



Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

“Love your neighbour as yourself.” (Matthew 12:31)

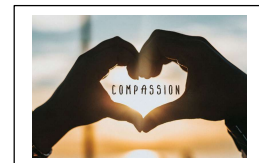
Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



‘I delight to do Your will, my God; Your instruction lives within me.’
Psalm 40:8

Issue 5 – Friday 15th November 2024

Our Christian Value for the Autumn Term 2 is –
Compassion



Dear Parents and Carers

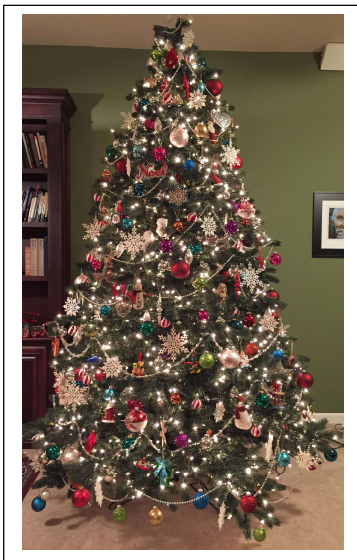
Welcome back to another half term in school.

This is always a busy half term but one of our favourites in the lead up to Christmas. As the weather turns colder, please remember to send your child to school with appropriate clothing including a coat, hat and gloves. We look forward to working with you over the coming weeks.

A gentle reminder that individual school photographs have been rescheduled and will now be on Thursday, 21st November

PTFA Music Bingo – Friday, 15th November at 6pm

We hope to see you all at the Music Bingo event tonight, 6pm at Stanion Village Hall. This is a fun family event which the PTFA have worked hard to organise for our families. Tickets can be bought on the night for £2 a game and the bar will be open. You are welcome to bring your own buffet/snacks if you have not pre-ordered the chips meal. Please join us and support the school. As ever, our thanks to all the PTFA for all your hard work in planning these events for our families.



St Peter’s Church, Stanion – Christmas Tree Festival

The church work closely with the school and would like to invite you to our **Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 23rd November 2024** from 10.00am - 4pm at the Church on the High Street,

There will be refreshments, craft stalls, card stall, biscuit decorating, tombola, raffle, water or wine stall, guess the weight of the cake, preloved stall and more all amongst the beautifully decorated trees. **There will also be a colouring competition in 3 categories. 5 and under. 6-10 and 11+.** We provide the colouring sheet for each age group. **The pictures can be picked up from the school or from the church at the All Age Service on Sunday 17th November at 11.30am or from a box outside 14 Willow Lane, Stanion.**

Please bring your competition entry to the church on the day of the festival between 10.00am and 12noon for judging with your child’s name, age and contact details of a parent/carer on the back. Free to enter. Good Luck. See you there.



Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)

Friday, 15th November 6pm

Thursday, 21st November

Thursday, 5th December

Friday, 13th December

Friday, 13th December (am)

Tuesday, 17th December, 2pm

Wednesday, 18th December, 2pm

Wednesday, 18th December, 6pm

Friday, 20th December

Monday, 6th January 2025

Tuesday, 7th January 2025

PTFA Music Bingo event at Stanion Village Hall

Individual school photographs (updated date change)

Year 5/6 trip to Holdenby House

Christmas Dinner Day – Love Food

Christmas Pantomime at Kettering Lighthouse Theatre

Rec and KS1 Christmas Nativity

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KS2 Carol Service in church

Children break up for Christmas holidays

School closed – Teacher Training Day

Children back to school



Head Teacher's Awards

The class teachers have selected the following children from this week:

Reception – Zara for being such a kind friend and for always trying hard.

Year 1 – Charlie for getting involved, putting his hand up and reading to the class.

Year 2 – Isaac for consistently working hard and setting a good example.

Year 3 – Matilda for improved confidence and independence in our Maths lessons.

Year 4 – Blake for his amazing enthusiasm in our writing about Norse gods.

Year 5 – Isla for working hard in all lessons and asking questions to further her understanding.

Year 6 – Orla for producing fantastic and well thought out pieces of writing.



Head Teacher's Awards

The class teachers have selected the following children from last week:

Reception – Clark for becoming so much more confident and making great progress.

Year 1 – Athelea for her enthusiasm for learning and increased concentration in lessons.

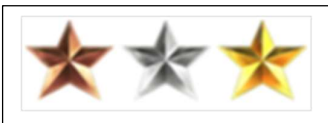
Year 2 – Elsie for always trying her best and joining in fully with all lessons.

Year 3 – Jamie-Joy for great work choosing the right homophones when writing sentences.

Year 4 – Zarah for improved fluency and editing in her writing

Year 5 – Lewis for a huge improvement in attitude towards learning this week.

Year 6 – Charlie for fantastic work in our maths and Literacy lessons.



Merit Badge Awards

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

Bronze Award (50 Merits): Nova, Stevie, Bella, Eva, Dhrishay



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	99.2%	0	1 st
Year 1/2	97.8%	1	2 nd
Year 3/4	95.8%	1	3 rd
Year 5/6	94.8%	6	4 th

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 96%, which is below our 97% target!

Please remember that holiday requests **cannot** be authorised and parents risk receiving a fixed-penalty fine from the Local Authority. The school has a statutory duty to inform the Local Authority of any holiday requests for 5 or more days. It is important that the children attend school every day to avoid falling behind their peers.

Awards and Certificates outside of school



Elsie	Swim England, Learn to Swim Award – Stage 5
Nova	Corby Gymnastics Club – x3 gold, x1 silver awards
Nova	CGA Winter Cup – silver medal
Charlie	Disney High School Musical at Corby Cube – PQA Corby
Florence	Highland Daning, Kingdom of Fife – x1 gold, x3 bronze, x1 sixth medal
Florence	Grampian Corby – x4 golds, x1 bronze and Beginner winner trophy
Florence	Highland Dancing Newcastle – x5 gold, 1 st trophy Fling, National Winner, Overall Beginner winner
Maja	Corby Gymnastics Club – x2 gold, x1 silver and CGA Winter Cup medal
Abigail	Rainbows Award – Network Stage 1 and Know Myself badges



Safeguarding and Online Safety

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our children, please contact the school and ask for Mr Jones or Mrs Findlay (Designated Safeguarding Leads).

Please read our latest Online Safety Newsletter on the school website

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Class News



Reception Class - (Kestrel)

Last week we started a short topic on 'Light and Dark' which also included finding out about the festival of Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights. We all enjoyed retelling the story of Rama and Sita, and we were very pleased with the divas we made.

This week we continued our short topic on 'Light and Dark', using the story 'Bears in the Night' as the basis for our literacy and creative activities.

In maths last week we were thinking about time; the days of the week, what we do at night and during the day, and how long a minute is. We also practiced telling o'clock times. This week we have been partitioning numbers to see how many different pairs of numbers we can find to make 5, 6, 7 and 8, e.g. $3+2=5$, $4+1=5$. We have also been practicing our counting, ordering and recognition of numbers up to 20 and beyond.

In phonics last week we were revising the sounds we have already learnt and we did lots of practice reading and writing cvc words, and this week we have learnt 'h', 'b', 'f', 'ff', 'l' and 'll'. We're getting really good at using our phonic knowledge to write words and captions.

For our science last week, we used the torches to make shadows; we found out how to make shadows bigger and smaller and we put a toy out in the sunshine so we could see how shadows change throughout the day. This week we tried making rainbows using pens, paper towels and water, we were amazed by the results.

In R.E. we have started to explore the Understanding Christianity topic of 'Incarnation', Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas? Last week we were thinking about who is the most important person in the Christmas story. This week we have been thinking about how we celebrate Jesus' birthday at Christmas.

Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

Another busy fortnight in our class with some excellent work produced! We have particularly enjoyed:

- Looking for lines of symmetry in shapes. Year 1 have also been exploring numbers to 20 in more detail and using a range of representations to make these numbers.
- We have thought about the difference between fact and fiction. We enjoyed drawing our own wolves and labelling them with interesting adjectives. We wrote lovely descriptions of wolves.
- Exploring the Christmas story using different artworks and then retelling the story in our own words.
- Playing music using notes on the Glockenspiels.
- Naming our special people and what makes us special in PSHE.
- Exploring how mosaic art is made up of squares and using grids to create our own mosaics in Computing.
- Finding out about Tulum in Mexico and describing what the features of Tulum are so that we can compare Tulum to Stanion.
- Thinking about what a new baby needs in RE in preparation for exploring the Christmas story.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Literacy, we have been reading from our book 'Odd and the frost giants' and we were learning about the Norse gods. We then researched the Norse gods before writing our own booklets about the Viking life. The children have really enjoyed applying their skills to this piece of writing.

In Maths this week, we have been focusing on our timetables. We have learnt the 4, 8, 3, 6 and 9 times tables. We have been understanding the representations that show the times tables, understanding the division facts and solving a range of problems.

We have been starting our new PE units this half term. We are learning the skills to play dodgeball and have been practicing our dodging and throwing skills. We have also started our yoga unit where we have been thinking about our breathing and how we can improve our balance and flexibility with this. In our RE this week we have been thinking Jesus calling the disciples. We learnt the term 'Fishers of men' and focused on what this means.

The children have worked really hard this week and have produced some amazing work.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

The children in Golden Eagle class have had a wonderful start back to this half term. In Literacy we have been studying the book 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret' and we have been looking at building character descriptions of the main characters as well as learning grammar such as speech punctuation. In Maths, we have begun our work on fractions and have spent time looking at equivalent fractions, simplifying fractions, converting improper fractions to mixed numbers as well as comparing and ordering fractions with different denominators - a reminder that times tables are key in helping the children to feel as confident as they can in this area! In Science we have begun our new unit of work on Earth and Space. We have researched the different planets and also thought about the evidence which tells us that the world is spherical rather than flat, as previously believed. In RE we have been enjoying learning the story of Moses. The children have been thinking about how this story teaches the terms freedom and salvation. In History we have really enjoyed continuing with our WW2 learning. We thank all of you for your support with the wonderful projects which we have looked at today and also for supporting our WW2 day in school. The children have also enjoyed learning about the 'Kindertransport' in class and what this term meant and who it affected. Our PE lessons have been lots of fun as we have begun learning about volleyball and OAA (outdoor and adventurous activities).

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team