



Stradbroke CE Primary School



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Happy New Year!

We hope that you had a lovely, restful Christmas and are ready for the new term! We have already got a lot of exciting things planned for this year so please make a note of the dates on the back of the newsletter and we will keep you updated on all upcoming events.

Please remember that we encourage open communication between yourselves and the school and, although we will have formal Parents Evening in the Spring term, you are always welcome to discuss your child's progress or any other queries or issues with your child's class teacher or myself and we will do our very best to respond to work with you to resolve any problems.

Our Value this half term is... Respect

Learning Snapshots

We are really pleased to have put some more Learning Snapshot dates in the diary (see dates below!) to welcome parents and carers into lessons to give you an idea of what different curriculum lessons look like. We hope these are useful and invite as many of you as possible to come along and see the structure of lessons and strategies we use in teaching and learning. Due to these being classroom based lessons, unfortunately we cannot facilitate siblings being in school.



My Choir Rocks

Thank you to Mr Syed for sharing this wonderful photo collage showing Stradbroke children representing our school brilliantly and performing at various My Choir Rocks events throughout last year. Over and since last summer, they have performed at First Light, Sotterly Fair, Beccles Carnival, Gorleston Clifftop, MauiWauai and others. They performed at the Christmas Lights in Lowestoft and at the My Choir Christmas Show at the East Point Pavilion. A huge well done to all the children for participating and also a big thank you to Mr Syed for all that he does developing music opportunities for children at Stradbroke!

Guided Reading

Just a quick note to let you know that we are making a slight change to how we teach Guided Reading with children in Key Stage 2 now reading whole books rather than extracts. There will also be a greater focus on discussion and enjoying reading. Staff are excited to implement this change and we are confident it will have a positive impact on the reading culture in our school.

Events this half term:

Be Bright Be Seen Day (17th Jan)—wear your brightest clothing to school to show the importance of 'being seen' at this time of year.

NSPCC Number Day (7th Feb)—non-school uniform day with an emphasis on numbers to raise awareness of the important work that the NSPCC do.

Safer Internet Day (11th Feb)—each class will focus activities on staying safe and inspiring change online.

Learning Snapshots (11th Feb)—Science in EYFS and KS1, History in KS2.

School Closures

Just a reminder that in the event of severe weather conditions or in the case of exceptional circumstances, we will always endeavour to inform you, as early as possible, using our text messaging service if school will be closed. If you believe that the details we hold for you need updating, please do let the school office know as soon as possible. Also, please ensure your child brings a coat into school everyday so they are suitably dressed for all weathers! During this cold weather, we are more than happy for children to wear plain black boots as part of the school uniform.

Pick Up and Drop Off

Just a reminder the morning drop off window is 8:40–8:50am with the gate being closed promptly at 8:50am for morning registration. If you arrive after 8:50am, please come to the side entrance so your child can be signed in. Arrival after 8:50am will result in your child being given a Late mark (L). Arrival after the registers have closed at 9:05am will result in your child being given an Unauthorised absence mark (U). Please can I also remind you not to park on the yellow lines outside school between 8am–4:30pm for safety reasons. Thank you!

Mrs Hannah Hunt, Head of School, Stradbroke Primary School

Spring Term 2025 Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th January	- Children return to school
Wednesday 8th January	- Venus start swimming
Friday 17th January	- Be Bright Be Seen Day
Thursday 6th February	- New Reception Intake morning, 9:15-10:15am
Friday 7th February	- NSPCC Number Day
Tuesday 11th February	- Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 11th February	- EYFS & KS1 Science Learning Snapshot, 2:15—3:15pm, parents welcome
Tuesday 11th February	- KS2 History Learning Snapshot, 2:15—3:15pm, parents welcome
Tuesday 11th February	- SATs Parents Meeting, 4:30pm
Friday 14th February	- Last day in school

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February - HALF TERM

Monday 24th February	- Children back to school
Wednesday 26th February	- Mars start swimming
Tuesday 4th March	- Parents Evening, 2pm-7pm
Thursday 6th March	- World Book Day—parent assembly, 2:45pm, all welcome
Tuesday 11th March	- New Reception Intake morning—9:15—10:15am
Friday 21st March	- Red Nose Day
Thursday 3rd April	- Easter Service @ All Saints', Stradbroke, 1:45pm, all welcome
	- Last Day of Term

Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April —EASTER HOLIDAYS

Tuesday 22nd April	- Staff PD Day
Wednesday 23rd April	- Children back to school