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The newsletter of Stretton Sugwas Church of England Academy

"Each bee plays a part in the hive." inspired by 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 "Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ."

To strive to help everyone discover and use their gifts as part of a team, we encourage them to "bee"long, "bee"lieve and "bee"have.

How has the team been working together th



It's been great to hear all the wonderful progress that your children have made in class. I was privileged to have many conversations with people at parents evenings whilst I was putting up a display in the foyer. We all share the same aims in wanting the best for our children and I personally felt it was a very positive evening with lots of successes to share.

Mr Davies- Executive Headteacher

February has been a month filled with kindness and teamwork. I've been witness to random acts of kindness week, where children have secretly placed treats and kind messages in other children's bags or trays. The good news is that I see acts of kindness happening every day in school. It's such a loving place to be and it's no surprise that the "kindness jar" always has a few names in it every assembly time. If your child does kind things at home, let us know and we can celebrate them in the newsletter. Mr Ford- Head of School

When I've been parking.. well, my mum, there's been trouble parking. Maybe we could arrange some children could tell parents where the "no zones" are. Maybe us and the BTeam could go out and do this.

Harry and Mylo-School Councillors





The Sports Leader Award is going well. We had the idea after going to a Young Leader Conference at Cathedral School. It was cool and we played games as well as talked about ideas. We thought the award in assembly was a good idea. Charlie and Harvey-Sports Leaders

Everything is going well in the yard. Children are being very kind. I went to a Sports Leader event to talk about looking after people in the yard. Lots of children listened and it felt great.

Everyone should feel part of our team. Marley and Tilly- Beekeepers



Feedback from parents evenings has been overwhelmingly positive with many comments about the honesty, positivity and the depth of information given about their child's progress. We're delighted to have this feedback and it was wonderful to have some children join in with the parents evenings too. A child's education is truly a team effort.

### Diary Dates

Thursday 9th March Vision Screening—Reception

Thursday 16th March Phonics Workshop—Year 1 Parents (More details to follow)

Friday 17th March Comic Relief (More details to follow)

Tuesday 21st March Trip to Caerleon—Queen and Worker Bees

Thursday 23rd March Trip to the Courtyard—Queen and Worker Bees

Wednesday 29th March Easter Experience Hereford Cathedral-Worker Bees

Thursday 30th March Easter Experience Hereford Cathedral—Queen Bees

> Friday 31st March Last Day of Term

Monday 17th April First Day of Term



#### Happy Birthday



Congratulations to: Alba, Toby S, Louis G, Elsie, Jacob D, Sebastian, Maggie-May, Ellie, Margot, Lucas, Paige.

## "Bee"lieve — What skills have we seen this month?

Images taken by members of the BUZZERS tech team



New Bees-Willow for being fantastic in

every possible way! Bumbles- Maisie for trying so hard in all areas of your learning.

Busies- Alice for always being such a wonderful role model and always being such a kind friend.

Honies-Logan for always giving 100% and producing some fantastic work.

Queens- Hugo for showing maturity whilst settling football disputes at playtime.

Workers-Charlie for great attitudes to work, 100% effort and super behaviour in the playground. helper.



New Bees—Amelie for setting a good example with her excellent behaviour and always working hard.

Bumbles- Jack for being such a caring member of the class who is kind to all.

Busies- Louis for being such a lovely Busy Bee and always being a kind friend.

Honies- Freddie for fantastic work in Maths! Queens- Buddy for being Queen Bees Champion. Workers- Katie for an amazing week, model pupil all round for work and effort.

BeeKeepers—Logan or generally being kind in the yard.



New Bees Effie for always trying her best.

Bumbles- Max for always trying your best.

Busies- Esmae for working so hard on your spelling and reading this term.

Honies-Dan for really improving his story writing and using paragraphs.

Queens- Lullah for super writing and always being a great role model.

Workers- Harry for being the extra special ingredient in the Debate Team.



BeeKeepers Award

Lottie for looking out for other people and caring.

Mya for looking out for other people even though they aren't your friend.

Edie for looking out for other people.

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# Around The Hive

Articles written by members of the Story Swarm team





#### EYFS News

Written by Lily-Jayde and Mya

Every Wednesday morning Mr Ford has been taking the puppets to visit the New-Bees to greet them and give them a smile on their face.

Keep your eyes peeled for more puppets around the school to help with learning.



### Key Stage 1 News

Written by Lily W and Seren

We were going a walk for two miles and looking to see what was on our checklist. We were looking for things like...what makes you happy, what you like to smell and other things like that. We went to Forest Schools and were doing an egg hunt with our names in. We couldn't find Leo's egg.



#### Key Stage 2 News

Written by Paige

The Sports Leaders and Tilly (from the Beekeepers) were doing some sports-related activities at Hereford Cathedral School to help them get better at refereeing and leading games in the yard

yard.
They spoke about ideas to make playground games better. They also spoke about ideas to help children get sportier.

They all spoke very well and had a good day out. The Sports Leaders were the only children to get to present to a hall full of other schools. Well done!



#### Debaters Win Trophy

Written by James

Harry, Mia, Summer, Bella, Emma and Adam went to do a Debating Competition against other primary schools at Trinity. They had to debate about issues such as "should we pay kids to go to school" and "should households have pets". The Stretton team won and came runners-up too. We've won for the sixth year in a row. Well done!

# "Bee"have — What else is important for our team this month?



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#### Want To Advertise?

If you would like to advertise your business in the school newsletter or on our social media account, please get in touch. The school council would love to help and strike a deal.

# Can You Help?

The children have various projects and ideas. They need help with:

- LEGO—any unwanted sets will be used by our STEM team
- Science equipment- posters, books, models...you name it
- Bar stools- we are looking to have a reading bar in our library for children to enjoy books
- Chalks- our swarm team are always looking for creative playground equipment

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What's The Buzz?





Congratulations

Well done to Dottie, Olive and Lullah who competed in a Gymnastics Winter Wonderland Competition and won 9 medals between them. Go Team Haase!!!

Well done to Kiah and Olivia who also competed in the Winter Wonderland completion and won 5 medals between them. Well done girls.

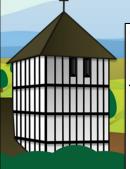
Well done Amelia for achieving your blue belt at Little Dragons Martial Arts.

Partnerschool News Written by Alba and Megan Global Gang were talking to

Pakistan on the screen and saying hello in different languages. The Workers and Queens were talking to the USA (Atlanta) at lunchtime. It was really nice to talk to everyone.



St Mary Magdalene Church, Stretton Sugwas, 01432 761821



Our friends at Stretton Sugwas church would like to make you aware of the following events:

The first Sunday of every month is a family service at 10am.

Everyone welcome.

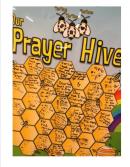
Contact Rev Dr Phill Brown for more details.

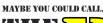
### Time To Reflect

Written by Hugo

The picture shows honeycombs all connected and is called the Prayer Hive. People write a wish or a prayer or something on it. If they want to,

they could draw their dreams, prayers and reflections on there too. My hope is for Man Utd to win the league.







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#### And Finally...

The School of Kindness have been in touch with us, impressed by our attempts to promote kindness across Stretton. Check out their website <a href="https://www.schoolofkindness.org">www.schoolofkindness.org</a> to join their Kindness Club, where you can help others and win prizes too.

## Next month's theme is Women's History Month



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