

# Stroud Valley Community School Newsletter



**"Reading for pleasure is the single most important indicator of a child's future success." OECD 2002**

Our latest initiative here at Stroud Valley Community Primary School has us buzzing about books. We all know that reading is important: it's educational, it helps us learn and grow, but it should also be fun, full of excitement, intrigue and adventure. Alongside the Open University, we will be focusing on the joy that reading can bring by focusing on "Reading for Pleasure."

Reading for Pleasure is oriented towards:

Children choosing to read

Creating lifelong readers

Child ownership

The reader's own choice

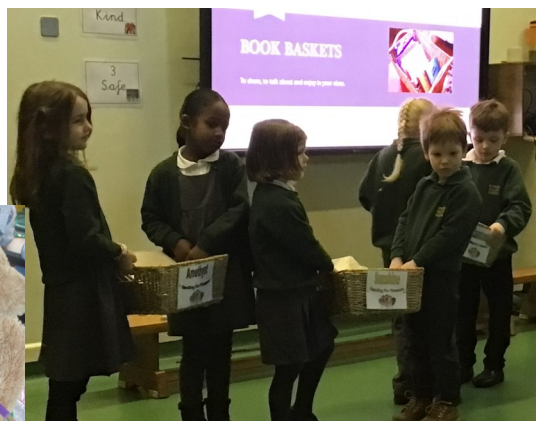
As a school, we are aiming to build a community of readers who want to read and share that enthusiasm with those around them. Whether it's a novel, non-fiction, comic book or magazine, it's proven that engaging in reading has a profoundly positive impact on a child's future.

In a whole school assembly this week, we launched our new initiative by chatting about why we read and what types of books we enjoy reading. The adults of SVCPS shared what they love most about reading. Reading can be learning about new things, experiencing a wealth of different characters, places or emotions or escaping to new worlds. Even making treasured reading memories with a loved one.

Going forward, we will be setting out time in the school day for book talk sessions- an opportunity to read and talk about the books we've been enjoying- and we kicked this off with unwrapping our book baskets: a selection of new books for each class!

Together we hope to grow our positive culture, "Reading for Pleasure" is about reading in any and all its forms.

If you have any questions or queries about the Reading for Pleasure initiative please contact Mrs Butter, our Reading Lead or any member of the Reading Change Team. Mrs Gardiner, Mrs R.T, Miss Haines, Mrs D.B and Mr Pearson.



19th January 2024  
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## Dates for your diary

	January
15th	After school activity clubs start this week
24th	Amber, Diamond & Ruby to Slimbridge
25th	Young Voices
	February
1st	Sunshine class visit to 'Nuff Said'
7th	Amethyst & Amber Eddie The penguin Performance 2pm
8th	Rainbow Class visit to 'Nuff Said'
8th	Amethyst & Amber Eddie The Penguin performance
9th	Last day of Term 3



A big well done to this term's TOP doodlers. Each term we look at the top doodler from each class and they get a certificate. This is a super maths programme tailored to your child's maths needs. What this space for each week's top doodler!

## COUNTRY DANCE FESTIVAL

The Stroud Country Dance Festival is now back up and running after a short break. Mr & Mrs Ward are starting a country dance club for KS2 on Tuesdays 3.15pm-4.15pm.

Our rehearsals will start on Tuesday 23rd January. We are awaiting confirmation for the Festival dates but it will either be 7th or 14th March at Stratford Park.

If you child wants to take part please email the office by next Wednesday 24th January.

## LOOSE ROOF TILE

At present, there is no access to the back playground for parents due to a loose roof tile. If you normally collect your child from this area, please continue to collect your child from the school hall. Please do not go any further along the path. We're awaiting a visit to have this fixed.

# PTFA

### 100 CLUB:

There is still time to sign up to THE 100 CLUB. It's a great chance to raise money for the school; and win some extra money for the family. We run from January-July, the cost is £2 so a total of £14.

If you would like to choose a number please email

[stroudvalleyptfa@gmail.com](mailto:stroudvalleyptfa@gmail.com)

For more info, and how to pay, please either email us, or see the newsletter dated 22/12/23

### RAFFLE/TOMBOLA:

The PTFA are already planning ways to help raise money for the school. We would appreciate any unwanted gifts/items for our upcoming events. If you would like to donate, you may leave

### P.E.

Please can you ensure your child has a PE kit with them ready for their PE days. You can see this information on our school website under your child's class name. Thank you

### A Warm Welcome to Morag

Welcome to Morag Cartwright who is going to be our new secretary from Monday. :)