



Week at a glance

Monday 26/06	Art & Craft Club – 3:15-4:30pm Year 4 Flute lessons continue
Tuesday 27/06	Year 4 to AFMS Matilda performance Athletics Club – 3:15-4:15pm
Wednesday 28/06	Lego Club – 3:15-4:15pm Dance Club – 3:15-4:15pm Bellboating Club Y4 – 4:00-5:00pm (Upton Warren)
Thursday 29/06	Forest School Year R and Year 2 Football Club – 3:15-4:15pm Martial Arts Club – 3:15-4:15pm
Friday 30/06	Summer Outdoor Day Violin lessons continue Year 3 and Year 4 Cheerleading Club – 3:15-4:20pm

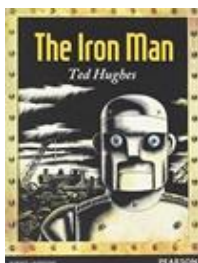
Further Ahead:

Year 4 Flute Concert at Baptist Church – 5:45pm 03/07
Big Field Festival – 3:15-4:45pm 04/07 (see letter sent today)
Non-uniform day for PTA raffle donations – 07/07
Year 4 Flute concert in school – 2:30pm 10/07 (see letter sent today)

Class Four News

In Year 4 we have been continuing our topic work about the human body. We have been finding out about which nutrients different foods have in them and how much we should be eating as part of a healthy diet. We have also been interested to find out about different kinds of skeletons in animals such as dogs, crabs and jellyfish.

We are enjoying reading The Iron Man and have been writing our own Iron Man stories using the writing style of the author, Ted Hughes.



Year 4 have worked very hard practising our times tables and we have had lots of battles on Times Table Rockstars which have been great fun and really helped us to learn our tables off by heart.

This week we took part in 'The Big Sing' which is run by Severn Arts. We were invited to learn and sing some songs at the Worcester University Arena along with other schools. The songs all had a powerful message about change and the environment and included four part rounds and harmonies. It was a really uplifting event.

Reminders

- Mondays YR to come to school in PE kit
- Mondays Y4 to bring Flutes into school
- Wednesdays and Thursdays Y1 to come to school in PE kit
- Wraparound and lunch bookings close at 1pm on Thursday for the following week.



Summer Outdoor Day

Friday 30th June

Non-uniform with sun cream applied at home, sun hat and waterproof coat (if necessary) and spare shoes in a named bag.



Summer Fete

Friday 14th July @ 3:15pm

Raffle tickets have come home today in children's bags. Please request any extras or return any unsold to the office.

Art inspired by time

A reminder that there is a fantastic exhibition of artwork from schools and community groups from all over Worcestershire, on display at Worcester Cathedral until Sunday 2nd July, including a piece of art from Stoke Prior First School.

Young Voices New Visions is a display of different pieces all created in response to the 2023 theme 'Time', and entry is FREE! Our submission is a large collaborative piece of art featuring circular prints from all year groups, which come together to form a giant 2D sand-timer. Thank you to Mrs Berrow for her hard work putting this piece together. Why not go and have a look!

