



# 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 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Our Christian Value for  
the Autumn Term 1 is –  
Thankfulness



Dear Parents and Carers

We are all looking forward to celebrating Harvest later today. The children will have a rehearsal in church this morning and we will have our Harvest Festival in the school hall at 2:30pm. As in previous years, we'll sing a selection of songs and share some poems and artwork. Thank you for all your donations to the Corby Food Bank. We are always blown away with your generosity and the food will all go to those in need.

We look forward to seeing you all next week for Parent Consultations. This meeting is an opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher and discuss how they have settled back into school. We hope you are able to attend one of the evenings on offer. Please use this meeting to share any concerns or to celebrate good news and achievements.

The school will close next Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October for half-term. I could not be prouder of the children for all their hard work and efforts over the past term. As ever, thank you for your continued support. We return to school on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)**

Friday, 13 <sup>th</sup> October, 2:30pm	Harvest Festival in school
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations
Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations – Year 1&2 only by telephone
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Children break up for half-term holidays
Monday, 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Children back to school
Tuesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual school photographs
Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 2pm	Rec and KS1 Christmas Nativity
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December, 2pm	Rec and KS1 Christmas Nativity
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December, 6pm – 7pm	KS2 Carol Service in church
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> December, 5:30pm – 7pm	PTA School Disco (details to follow nearer the time)
Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas dinner day in school
Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> December, 1:30pm	Christmas Pantomime at Corby Cube
Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Children break up for Christmas holidays
<b>Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>School closed – Teacher Training Day</b>
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023	Children back to school





### Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Sonny for being so enthusiastic and such a kind friend;

Year 1 – Fletcher for his beautiful pumpkin art;

Year 2 – Lyla-Flo for her beautiful and careful artwork;

Year 3 – Freddie for pushing himself in our P.E lessons;

Year 4 – Lewis for his great understanding of Roman numerals in our maths learning;

Year 5 – Alexander for a fantastic attitude towards learning in all lessons;

Year 6 – Dexter for being a kind, caring, helpful and considerate member of our school.



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

Reception – Caius for excellent work and effort in all subjects, especially Maths;

Year 1 – Elsie for working hard in her Maths lessons;

Year 2 – Jamie-Joy for his super colour mixing in Art;

Year 3 – Tom for brilliant explanation skills in our Maths learning;

Year 4 – Eleanor for super understanding in our history lessons about Ancient Egypt;

Year 5 – Charlie for a fantastic attitude to all of her learning and a huge increase in confidence;

Year 6 – Marija for her understanding of all the Literacy techniques we have used this week.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	93%	0	4 <sup>th</sup>
Year 1/2	98%	0	1 <sup>st</sup>
Year 3/4	95%	1	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Year 5/6	94%	1	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 97.4%, which is just above 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



<b>Esmee</b>	Swim England – 25m Distance Award
<b>Florence</b>	Spirit Highland Dancing – x4 gold medals
<b>Matilda</b>	Rainbow Silver Award
<b>Verity</b>	LM Academy – Football skills
<b>Jacob</b>	Rising Hope FC – Winner's trophy
<b>Tom</b>	Corby Hellenic FC – Man of the Match trophy
<b>Eva</b>	LM Academy – Star of the Week
<b>Eva</b>	Freestyle Disco Award – Highly Commended
<b>Neriah</b>	Swim England – Learn to Swim Stage 5



### **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](http://www.stanionprimary.co.uk)

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### **Class News**



#### **Reception Class - (Kestrel)**

Last week we used the story 'Kipper's Birthday' by Mick Inkpen as a basis for our literacy and creative activities. We really enjoyed planning and taking part in Barnaby Bear's birthday party.

This week we used the stories 'The Enormous Turnip' and 'Pumpkin Soup' as a basis for our literacy activities. We had a great time retelling the story of 'The Enormous Turnip' using props.

We have been practicing our counting, ordering and recognition of numbers. Last week we made repeating patterns using lots of different objects and materials. This week we have been doing lots of counting of objects and recognising numbers up to 10 and 20.

Last week we learnt the sounds 'g' 'o' 'c' and 'k', and this week we have learnt 'ck' 'e' 'u' and 'r'. We're putting lots of effort into learning to read and making cvc words using the sounds we have learnt so far.

For our science last week, we baked birthday cakes and we used our senses to identify the changes in the ingredients as we mixed them and cooked them. This week we have been thinking about 'Autumn', looking at the changes in the weather and the trees and hedges around school.

In R.E. we have been thinking about birthdays and talking about how our families celebrate birthdays. This week we have been finding out about 'Harvest' and Harvest Festivals'. We hope you can join us for the Harvest Festival celebrations.

#### **Year 1/2 - (Falcon)**

In Year 1 and 2 this week, we have been extremely busy and enjoying:

- Adding and subtracting using known facts. We have been working with numbers up to 10 in Year 1 and we have been using our bonds to 10, 20 and 100 in Year 2. We have been exploring what happens when we add and subtract. We have been

learning how to find fact families and how to write number sentences. We have been using counters, ten frames and number lines to support our adding and subtracting.

- In Literacy, writing our own fairy tale. We have been changing details in the 3 little pigs to write our own fairy tale story.
- Creating our own animal songs in music. We have been using our knowledge of pitch and tempo to play a range of instruments to represent different animals. We have also enjoyed learning new songs and discussing the music we listen to.
- In History, we have enjoyed learning about the Great Fire of London and its causes. Finding out how we know about the past.

We look forward to seeing you all next week for our Parent Consultation sessions.

### **Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)**

This week in Red Kite class we have been finishing our maths unit on place value. We have been learning all about Roman Numerals and negative numbers. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about Roman numerals and were able to create a key to help them create different numbers. They were able to show fantastic understanding of the rules for Roman numerals, knowing not to use the same symbol three times in a row. In Literacy we have been working from our book about Tutankhamun. The children have been learning about the perfect present tense, fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases. We were able to apply these skills in a range of different text styles such as diaries, newspaper articles and posters. In History, we have been learning how the Ancient Egyptians built the pyramids. We thought about arguments for and against different theories. In Science, we have been learning about sound. This week we have been thinking about volume and how larger vibrations cause louder sounds. We learnt that more energy being put into the vibrations caused the instrument to make a louder sound. We tested this using data loggers. The children have worked really hard and are looking forward to Harvest Festival.

### **Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)**

In Golden Eagle class, the children have been working really hard again. In Maths we have been looking at our work on the four operations and the children have been working hard on their understanding of addition and subtraction methods and how to apply these to multi-step problems. We have now moved onto working on multiplication and division and have begun by thinking about multiples, common multiples and factors. Our work in Literacy has continued to be based around Philippe Petite and his walk on a wire between 'The Twin Towers'. The children have looked at how to conduct an eyewitness interview, generate quotes for a newspaper report and then write the report. We are now looking forward to writing a biography on Philippe Petite next week. In Science we have been looking at renewable and non-renewable sources of energy and finding out more about these for an information leaflet. Our history unit has now moved to think about the Ancient Mayans and we have thought about where and when they lived. In Spanish, we have been continuing our unit of work on 'The Classroom' and the children have been concentrating on how to say 'my' as well as twelve common classroom objects. Our reading has continued to look at the book 'The Matchstick Diary' and we have enjoyed finding out more about the old man's life and his move to New York City. In PE we have continued to enjoy our handball unit of work

as well as our football unit and we have also enjoyed using the indoor apparatus when the weather has been particularly bad.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team