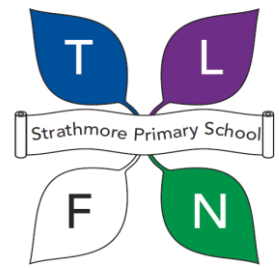


# Happy News

Strathmore P.S

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## Strathmore's Got Talent

Excitement is building at Strathmore Primary School for Strathmore's Got Talent! The House Captains have been very busy organising and setting up auditions and getting everything ready for the show, which takes place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Congratulations to everyone who got through to the final, but there were so many great acts that it was very hard to pick. Well done everyone for your amazing auditions as well as being brave and giving it a go! The House Captains all hope that you enjoy the show!

## Hot Chocolate Friday

This session at Strathmore Primary we are all very excited because of Hot Chocolate Friday. Hot Chocolate Friday is a reward for people who have been going **ABOVE AND BEYOND** in their behaviour and been following our rules: Be Ready, Respectful, and Safe. At Hot Chocolate Friday you get to speak to Mrs. Garnes about your good choices whilst enjoying a delicious hot chocolate with marshmallows. It is a lovely reward and it recognises people's good choices and encourages more good behaviour.

## Welcome

Welcome to the second edition of Happy News. This is a newsletter made to share all of the great things going on in Strathmore to our wider community. It can be read via email, on the school website, or on the Parent Council and school FaceBook page. If you have any great news or achievements you would like shared, in the next edition, please put it in the Happy News suggestion box which is located at the main office.

Enjoy!



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## Local Walk of the Month: Balgavies Loch.

Balgavies Loch is a Scottish Wildlife Trust site. It is a lovely walk around a mile long situated just 4 miles outside of Forfar on the road to Friockheim. Half of the walk is on grassy tracks and the other half is a concrete path. Both paths run right beside the stunning waters. If you are going to do the walk, then please be aware that cattle graze on parts of the path at certain times of the year. Also, because it is a nature reserve, no dogs are allowed. On the way back to Forfar you can stop off at Murton Nature Reserve (as mentioned last month) where you can enjoy a lovely lunch or cake at the Tearoom for a reasonable price.

## Learning Website of the Month: Mathsframe.

This is a new feature to Happy News this month and I hope you all find it very useful. This was a suggestion from a class teacher and I thought it was a very good idea. I hope you can all use the websites that I suggest at home on P.C.s, tablets, iPads or smartphones. I chose Mathsframe this month because it was one that I hadn't heard of until recently. It has lots of good games such as mini golf and football shootouts where you answer questions to get more accuracy on your shots. It has loads more games as well. I hope you enjoy this website.



## Strathmore Foodbank

As most of you will know, the House Captains are running a foodbank this year. We recently received some very generous donations from Asda. Our foodbank trolley at the main office empties very quickly so if you could please bring in a donation for the foodbank such as long-life cans and baby food as it would be greatly appreciated. \*Some foodbanks are also looking for chocolatey treats in the run up to Christmas as some families would miss out on this opportunity otherwise.\*

## Book Of The Month: When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr.

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit is a true story about Judith Kerr's own childhood and how it was affected, and in a way stolen by the Nazis in her home country Germany. It is a very interesting read. It also ties in with some class' topics this term, World War 2. Ages 9+





## Christmas Show

This year, Strathmore's Christmas shows will be held at 1:30 pm on both Tuesday 17th December and Wednesday 18th December. Each class will be busy in the coming weeks preparing a performance to do in the show. It is great fun for all of the classes, organising and practising a performance to show everyone on the day. A letter went out recently with a form attached to buy tickets. This year tickets will cost £2:00 per person.

## Christmas Fayre

Strathmore Primary's annual Christmas Fayre, will be held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December this year. All of the classes will be working really hard to produce a wonderful selection of products for the community to come in and browse and buy. It is a great opportunity to raise money for the school whilst rewarding children's hard work.

## Toilet-Twinning

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November it was World Toilet-Twinning Day. World Toilet-Twinning Day is when a luckier place that has toilets would pay for a toilet to get built in places that are maybe not as lucky as we are here. To mark the occasion, East and Old church very kindly paid for Strathmore to be twinned with a toilet block in a school in Malawi. A big thank you to East and Old church and we hope it can make a difference to people's lives.



**Please be sure to drop by at our festive events in the coming weeks!**

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