



Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



‘Make Your ways known to me, LORD; teach me Your paths.
Psalm 25:4

**Issue 7 – Friday 12th
December 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers

We are all looking forward to next week, the final week of term. It has been wonderful in school listening to the Reception and Years 1&2 children rehearse for their school nativity. They sing beautifully and we look forward to sharing a new production that we have not performed before. Our production this year is called Christmas Around the World, you are going to enjoy it! Children in Key Stage 2 have been busy singing Christmas Carols for our annual church service next Wednesday. Due to limited seating in the church, this event is only for our Year 3 to 6 children and families.

Finally, thank you so much to everyone who has kindly donated to our Love Reading initiative. We hope to buy a range of new and exciting books for our library. Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year when we finally get there. School finishes on Thursday, 18th December due to a Teacher Training Day on Friday.



PTFA - Lucky Stars Draws, November and December

Thank you to everyone who has supported the PTFA with the Lucky Stars draw this year. Fifty percent of the proceeds go directly to the PTFA to support our children.

Congratulations to Mrs Holly Dunn who wins a cash prize of £27.50 with Lucky Star 22 for November.

Congratulations to Mr John Dzekedzeke who wins a cash prize of £27.50 with Lucky Star 35 for December.

Congratulations to Mrs Roopa Mistry who wins a cash prize of £27.50 with Lucky Star 50 for December.



Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)

Friday, 12th December

Friday, 12th December 3:20pm to 5pm

Tuesday, 16th December, 2pm

Wednesday, 17th December, 2pm

Wednesday, 17th December, 6pm

Thursday, 18th December (am)

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Friday, 19th December

Monday, 5th January 2026

Christmas Jumper/Non-Uniform Day – charity donation

PTFA Christmas Disco, £5 includes crisps and drink

Rec and Year 1&2 Christmas Nativity

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Years 3-6 Carol Service in church

Christmas Pantomime at Kettering Lighthouse Theatre

Love Food Christmas Dinner Day

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 – Percy for a mature attitude to his learning.

Year 1 – Clark for his hard work and growing independence.

Year 2 – Nova for her attention to detail and hard work at all times.

Year 3 – Matei for his lovely ideas in our KS2 writing lessons for the Snowman.

Year 4 – Daniel for his strong understanding when dividing in our maths lessons.

Year 5 – Lyla for a huge increase in confidence in class – answering more questions.

Year 6 – Arabella for her enthusiasm for learning and showing great confidence in our work on ratio.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Beau for being kind and helpful this week.

Year 1 – Gianna for her hard work and attention to detail in all her lessons.

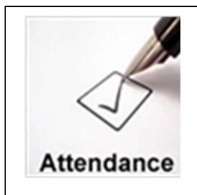
Year 2 – Abigail for her hard work and perseverance in all areas of learning.

Year 3 – Nikita for showing independence in his writing.

Year 4 – Kyle for his amazing effort in our writing sessions.

Year 5 – Lilly for working hard in all lessons and making excellent progress.

Year 6 – Neriah for always taking such pride in your work and being dedicated to making progress.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	98.1%	0	1 st
Year 1/2	98%	5	3 rd
Year 3/4	91.9%	2	4 th
Year 5/6	98%	1	2 nd

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 95%, 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



- Florence** Highland Dancing Competition x5 golds and x1 silver medal
- Florence** Highland Dancing Competition – Overall Under 17 champion
- Eva H** Suzanne's Dance School medal
- Lyla H** Corby Swimming Club, 50m silver medal
- Stevie** Suzanne's Dance School medal

Wren	Step N Grooves Show Dancer 2025
Willow	Step N Grooves Show Dancer 2025
Maja	Corby Gymnastics Badge 1 medal and certificate
Lyla H	Corby Swimming Club, 100m 2 nd place certificate
Percy	Oundle Otters Swimming – Otter Pup award
Alfie	Swim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 7
Lyla	Suzanne’s Dance School medal
Elsie	Suzanne’s Dance School medal and most improved dancer trophy
Monty	Netball Player trophy
Nova	Elements Gymnastics – Christmas Show participation award.
Daisy C	Step N Grooves Show Dancer 2025
Ella	Suzanne’s Dance School medal
Arielle	KUMON Maths and English Programme – 6 months ahead KIS
Charlie	Oundle Otters Swimming – Level 3
Alice	Swim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 3
Freya	Swim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 3
Kelbie	BCKA Kickboxing Yellow Belt Grading
Maeve	Amanda’s Highland Dance School trophy and medals
Willow	Swim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 1
Arabella	Corby Gymnastics Award – Badge 8
Verity	Dexterity Estha Jones School of Dance
Stirling	KUMON Mathematics Programme – 6 months ahead of KIS
Caius	KUMON Mathematics Programme – 3 years ahead of KIS
Shay	Kettering Gymnastics Club – Championship awards and gold medal



Merit Badge Awards

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

Bronze Award (50 Merits): Beau, Willow, Sonny, Athelea, Samuel, Stevie, Zarah, Lilly, Shay, Jamie-Joy, Nikita, Emilia, Darcey, Grace, Amalie, Arabella T, Arella, Sabrina, Maeve, Arabella B-G, Max R, Clark, Kelbie, Noah J, Kate, Lyla, Maja, Safia, Finley, Lewis, Isla, Hamish, Gianna

Stanion Church Christmas Tree Festival

Revd Heather has asked us to congratulate all the children that have won a prize for the recent Christmas colouring competition. They have all been presented with their prizes in our Celebration assembly. Well done to everyone who took part and for supporting this event.

1st – Angel, Emilia and Noah G

2nd Huey

Winner of the Maltesers in a jar game – Alfie



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 Church Stanion

You are invited to join us for our

ALL AGES SERVICE

**on the Third Sunday
of each month**

Music, Song, Story, Crafts, Prayers and
a few thoughts. Fun with a meaning!



Revd Heather 07548 892020

Class News



Reception Class - (Kestrel)

In Literacy, we have been focusing on our whole-school text *The Snowman*. We discussed where we would like the Snowman to take us and how we could stop him from melting. We then created puppets and have begun to retell the story on our stage.

In maths, we have been exploring shapes with four sides. We have searched for them in the environment, created our own, and compared their properties to understand how they are the same or different.

In the classroom, we have been enjoying all things Christmassy. We have particularly loved Santa's grotto, where we have wrapped presents and made cards for our friends. We have also been busy creating Christmas cake recipes in the mud kitchen and making Christmas trees using natural materials.

Year 1/2 (Falcon)

This week, Year 1 and 2 have been enjoying:

- Rehearsing for our Nativity. The children have been doing a brilliant job remembering their lines and their cues. We are looking forward to sharing it with you next Tuesday and Wednesday at 2pm.
- Reading *The Snowman*, in Literacy. We have written some instructions for how to build a snowman, made some Christmas cards for the snowman, wrote some poems inspired by *Walking in the Air* and we are beginning to write our own sequel to the *Snowman*.
- Learning the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes in Maths, we have been counting the sides, edges, faces and vertices. We have also enjoyed making patterns with shapes and sorting them in different ways.
- In PE, we have continued with our Team building lessons and worked together to solve some problems efficiently.
- Investigating the causes of the Great Fire of London and how affected London. We have read some of Samuel Pepys diary and discussed other evidence we can use to tell us about the past.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Red Kite Class, we have been working on our KS2 writing unit 'The Snowman' with Year 5&6. The children have spent time reading the book and writing diary entries, instructions and letters. The children have worked hard and have impressed all of the staff in KS2 with the quality of their writing.

In maths, we have been completing our multiplication and division units. We have been learning how to multiply a 3-digit number x 1-digit using a written method. We then moved on to learn how to divide. We first looked at using a place value chart to share before dividing with remainders.

In RE, we have been learning about Ramadan and understanding the deeper meaning of the festival. We learnt that Ramadan is about sacrifice and we compared Eid to Christmas and looked at the similarities and differences between them. In Our PE lessons, we have been finishing our gymnastics and fundamentals units. The children have developed jumping, rolling, speed and balance during these units. The children have been working hard, and we are looking forward to the Christmas break.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

In Golden Eagle class the children have all been working incredibly hard over the last two weeks. We had our first assessment week of the year, and they all tried their best and showed some really good understanding of the different concepts that we have been studying. In Maths we have been looking at ratio this week. The children have really enjoyed this subject and have showed excellent perseverance in solving a range of ratio problems - their excellent times table knowledge has certainly helped too!! In Literacy we have been studying 'The Snowman' and the children have been producing a range of types of writing including instructions texts, diary entries and letters - we have been so impressed by the level of work they have been producing and how engaged in the lessons they have been. In RE we have continued to look for evidence which proves that Jesus was the Messiah. The children have also studied the meaning of Christmas for people in modern times and looked at how adverts may still have religious roots but that most do not. They have been producing their own Christmas adverts. In Science the children have loved looking at water resistance and air resistance and have been carrying out a range of fabulous investigations with Mrs Marshall. We have all really enjoyed reading the end of our book 'Seven Ghost'. When we read the last two chapters this week you could have heard and pin drop and we all had goose bumps on our arms at the shocking twist at the end of the book. It has been an enjoyable couple of weeks, and we all can't wait for the last week and the lovely activities and events which we have planned.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the Christmas festivities!

Mr Jones and the Stanion team

