



Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



‘Have courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.’
Mark 6:50

Issue 3 – Friday 10th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to start the newsletter by congratulating our Year 6 children on their behaviour attending the Annual Service of Dedication and Thanksgiving for Diocesan Schools. It was a special afternoon at Peterborough Cathedral where we joined hundreds of children from our family of church schools. We listened to prayers and joined in with some hymns. The service was led by The Venerable Richard Ormston and Revd. Annabel Copeland. Our thanks to Mrs de Choisy and Mrs Allanson for supporting Mr. Jones with this memorable trip.



Harvest Festival

The children will be celebrating Harvest later today. We will be taking the children to St Peters Church in the morning for a rehearsal. We then look forward to seeing you all for our Harvest Festival this afternoon at 2:30pm in the school hall. The children will sing some harvest songs and share pictures or poems.

Thank you for your support in donating food items to Corby Food Bank.



Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)

Friday, 10 th October, 2:30pm	Harvest Festival in school
Thursday, 16 th October at 6pm	PTFA Annual General Meeting in school – all parents welcome
Friday, 17 th October	Mufti Day for charity fundraising
Tuesday, 21 st October	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Thursday, 23 rd October	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Friday, 24 th October	Children break up for half-term holidays
Monday, 3 rd November	Children back to school
Thursday, 20 th November	Individual school photographs
Tuesday, 16 th December, 2pm	Rec and Year 1&2 Christmas Nativity
Wednesday, 17 th December, 2pm	Rec and Year 1&2 Christmas Nativity
Wednesday, 17 th December, 6pm	Years 3-6 Carol Service in church
Thursday, 18 th December (am)	Christmas Pantomime at Kettering Lighthouse Theatre
Thursday, 18 th December	Love Food Christmas Dinner Day
Thursday, 18 th December	Children break up for Christmas holidays
Friday, 19th December	School closed – Teacher Training Day
Monday, 5 th January 2026	Children back to school



Smart Watch Technology

Please be advised that smart watches with a camera functionality are not permitted at school, due to safeguarding regulations.

If your child wears a smart watch without a camera, please review the notification settings within it to ensure that there is no distractions or disruptions during their school time.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Willow for being so enthusiastic to learn.

Year 1 – Arella for always listening carefully and doing her very best.

Year 2 – Noah J for his neat presentation and his hard work in all areas.

Year 3 – Polly for her brilliant listening and effort in our maths lessons.

Year 4 – Isla for her fantastic attitude and effort in all of our lessons.

Year 5 – Maja for always having such a fantastic attitude towards learning.

Year 6 – Ella for some fantastic independent writing this week, well done.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Harry for a fantastic effort in phonics including amazing blending.

Year 1 – Sabrina for her concentration and attention to detail.

Year 2 – Kelbie for his learning and carpet contributions.

Year 3 – Isaac for always challenging himself and trying his best.

Year 4 – Darcy for her amazing use of perspective to create a 3D art piece.

Year 5 – Tom for being such an enthusiastic learner in all of our subjects – you remember so much knowledge.

Year 6 – Leo for a really fantastic biography on Phillipe Petit. You worked so hard.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	99.2%	0	1 st
Year 1/2	98.7%	2	2 nd
Year 3/4	95.9%	2	3 rd
Year 5/6	95%	1	4 th

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 97%, which meets 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



Maja	Corby Gymnastics Academy – Badge 2 and medal
Finley	Player of the Match - Football trophy
Jacob	Player of the Week - Football trophy
Isla	Spinney Hill Paddocks – 2 nd place award
Charlie	Bedford Blues Juniors Mini Festival
Fletcher	Swim England, Rainbow Distance Award – 50 metres
Florence	Solway Highland Dancing – 8 years National Winner, x1 1 st and x3 3 ^{rds}
Arielle	KUMON English Programme Level B11
Lyla	Corby Swimming Club – silver medal
Kelbie	BCKA Kickboxing Award – White Belt



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, Mrs Findlay or Mr Forsyth (Designated Safeguarding Leads).

Please read our latest Online Safety Newsletter on the school website

www.stanionprimary.co.uk

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**St Peters invites you to our
Harvest Festival for All Ages**

**Sunday October 19th
at
11.30 am**

Gifts of tinned or dried food and toiletries will be welcomed (but not essential) for Corby Foodbank

Complimentary Refreshments



St Peters Church Stanion and Little Stanion

www.harpersbrookanglicans.org.uk

Class News



Reception Class - (Kestrel)

This week in Kestrel Class, we began by learning about how to keep healthy. The children discussed which foods help us stay strong and why they are good for our bodies. They also enjoyed tasting a variety of fruits, describing their flavours and sharing which were their favourites.

The children showed a great interest in combine harvesters, so we extended our learning by building one outside using construction materials. We then researched what combine harvesters do and explored the types of crops they harvest. This led to a discussion about how flour is made, and the children thoroughly enjoyed making their own bread as part of this learning journey.

In Literacy, we have been reading *The Colour Monster*. The children discussed different feelings and emotions and created their own colour monsters and feeling jars to help express how they feel.

In Maths, we have been focusing on measures, investigating length, weight, and capacity through practical activities. We are now exploring patterns, identifying them in our environment and creating our own.

Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

This week Yr1 and 2 have enjoyed:

- Creating some harvest artwork and learning the harvest songs. We enjoyed making the tissue paper collages!
- Solving problems with adding and doubling in Maths. We have been using different types of equipment and counting on to add.
- Spotting where to put full stops and capital letters in sentences for Literacy. We have been identifying verbs and the sentence subject to help us.
- Learning about the Moon Landing and why it was important to people in the 1960s in history. We found out some facts about life in the 1960s and then we watched some footage of the moon landings and found out what happened.
- Practising our kicking and receiving skills in P.E.
- Practising using a mouse and a keyboard in ICT. We have played lots of fun games to help us practise this.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Red Kite Class, we have been reading our new story 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' in our literacy lessons. We have been thinking about how to use conjunctions and prepositions within our writing to ensure our writing flows. We conducted some research on tea and will use this to help us as we write our non-chronological report all about tea.

In maths, we have been working hard on our addition and subtraction unit. We have been learning how to use written methods for addition and have used this to add four-digit numbers whilst crossing boundaries. We have learnt strategies to help us get to an answer quicker when adding multiples of ten or one hundred too.

In History, we have been learning about the city states of Athens and Sparta and how they overcame the Persian invasion. We learnt about the types of governments both states had and how they had completely different rules. This made it more impressive that they worked together to protect their country. In our PE lessons, have been thinking about attacking in both basketball and hockey and have learnt the ways to shoot and score points. In R.E we listened to the story of Abraham and his covenant with God.

The children have been working hard and are looking forward to Harvest Festival.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

In Golden Eagle class we have been really enjoying continuing with all of our learning. In Literacy we have started to study a new book called 'The Lost Thing'. The children have been enjoying exploring the characters in the book and have written some lovely pieces including lots of literacy techniques which we have been learning about. We have been impressed with their writing. In Maths we have been looking at our multiplication and division unit and the children have been thinking about the terms: factors, multiples, prime, squared and cubed numbers. We have found this a little tricky at times and so I would encourage the children to keep working hard on their times tables as this is the best way to gain confidence within this area.

In RE we have continued to think about God's Kingdom. Our KS2 worship has linked closely to this as the children have been studying different representations of what Jesus might look like - this week we have studied the work of William Johnson, and the children have produced some beautiful artwork. In History we have continued to compare the Mayans and Anglo Saxons and have been thinking about how they lived and how they were ruled. Our PSHE has focused on relationships and friendships, and the children have thought about what makes a good friend and how they can form good friendships. The children have been working hard, and we are looking forward to the last two weeks of the term.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team