



Newsletter

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



Do not fear for I am with you.
Isaiah 43:5

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Our Christian Value for
November is – Peace



Dear Parents and Carers

Another week passes in a flash! We have been extremely busy in school as we now start the build up to Christmas. My worship assembly this week talked about Advent and the true meaning of why we celebrate Christmas. Our Reception and Year 1/2 children will be performing Baubles and the staff are busy preparing costumes and teaching the songs. Please see the Diary Dates for details of the performances.

Staffing Update

We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Dalby-Bellis today as she starts her maternity leave on Monday. We will keep you updated with news after Christmas. Miss Smith has spent time in school getting to know the children in Year 3/4 and discussing the curriculum planning with Mrs Dalby-Bellis. I know Miss Smith will enjoy her time with us and we welcome her on Monday as she starts teaching full-time in Year 3/4.

Mr Forsyth also finishes today but only for a short while. He will complete his second placement in a Kettering school before returning to Stanion after the Easter Holidays. We have been extremely fortunate to recruit Mrs Chatburn to work part-time alongside Miss Clutterbuck in Year 1/2. Mrs Chatburn is a fully qualified, experienced teacher who has spent her teaching career working in Kettering schools. She is very excited to join us and has already been into school to start planning exciting lessons. I know you will all make her feel very welcome at Stanion.



St Peter's Church, Advent Coffee Morning

The church will be hosting a special coffee morning on
Saturday, 1st December at 10am – 12pm.

Everyone is welcome. Join them for coffee, see the plans for the new wildlife garden, shop for some stocking fillers, pick up the Christmas Quiz for a chance to win a cash prize There will also be a raffle.



Attendance in school last week was 96%. The children in Year 1/2 are the winners with 98.7% attendance! Well done to all the children in Year 1/2.

We had 1 late attendance across the school during the week.

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 over 5 days.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

- Reception – Madeline for being so kind and making such good progress;
- Year 1 – Missy for fantastic work doubling using multiplication;
- Year 2 – Isabelle for always challenging herself no matter what she is doing;
- Year 3 – Brody for excellent discussion in our Literacy lesson;
- Year 4 – Haydn for excellent reasoning and identifying patterns with fractions in maths;
- Year 5 – Aedyn for a fantastic attitude towards learning and always having a smile;
- Year 6 – Ewan for excellent handwriting in his recorded work.



Merit Badge Awards

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

Bronze Award (50 Merits): Ewan, Orla, David

Awards and Certificates outside of school



- Harry** Kumon English Programme – Level 5A
- Daniel** Northampton Town FC – Player Medal
- Ava H** N.A.T.D Ballet Award – Merit Certificate
- Kaia** ASA Learn to Swim Award – Stage 6
- Emily P** Premier Sports – Street Dance Award



Diary Dates – Autumn Term

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| Wednesday 5 th December until 5:30pm | PTA Movie Session, £2.50 per ticket |
| Wednesday 12 th December at 2pm | Rec/KS1 Christmas Nativity |
| Wednesday 12 th December at 6:30pm | Key Stage 2 Carol Concert in Stanion Church |
| Thursday 13 th December, 10am & 2pm | Rec/KS1 Christmas Nativity |
| Monday 17 th December (am) | Pantomime trip to Corby Cube |
| Wednesday 19 th December | Break up for Christmas Holidays |
| Thursday 3 rd January 2019 | Children back to school |

Class News



Reception Class

This week we have used the story 'Aliens Love Underpants' as a basis for our literacy and creative activities. We have had a great time painting aliens, designing pants, making alien puppets and alien biscuits.



We have been doing lots of counting to and from 20, recognising and ordering numbers to 20. This week we have been looking at money, identifying coins and using pennies to buy items. We have also started to work out the pairs of numbers that make 10 using the counting stick.

In phonics this week we have learnt the sounds 'th', 'z' and 'ch'.

In R.E. we have continued to think about 'Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas? As part of our Understanding Christianity program.

We have also been very busy practicing our Christmas play.

Year 1/2

In Literacy we have been writing Non-Chronological reports about the moving monsters we made in Design Technology. All of our monsters had to have a moving part, the mechanisms we used were sliders and levers. In Maths we have been measuring our bodies and learning to measure to the nearest whole cm.

Year 3/4

In Red Kite class this week, we have been completing our assessments in reading, grammar and maths. Everyone tried their absolute best and we are all really proud of how we did. We have also enjoyed having Miss Smith in to work with us and getting to know her. In our maths lessons, we have been working on telling the time and using the 24hr clock. We have also been solving problems with duration of time. In R.E. we have written our own class grace and we have been busy debugging programs in ICT. In science, we have learnt about seed dispersal and designed our own seeds and we have also enjoyed learning the days and months in Spanish.

Year 5/6

This week in Golden Eagle class we have been working really hard on our balanced arguments and writing using a formal tone. In Maths we have been concentrating on multiplication and division and thinking about how we can use known facts to work out the answer to trickier facts. We have also been looking at our written methods for long multiplication. In topic this week the children have been thinking about the layout of newspaper reports and how we can begin to write our newspaper report about The Gunpowder Plot. The children all worked excellently in PE this week and supported each other in building skills for our girl's football tournament. On Wednesday evening, the girls all represented the school in our tournament and showed excellent team working skills.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones