

Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



'For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous.' Psalm 1:6

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Our Christian Value for the Autumn Term 1 is -Thankfulness



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to a new school year at Stanion Primary. We hope you all enjoyed the summer holidays and managed to relax at home or away. Our thanks to everyone for your kind gifts at the end of the last school year. We look forward to some exciting events over the next few months. Please check the diary dates below to help you plan for what we have coming up over the next few months.

We welcome our new Reception children and families to our school and we hope to work closely with you all. Well done to all of our children for settling back and working so hard!

School Games – We are delighted to announce that our school has achieved a P.E School Games Gold Award. This award shows our commitment to P.E and games, and reflects the hard work of our staff when teaching the subject. My thanks to Mr Forsyth and Mrs Findlay for their hard work in gaining the accreditation.



Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)

Friday, 22nd September Friday, 22nd September

Thursday, 5th October, 2pm-3pm

Friday, 6th October

Friday, 13th October, 2:30pm

Tuesday, 17th October

Thursday, 19th October

Friday, 20th October Monday, 30th October

Tuesday, 7th November

Tuesday, 12th December, 2pm

Wednesday, 13th December, 2pm

Wednesday, 13th December, 6pm

Monday, 18th December

Tuesday, 19th December, 1:30pm

Tuesday, 19th December

Wednesday, 20th December

Thursday, 4th January 2023

PTA Colour Run after school

Jeans for Genes Mufti Day - £1 suggested charity donation

Peterborough Cathedral visit -Year 6 children

NHS Flu vaccines in school

Harvest Festival in school

Parent Consultations (details to follow)

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Children break up for half-term holidays

Children back to school

Individual school photographs

Rec and KS1 Christmas Nativity

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KS2 Carol Service in church

Christmas dinner day in school

Christmas Pantomime at Corby Cube

Children break up for Christmas holidays

School closed – Teacher Training Day

Children back to school





Corby Library Summer Reading Challenge – Winners

We are delighted to announce that once again, we have won the Corby Library Summer Reading Challenge! Our thanks to you all and to the children for helping us retain the title. We know a lot of schools wanted to win the competition. The library have presented us with a special certificate and trophy. We hope the children enjoyed taking part over the summer. We won with 88% of the children completing the challenge. Thank you for all your continued support.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Kelbie for being so polite and helpful and for being a kind friend;

Year 1 – Natalie for working hard in phonics and Literacy;

Year 2 – Stirling for his excellent listening and concentration;

Year 3 – Daisy for a brilliant start to Year 3;

Year 4 – Danial for fantastic effort in all of his learning;

Year 5 – Alice for her beautifully presented work and a great attitude to learning;

Year 6 – Noah for coming back to school with an amazing attitude towards all learning.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	100%	0	1 st
Year 1/2	99.4%	0	3 rd
Year 3/4	99.4%	0	3 rd
Year 5/6	99.8%	1	2 nd

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 99%, which is above our 97% target! A fantastic start to the year, thank you.

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



Isla G

Florence
Chatsworth Highland Dancing – x3 gold medals

Edie
Oundle Otters Swim School – Level 4 Award

Oliver
FC Aztec Football Tournament – Winners medals

Finley FC Aztec Football Tournament – Winners medals

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Edie Swim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 5

Esmee National Association of Dance – Grade One Ballet with Distinction

VeritySwim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 6KieranReal Madrid Football Clinic – CertificateJacobReal Madrid Football Clinic – Certificate

Finley FC Aztec Tournament Winners



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 Hankins or Mrs Findlay (Designated Safeguarding Leads).

Please read our latest Online Safety Newsletter on the school website www.stanionprimary.co.uk

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Reception Class - (Kestrel)

Thank you to all the reception families for allowing me to visit your homes, it has been a pleasure getting to know you all.

We have had a really good two weeks in Kestrel Class getting to know each other. The children have settled really well and are enjoying exploring the classroom space inside and outside.

We have been thinking about ourselves and getting to know each other. We have been practicing writing our names, drawing and painting ourselves. We have used the texts 'It's OK to be Different' by Todd Parr and 'Peace at Last' by Jill Murphy as the basis of our literacy and creative activities.

We have been playing lots of games and singing songs that practice our counting and recognition of numbers.

We have enjoyed carrying out activities to explore our senses of smell (everyone recognised the smell of chocolate!) and taste (we all recognised sweet tastes).

In R.E. we have listened to the story 'A Quiet Night In' by Jill Murphy. We have been talking about the things we like to do with our families. We have also been thinking about what it is like to belong to a family, and which other groups we belong to (Kestrel Class, Stanion School, the church family and school teams).

Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

Year 1 and 2 have settled back in to the school routines so well. Year 2 have been incredibly responsible when supporting Year 1 with the new routines and the Year 1s have picked everything up so quickly. We are very proud of them all. In our lessons, we have been:

- Reading Alan's big scary teeth and The pirates next door. We have been talking
 about the information we can gather from a picture and thinking about character's
 feelings.
- Working on reading and writing numbers up to 10, 20 and 100 in Maths.
- Writing simple sentences to describe a setting and using full stops, capital letters, question marks and exclamation marks.
- Thinking about why God is special to some people and where he can be found.
- Working on our ball skills in PE.
- Learning to sing a song about animals and how to vary our pitch and speed to match the animal.
- Learning about some of the ways we describe the past and events that have happened to us, our parents' generation and our grandparents' generation.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Year 3 and 4 we have been focusing on place value in our maths lessons. In Year 3 the children have been finding 1, 10 or 100 more or less than a number. We looked at what digit changes when doing this. In Year 4 the children have been partitioning. We have been partitioning 4-digit numbers into thousands, hundreds, tens and ones. In Literacy we have been focusing on our handwriting. We have been trying really hard to ensure that all of our handwriting is joined and easy to read. Some children have even been able to use pen to write in their books!

In Science, we have been learning about sound. We discovered that sound is caused by vibrations. We could see this when we placed sugar on the top of a drum and hit it. In History we were thinking about the impact the Roman empire had upon the East Midlands. We looked at artefacts that gave us clues about what life was like. In computing we have been thinking about online safety. The children created their own rules for staying safe and created a poster.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

It has been so lovely to have the children back in school for the last two weeks and getting to know the Year Fives better. We have been working really hard on presentation within our

books and the children have been consolidating their understanding of a range of handwriting joins and how to apply these within their Literacy books. Within our Maths lessons we have been looking at numbers and place value. We have been reading and writing a range of large numbers as well as discussing and partitioning them to show our understanding of the place value of the digits. Our reading lessons have focused around our book 'The Man Who Walked between the Towers' and the children have all loved finding out about Phillipe Petite and his tightrope walking between the Twin Towers in New York City. Within our Science lessons we have begun to look at electricity. The children have all shown excellent understanding of how to light a bulb in a circuit and have also investigated what happens to the brightness of the bulb when further components are added in. In History we have begun our work on Ancient Civilisations and have been studying who the Shang Dynasty were and where they originated from. We have used atlases and sources of historical evidence to find out more about their lives. In RE we have considered the Kingdom of God and what this means to Christians. We have studied and compare two parables from the Bible and considered what these tell us about The Kingdom of God. The children have really enjoyed our new PE lessons in which we have looked at football and handball.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team