



STRETTON SUGWAS BEE

Newsletter – Friday 17th January 2020

**Happy Birthday to
Isaac R. Finley D. Imogen S. & Frankie R.**

Dear parents and carers,

I know I often say... 'what a busy week we've had'...but it I actually think this has been! The school was a buzz of activity on Wednesday with the Interschool Debating Competition taking place at school. A number of schools joined us and it was great to see so many other schools around and everyone representing their schools so well. Read about the winners overleaf. Also yesterday, I was lucky enough to go on another Young Voices trip (our 4th) and it was fantastic as always. A big thank you to Mrs Gardner and a huge thank you to Miss Turner for helping out and organizing the trip...I think the parents enjoyed it too! Please look at our Twitter feed to see some of the videos.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Alex Davies

Bees of The Week



Sienna – a truly amazing week of hard work in and out of the classroom...well done!

Isaac - for working super hard this week, including designing a beautiful castle.



Taryn – for showing grit and determination during the debating competition.



Harvey – for fantastic contributions to our RE discussions this week.

Logan – for working so hard with his reading to sound out and blend.



This half term's Christian Value is –Perseverance





Hereford Inter Schools Debating Competition

We had a great day this Wednesday hosting the Hereford Inter Schools Debating Competition! Teams from Ledbury, Wellington, Trinity, Burghill, Lord Scudamore and Broadlands schools all attended. There were some fantastic debating skills from all involved, and we are really pleased to say that our very own Stretton Sugwas Academy teams A & B battled it out against each other in the final with Stretton team A being crowned overall winners again for the third year running! Well done to all involved and thank you to the pupils in both of our teams that put in so much effort and practice in the run up to the competition. It just goes to show how much preparation can help!



Peer Mediators

Some of our Year 5 children have completed their Peer Mediator training this week, and are now ready to begin mediating, alongside our existing Year 6 Peer Mediators.

We now have some very bright jackets for them all to wear when they are on duty in the playground so that children know who to approach if they need a mediator to talk to.



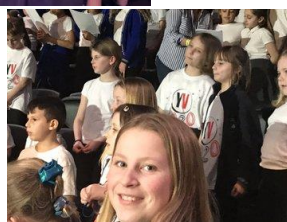
Young Voices

There are a few tired faces in school today as our Young Voices Choir took part in this year's Young Voices Concert in Birmingham last night.

This was the fourth year that we have taken part in the event and it certainly didn't disappoint. The audience were, once again, wowed by an amazing performance from the thousands of children taking part. For the second year running, we had Tony Hadley as one of the guest artists, which was a treat, especially for some of the Stretton parents in the audience who got to shake his hand!

Thank you to all of the Stretton children that took part and have been attending weekly rehearsals since September. The children's excitement and enthusiasm about the event always makes the hard work worth it.

We are looking forward to next year already!



The book fair will be returning to school on **Monday 27th January – Wednesday 29th January**. Please come along and take a look around.

Diary Dates

Wed 22nd Jan

Football Tournament at Lucton

Mon 27th – Wed 29th January
Scholastic Book Fair

Mon 17th – Fri 21st February
Half Term Holiday

Mon 6th – Friday 17th April
Easter Holiday

Fri 8th May
May Bank Holiday

Mon 25th – Fri 29th May
Half Term Holiday