



Newsletter

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



'Even the winds and sea obey him.'
Matthew 8:27

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Our Christian Value for
July is – Courage



Dear Parents and Carers

This will be the final newsletter of the school year and what a year it has been! It is hard to believe that next week will be our final week of term and the children will move up to their next year group. Our Year 6 children are excited about their next chapter and I know they will continue to make us all proud. We are so lucky at Stanion to have such wonderful children who work so hard and are so kind to each other. We wish all of our children the best of luck as they move into their new classes and schools.

School reports will be sent home with the children today.

Thank you for your generosity with our Lakelands Super Heroes day. We raised £180 for this wonderful charity and a goody bag was presented to Finley and Isabelle.

Well done to our school football team who have won both of their recent matches against King's Cliffe Primary and Thrapston Primary. The children were amazing and we are very proud of them all.

Staffing News

Mrs McKean and Mrs Sturgess will be swapping classes next year and both are very much looking forward to their new classes. Mrs Sturgess will support Mr Forsyth in Year 1/2 on a Tuesday to Friday with Mrs Mahon covering on a Monday. Mrs McKean will support Mr Cooper and Mrs Dalby-Bellis for four days with Mrs Mahon covering on a Wednesday. There have been no changes to our other classes.

September 2021		
Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Reception	Mrs Hankins, Mrs Leighton – Friday	Mrs Phillips
Year 1/2	Mr Forsyth	Mrs Mahon (Monday) Mrs Sturgess (Tues-Fri)
Year 3/4	Mr Cooper (Mon-Wed) Mrs Dalby-Bellis (Wed-Fri)	Mrs McKean (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) Mrs Mahon (Wed)
Year 5/6	Mrs Findlay	Mrs Bray



Diary Dates – Summer Term 2

Friday 16th July 2:15pm Year 6 Leavers for Year 6 parents (weather permitting)

Friday 16th July **School closes for the Summer Holidays**

Wednesday 1st September School closed – Teacher Training Day

Thursday 2nd September School re-opens



w/c 5 th July	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	96%	0	4 th
Year 1/2	99%	0	2 nd
Year 3/4	99.4%	1	1 st
Year 5/6	97.2%	0	3 rd

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 97%.

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.



Head Teacher's Awards

The class teachers have selected the following children from w/c 28th June:

Reception – Zarah for being such a great friend and for trying so hard to work independently;

Year 1 – Neriah for always offering valuable contributions to our class discussions;

Year 2 – Corey for always persevering in all tasks even when he finds things difficult;

Year 3 – Eleanor for excellent team work at Deene Forest;

Year 4 – Amelia for excellent map work skills at Deene Forest;

Year 5 – Imogen for a fantastic effort in all assessments and showing a brilliant attitude;

Year 6 – Haydn for confident performance and singing during rehearsals.



Head Teacher's Awards

The class teachers have selected the following children from w/c 5th July:

Reception – Daniel for always trying hard especially with maths and reading;

Year 1 – Noah for always challenging himself in all subjects;

Year 2 – Jake L for always trying hard and behaving beautifully;

Year 3 – Antonia for excellent work using digimaps in Geography;

Year 4 – Ava H for confidence when singing in class and always joining in with our music lessons;

Year 5 – Sophia for fantastic singing and organisation during production rehearsals;

Year 6 – Ebony for resilience in rehearsals – you have grown so much in confidence!



Merit Badge Awards

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

Bronze Award (50 Merits):

Silver Award (100 Merits): Arabella, Safia, Marley, Lewis, Danial, Teddy, Hope, Jack, Aria, Amelia, Alexander, Alesha

Gold Award (150 Merits): Declan, Lottie, David, Emmy, Alice, Kieran, Noah, Ted, Freddie, Sophia, Darcey, Olly, Neriah, Annabelle, Daniel, Kate, Zarah

Platinum Award (200 Merits): Gabby, Aviya, Eunice

Awards and Certificates outside of school



Esmee	Fast Phonics Award – Peak 4 and Peak 5
Esmee	Corby Gymnastics Academy – Star Gymnast Award
Esmee	Swim England – 5m Breaststroke Award
Ebony	Corby Gymnastics Academy – Star Gymnast Award
Ebony	Swim England Diving – Level 5 Award
Aviya	Swim England Learn to Swim – Stage 6
Aviya	Swim England 25m Distance Award
Kaia	Swim England Diving – Level 6 Award
Corey	Thrapston Owls Football Club – quarter finals medal



Class News

Reception Class - (Kestrel)

Last week we continued our topic on Fairy Tales and used the story 'Hansel and Gretel' as a basis for our literacy and creative activities.

This week we have used the story 'Little Red Riding Hood' as a basis for our literacy activities.

In maths last week we did lots of taking away using a number line. We also practiced telling the time to 'o'clock' and 'half past'. This week we have continued telling the time and working on recognising and adding coins. We continue to do lots of counting in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's up to 100.

Last week, in phonics we continued with Phase 5 and we have learnt the sounds 'ie' (apple pie) and 'ea' (cup of tea). This week we have learnt the sounds 'oy' (toy for a boy). We have been carrying out reading and phonics assessments and the children have all performed very well!

We continue our R.E. topic on Weddings and had a pretend wedding in school which saw Summer and Daniel getting 'married'. We have now started to think about Baptism (christenings), what happens at them and why people are baptised. We will be baptising one of our baby dolls next week!

On Thursday we had a lovely time at Deene Park. We were all very excited to go out for a trip, but everyone behaved really well and listened nicely. We found out that Little Red Riding Hood and her Granny live in the woods. We went looking for all the creatures that Red might see. We used our senses to explore the forest sights, sounds (bird songs), smells (the lime trees) and how some things feel.



Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

This week in Falcon Class we have been thinking about shapes in maths. We have been learning all about the properties of 2-D and 3-D shapes. We worked on remembering the names of all shapes and tried to focus on their properties to help us. In Literacy we have been writing all about a short film called Marshmallow. We started by describing the monster in the film using effective adverbs to describe his actions. We then started to describe the setting. We used pictures of different settings to create a word bank of adjectives to use in sentences. The children loved to use effective conjunctions to join ideas together.

In Science this week we have observed the growth of our bean plants and talk about why we thought they did or didn't grow. We then moved on to start to grow our own cress. We talked about what we thought it needed to grow where we should put the cress. In History this week we have been comparing how school lunches have changed over the years. We were amazed to find out that lunches after the war were more nutritional than lunches in the 80's. The children all thought that we were lucky, and our lunches were better as they were healthier. We loved our PE lesson this week working on striking and fielding skills. We played a game similar to rounders where the children had to catch and then throw a beanbag to score runs. The children were trying so hard to improve it was great to see! We have had a great week this week and are looking forward to our final week as a Year 1 and as a Year 2.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week we firstly focused on completing our 'How to Train a Dragon' book that we have been reading for the past term. We then produced an end of topic true or false quiz. We also completed a role-play of our favourite bit - these were brilliantly delivered with good humour in them. In Art, we looked at light and dark tones and used grids to help us with drawing Viking warriors. In ICT, we finished off our animations unit of work making some lovely, creative animations using either the Wick editor or PPT. In P.E. we completed our unit of work on athletics looking at standing long jump and long distance throwing. There were some amazing distances recorded with throws close to 30m and jumps close to 2m! In Maths, we have been focussing on problem solving. We have looked at how we identify the important information in a problem and how we can use tables and charts to work systematically. We have enjoyed investigating how the Anglo Saxons and Vikings changed Britain in History. We have explored the place names and the ruling system and how that developed. In Music, we have been listening to music from different time periods in history and comparing its sound. We have been enjoying revisiting some of the songs from the year and performing them in class. We enjoyed working on our map reading skills on our class trip last week. We had to use maps and coordinates to find trees in the woods which had symbols on them. We also enjoyed learning how to identify trees using a key. We have also had a geography day where we have been looking at how settlements are planned and designed around the natural environment and what happens when towns want to build something new. We enjoyed using Digimaps again to map our journey to school and to measure the distance. We have also continued our Spanish work, learning the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We have been learning some key words in Spanish to help us sequence the story.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

In Golden Eagle class the children have been working really hard on our production practice. We have been so impressed by their motivation to learn all of their lines and the enthusiasm they have shown for improving and making the production the best we can. We are excited to perform to the rest of the school next week and will be sending our recording home for you to all enjoy over the Summer.

We have enjoyed a wonderful trip to Deene Park and it was lovely to see the children enjoying being out in the forest and enjoying nature again. During our trip, the children showed wonderful resilience towards making nettle rope. We learnt lots of new skills and it was great to see the children working as part of a team to support each other with what was a fiddly and tricky job.

This week, the children enjoyed taking part in a Geography activity in which we used bed sheets and wool to design and make a town. The children worked hard to make a key to explain what each feature was and thought hard about what the town would need for the people living there. They worked hard as a team to discuss what they would need to do and produced some wonderful pieces of work.

Year 6 have designed their leavers assembly for next week and we are looking forward to practising this and sharing it with our Year 6 parents next week - fingers crossed for lovely weather.



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 Hankins (Designated Safeguarding Leads).

Have a good summer break when it arrives and thank you for your continued support over the past year.

Mr Jones