



Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



'Jesus is the Messiah, the son of God.'
John 20:31

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Our Christian Value for
the Autumn Term 2 is –
Trust



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another half term in school. We trust you all enjoyed the break and managed to get some rest. This is always a busy half term but one of our favourites. As the weather turns colder, please remember to send your child to school with appropriate clothing including a coat, hat and gloves. We look forward to working with you over the coming weeks.

A gentle reminder that individual school photographs will be on Thursday, 9th November.

PTA Colour Run

We thought you might like to see a couple of photographs from the recent PTA Color Run. It was a wonderful experience for the children and we hope you enjoyed taking part. Our thanks to Laura Allanson and the PTA for organising the event.





Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)

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| Thursday, 9 th November | Individual school photographs |
| Friday, 17 th November | Children in Need Mufti Day |
| Friday, 24 th November, 7pm | PTA Music Bingo night at Stanion Village Hall |
| Tuesday, 12 th December, 2pm | Rec and KS1 Christmas Nativity |
| Wednesday, 13 th December, 2pm | Rec and KS1 Christmas Nativity |
| Wednesday, 13 th December, 6pm – 7pm | KS2 Carol Service in church |
| Friday, 15 th December, 5:30pm – 7pm | PTA School Disco (details to follow nearer the time) |
| Monday, 18 th December | Christmas dinner day in school |
| Tuesday, 19 th December, 1:30pm | Christmas Pantomime at Corby Cube |
| Tuesday, 19 th December | Children break up for Christmas holidays |
| Wednesday, 20th December | School closed – Teacher Training Day |
| Thursday, 4 th January 2023 | Children back to school |



Head Teacher's Awards

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

- Reception – Charlie for trying so hard and making great progress in reading and writing;
- Year 1 – Elleana for her fantastic reading and using her robot arms in phonics;
- Year 2 – Alfie for really concentrating and completing all his work;
- Year 3 – Daniel for his increased focus during lesson time;
- Year 4 – Noah for his fantastic use of expanded noun phrases;
- Year 5 – Emma for a huge increase in confidence in maths lessons;
- Year 6 – Aria for being an excellent role model and a helpful member of the class.



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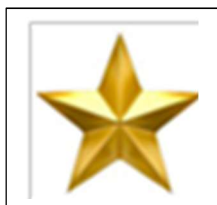
- Reception – Arabella for challenging herself with her learning especially writing cvc words;
- Year 1 – Bella for doing fantastic work in Maths working out problems using a number line;
- Year 2 – Daniel for his great art work manipulating paint with a straw;
- Year 3 – Wren for always giving everything 100%;
- Year 4 – Emmanuel for working really hard to improve presentation;
- Year 5 – Corey for a fantastic attitude to learning and an increase in concentration;
- Year 6 – Sophia for her fantastic understanding of how to edit her hot write.



| Class | Attendance | Late Marks | Position |
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| Reception | 100% | 1 | 1 st |
| Year 1/2 | 96% | 0 | 4 th |
| Year 3/4 | 97% | 1 | 3 rd |
| Year 5/6 | 97.5% | 2 | 2 nd |

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 97.3%, 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.



PTA - Lucky Stars October Draw

We are delighted to be running the Lucky Stars draw again this year. Our thanks to the PTA and Mrs Manton for organising this fundraiser. Congratulations to Claire Sanderson, the winner of our Lucky Stars draw with star number 22. Claire will win a £27 cash prize.



Merit Badge Awards

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

Bronze Award (50 Merits): Eunice, Neriah



Awards and Certificates outside of school

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| Florence | Tartan Thistle Dance Festival, x4 gold medals |
| Esmee | Swim England, Learn to Swim Stage 6 |
| Edie | Gymnastics Club – Progress Award |
| Charlie | Gymnastics Club – Progress Award |
| Charlie | Football Award – Man of the Match |
| Max | Judo Belt – White with red stripe |
| Florence | Highland Dancing, Kingdom of Fife – x1 silver and x3 bronze medals |
| Lyla-Flo | Corby Gymnastics Academy – x1 gold, x2 silver and x2 bronze medals |
| Jacob | Swim England, Learn to Swim Stage 3 |
| Matei | Corby Kingswood Football – Player of the Match |
| Florence | Swim England, Learn to Swim Stage 4 |
| Matilda | Swim England, Learn to Swim Stage 4 |
| Alfie | Swim England, Learn to Swim Stage 4 |
| Matilda | Little Princess Trust - £357 raised by donating her hair |
| Safia | Swim England, Learn to Swim Stage 3 |
| Danial | Northampton Tennis Coaching – NLTC Grade 4 Orange |
| Maja | Corby Gymnastics Academy – x2 silver and x2 bronze medals |
| Daniel | Football Merit Award Winner |
| Daniel | LM Academy – Multi-Sports Star of the Week |
| Eva | Swim England, Butterfly Distance Award 5m |



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

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Class News



Reception Class - (Kestrel)

The week before half term we used the story 'Leaf Man' by Lois Ehlert and non-fiction books about 'Autumn' as a basis for our literacy and creative activities. We enjoyed doing lots of autumn art activities.

This week we have used the story 'Rama and Sita, the story of Diwali' and non-fiction books to find out about the festival of Diwali. We have made beautiful divas from salt dough.

For the week before half term and this week we have been working on one more or one less than numbers up to 20. We have also been playing lots of games that practice our counting, ordering and recognition of numbers.

The week before half term we learnt the sounds 'ck', 'e', 'u' and 'r', and this week we have learnt 'h', 'b', 'f', 'ff', 'l' and 'll'. We're doing lots of practice of reading and writing cvc words. We also make good use of our phonic knowledge when we are writing.

Before half term for our science we have been looking at the four seasons and how they are different. We looked especially at 'Autumn', thinking about the changes in the seasons. We went for a walk around the school to look for signs of autumn. This week we have been thinking about light and dark, and making shadows. We used torches to make shadows, and found out how we could make shadows bigger and smaller.

In R.E. before half term we thought about the different groups we belong to, and we wrote prayers thanking God for our lovely families and friends, our school and for the changing of the seasons. This week we have started the Understanding Christianity topic of Incarnation, Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas?

Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

This week Year 1 and 2 have been working so hard and have enjoyed:

- Playing team games in PE and learning how to work well together.
- Watching a video of the creation story and retelling it in our own words.
- Exploring numbers to 20 in Yr1 and continuing to work on subtraction strategies in Yr2, including subtracting to 10 and then some and using a number line to count back.
- Finding out about verbs and how to use them in a sentence.
- Exploring how the Great Fire of London changed London.
- Thinking about how we use the internet safely.
- Learning a new song in music, linked to the seasons.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Red Kite class we have been focusing on addition and subtraction in our maths lessons. The Year 3 children have been trying to spot patterns and use a variety of methods to add two numbers together. In Year 4 we have been focusing on adding two 4-digit numbers with and without regrouping. The children did this using place value counters and

column method. In Literacy, we have been learning all about the features of a non-chronological report. As a class, we worked to identify these features on a specific text. The children then found the same features on a different text the following day independently. We then moved on to think about expanded noun phrases and tried to use these independently. In RE this term, we are learning all about the deeper meanings of festivals. We thought about what a celebration is and why we might have one. We then discussed the differences and similarities between religious and non-religious festivals. In our PE this half term, we are focusing on the fundamentals of exercise agility, balance and coordination. The children completed a series of stations to develop their balancing skills in a variety of ways. The children have worked incredibly hard this week and look forward to another busy week.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

In Golden Eagle class the children have had an incredibly busy start to our new half term. In Maths we have thought about prime, squared and cubed numbers as well as thought about our written methods for multiplication. As ever, it is so important for the children to be practising their times tables to ensure these areas of our learning are as easy as possible for them. In Literacy we have begun our new unit of work on non-chronological reports. We have spent the week identifying the different features of these types of text and finding examples of technical vocabulary which we might want to use in our texts on the Ancient Mayans. In reading we have begun our new book 'Seven Ghosts' and the children have really enjoyed reading the first couple of chapters. Our Science lesson this week introduced our new unit of work on forces and we were investigating gravity alongside learning about the work of Sir Isaac Newton. In History, we have continued our work on the Ancient Mayans and this week have been looking at how we know so much about their lifestyle, culture and life by studying a range of different sources of evidence. In RE we have begun our new unit on 'What Jesus did to save human beings' by studying the different Stations of the Cross. During our lesson we looked at the events leading up to the death of Jesus and matched these to different artists representations. We enjoyed our new unit of PE on 'Outdoor and Adventurous Activities' and as part of this thought about our communication skills and how we could work as a team.

As always, we love sharing the different lessons we have completed on Tapestry and would love for you to look at the pictures with your children. You can also like the observations which we put on to show us that you have enjoyed looking at the hard work which the children are producing.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team