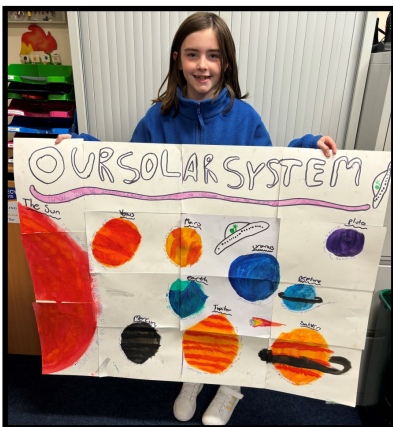




Take a peek at some of our Year 5/6 students self portraits.



See some of our student's out of school achievements.



See our amazing visit from Author and illustrator James Mayhew

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the close of another term at Staverton Primary, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful journey we've all been on. The children have truly impressed us with their hard work, enthusiasm, and resilience. Each day, they demonstrate not only their capacity for learning but also their creativity, kindness, and determination. We've had so many special moments this term that have made us proud of every child's progress and achievements.

At Staverton, we believe in being a school *without walls or ceilings*, where there are no limits to what our children can achieve. Our approach is about nurturing their potential, inspiring curiosity, and ensuring that every child feels supported to grow and flourish. We strive to create an environment where dreams are encouraged and learning is boundless. As always, our door is open, and we are here for you and your children.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our incredible staff. Their dedication, passion and hard work make Staverton the thriving, supportive community that it is. They go above and beyond each day to ensure that your children feel valued, challenged, and cared for.

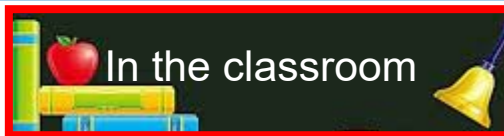
Finally, thank you to all of you - our parents and carers - for being an essential part of our school community. It is through our strong partnership that we continue to create a nurturing, vibrant school where every child can succeed.

Warm regards,

Mr Powe  
Headteacher  
Staverton Primary School



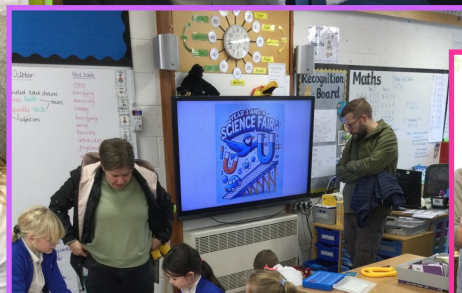
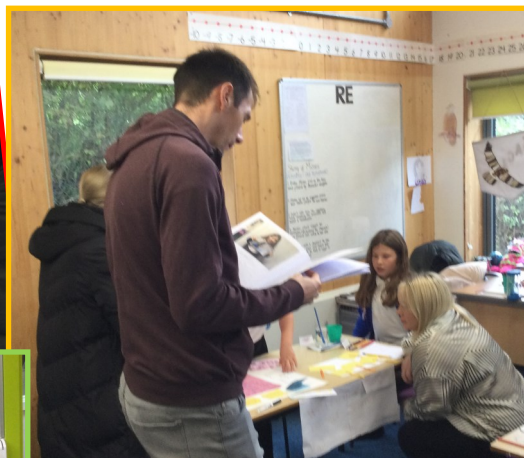




We've had some musical excitement going on this term. We have been awarded a first access music grant from Wiltshire Music Connect which pays a subsidy towards whole class instrument lessons. Our Year 3 children enjoyed learning how to play the Glockenspiel and Year 4 will have their first set of lessons after half term.



Thank you to all the parents and carers who supported us by coming to our science fair. The children loved being able to share what they had been learning.





## In the classroom

This term, our Year 5 and 6 children were learning about portraits and symbolism for their art project. As part of this, they had to draw a self portrait where they finished off half a photo of themselves. They have created something amazing and it makes the walls up by the classrooms look wonderful.





# Art Week

This final week of term has been Art Week and we have had the absolute privilege of having a visit from author and illustrator James Mayhew. He has guided the children through creating an incredible wall mural for our school hall, so we have a memory of this week that we can keep forever. Below are just a few little snaps of what has gone on.





## Poetry Week

After the success and positive feedback we had last year, our Year 5 and 6 children wrote poems and delivered them to local residents as part of our poetry week celebration. The children put so much effort in to writing and decorating their poems, which our head and deputy-head students then hand delivered.

The feedback we got from the people that received them was lovely, with many saying they had cheered them up and brightened up some difficult days.

As ever, we are immensely proud of our Staverton children.



## Student Spotlight

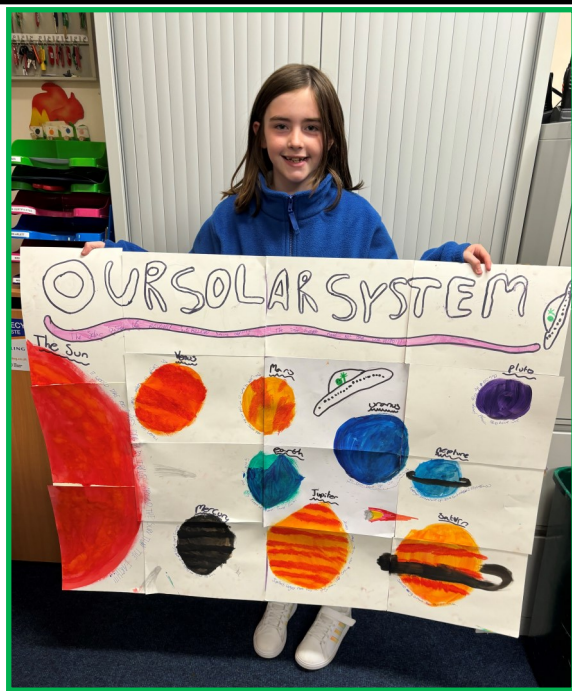
Another lovely collection of things children have been achieving outside of school. We love seeing what extra curricular activities our students get up to, so please continue to send them in. We hope you enjoy seeing them as much as us!

Congratulations to one of our Year 5 children who is a bit of a Tennis super-star.

He had a great Summer of Tennis and was on court hitting a ball everyday!

He won 9U Singles at Wincanton and Marshfield. Has played and did really well at Cheddar and New Milton. He was also part of a team of 4 that represented Trowbridge Westbourne Tennis Club and played in a Wiltshire Team Tennis event at Salisbury. Trowbridge won beating teams from Devizes, Chippenham, Salisbury, Pewsey and Downton.

We are super proud of everything you are achieving - keep up the amazing work!



A moment of appreciation for one of our year 5 students, who created this solar system masterpiece at home and brought it in to show us.

We love seeing what you get up to at home as much as at school, so if you ever create something lovely that you would like to share please bring it in to us!

We love hearing what our students are getting up to outside of school and anything they are achieving. If they would like to be featured in the Staverton bell, please email [l.adley@staverton.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:l.adley@staverton.wilts.sch.uk)



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Contact: [benseph@msn.com](mailto:benseph@msn.com)

Phone: 0791 306 0808



# Dates for the Diary

Monday 4th November

First day of term

Tuesday 5th November

Individual and sibling school photos

Tuesday 5th November

2025 new Reception starter tours  
2pm and 5pm

Friday 8th November

Staverton Remembrance service

Tuesday 12th November

RAGS2RICHES clothing collection

Tuesday 12th November

2025 new Reception starter tours  
2pm and 5pm

Friday 15th November

Children In Need

Tuesday 19th November

2025 new Reception starter tours  
2pm and 5pm

Saturday 30th November

FOSS Christmas Fete

Tuesday 10th December

Robins class Nativity

Wednesday 11th December

KS1 Nativity

Wednesday 18th December

Christmas lunch

Thursday 19th December

Last Day of Term

Friday 20th December

INSET Day

**Please see the link on the school website and the online calendar for any additional dates/changes to dates**

## New Reception places

Thank you to those who have already joined us for tours of the school for reception. Do you have a child due to start school in September 2025 who would like to join our Robins class? Then we would love to hear from you! The deadline for application to the local authority is the 15th January.

**Please get in touch if you would like to visit us and talk to one of the team.**

**EVERY DAY IS AN OPEN DAY!**



## A moment to reflect...

### *Autumn Prayer*

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.  
As we embrace these autumn months,  
May the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest.  
May the crunch of the leaves beneath our feet remind us of the brevity of this earthly life.  
May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us your breath of life.  
May the scurrying of the squirrels and the migration of the birds remind us that you call us to follow your will.  
We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.  
Amen.