



Newsletter

'Love the lord your God with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with all your mind.'



Love your neighbour as yourself.
Matthew 22:39

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Our Christian Value for
January is - Trust



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another new term. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year. All the staff would like to thank you for the gifts we received for Christmas.

We welcome our two new members of staff, Mrs Findlay and Mrs Bray. They both bring a wealth of experience to our school and I know they will enjoy being part of the Stanion team. Mrs Findlay will teach Monday to Thursday and Mrs Bray will cover Fridays in Year 3/4. I know they are both looking forward to getting to know the children and they have a lot of exciting lessons planned for Golden Eagle Class.

School Clubs

Mrs Drew has worked hard to ensure before and after school club leaflets have been sent out. We have spare leaflets in the office should you need one. The school is funding a limited number of places for the archery/fencing club on a Tuesday and the netball club on a Thursday. Please also remember we offer a breakfast club for children that starts at 8am. This club is proving to be invaluable for our working parents and is priced competitively compared to other local school clubs.

September 2018 Admissions

Can we remind parents of children who will be starting school in Foundation Stage in September 2018 that you need to apply to the Local Authority for a place online at www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/admissions by, 15th January 2018. Applications received after this date will be considered as a late application, by which time your preferred schools may be full.



Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day was a success and we raised £108.80 for Save the Children. Once again, thank you all for your support with our charity fundraising. I'm always amazed at how much we raise for good causes.



Musical Instrument Tuition

We have 1 space available for brass and 1 space for strings. If your child is interested in playing a musical instrument, please speak to Mrs Early in the school office. Lessons cost £50 per full term.

Northamptonshire Music School

On Saturday 20th January all the Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust Saturday morning Centres are offering a FREE TASTER SESSION to any child/family interested in finding out what's on offer at their local centre. No experience is needed, and you don't need to be able to play an instrument to go along. Check out www.NMPAT.co.uk/centres to find your nearest centre, and what goes on there!

If drama is your thing you can also try out our County Youth Theatre www.NMPAT.co.uk/youththeatre. Why not go along and see if NMPAT is for you? www.facebook.com/nmpat www.twitter.com/NMPATTrust #NMPATrust



Diary Dates

Wednesday 17 th January at 8:40am	Walk to School morning from Stanion Village Hall
Thursday 18 th January at 6:15pm	Stanion PTA meeting, all welcome
Thursday 25 th January	Year 5/6 Sportshall Athletics at Lodge Park
Wednesday 7 th February at 3:30pm to 5:30pm	Parent Consultations
Thursday 8 th February at 4pm to 7pm	Parent Consultations
Friday 9 th February	School closes for half-term
Monday 19 th February	School reopens for children



Merit Badge Awards

The following children have been working exceptionally hard in class and have achieved their merit awards.

Bronze Award (50 Merits): Jack G, Aria L-M, Jayden B, Antonia P, Evie C, Jody S, Eleanor N, Alex W, Kai J, Oliver T, Darcey B, Codie-Rae H, Kirat G, Alessandro C, Henry B



Awards and Certificates outside of school

Kaia D	Shotokan Karate Association – 6 th Kyu Intermediate
Roemi P	Bronze Ribbon Award – Violin
Isla B	Bronze Ribbon Award – Violin
Grace M	Bronze Ribbon Award – Violin
Imogen H	Learn to Swim Award – Level 4
Imogen H	Outstanding Achievement Award – Gymnastics
Noah S	Football – Player of the Week
Mikey S	English Karate Organisation – 8 th Kyu, Red Belt

Class News



Reception Class

Kestrel Class have settled back to work well after the holiday. This week we have based our literacy and creative activities on the story 'The Bear's Winter House'. We have been writing instructions and rules. We had a great time building our own model winter houses for toy animals.



In maths this week we have been comparing and ordering numbers to 20. We have been doing lots of counting in 1's, 2's and 10's.

In phonics we have learnt the sounds 'ng' and 'nk'.

In science we have been looking at winter weather, what it's like and which hats are the best for cold winter days or wet days.

In R.E. we have been thinking about how we can work together to make sure we can safeguard life on earth.

Year 1/2

This week we have been learning about the Queen. We know that she lives in Buckingham Palace. We made a family tree and thought about who would be our next monarch. In Literacy we learned the story of Grandad's Island. We used commas in a list, adverbs and checked our capital letters and full stops. In art we made a picture of Grandad's Island. In Maths we recalled our number bonds to 10, 20 and 100, then we practised finding the inverse. We also learned about which countries make up the Union flag. In RE we thought about new year resolutions and how these can help us to be better people.

Class news was written by Keeva, Sophia, Olivia and Isabelle.

Year 3/4

In Golden Eagle Class this week we have begun looking at persuasive writing and studying the key features of a letter inviting an author into school. The children have researched their chosen author and begun to find key facts to include within their own writing. In Maths we have been consolidating our understanding of written methods for addition and subtraction and applying this to our problem solving. In topic we have begun to look into our new topic of The Normans. The children have been studying pictures to gather information on who the Normans were and have begun to timeline where the Norman period fits into British history. In DT we carried out research (including a taste test) into our favourite biscuits ready for the children to begin planning their own biscuit recipes. In RE we have continued our Christianity in Action topic and discussed the key theme of responsibility.

Year 5/6

This week, in Red Kite class, we have been beginning to write adventure stories set in the rain forest. In maths, we have been solving problems with fractions and finding common denominators. We have investigated what happens when we multiply and divide whole numbers by fractions. In ICT,

we have begun designing our own surveys, using Google forms, so that we can develop our app ideas. In science, we have investigated the importance of classification and found out about the different vertebrate groups and their characteristics. In RE, we have researched the special books from different religions and in geography, we have looked at the different continents and oceans.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones