



Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

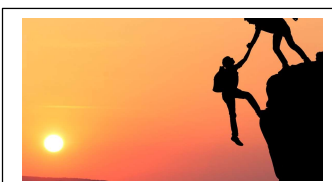
Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



'He must increase, but I must decrease.'
John 3:30

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Our Christian Value for
the Autumn Term 2 is –
Trust



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy couple of weeks in school and the children continue to work hard. I would like to congratulate those children in Key Stage 2 who took part in the cross-country competition at West Glebe Park. Despite the miserable weather, they all performed well and demonstrated our school value of perseverance. Also, our thanks to all the Year 5/6 parents who collected the children from the venue. We are unable to book coaches at this time of day due to secondary school pick-ups so we really appreciate your support.

PTA MUSIC BINGO - FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER - 7pm

The PTA continue to sell tickets for the Music Bingo night after school.

The Music Bingo is our first family evening event and EVERYONE is welcome. There will be a Disney round especially for the children with a chance to win an early children's Christmas present! Each round costs £2 per bingo card, with 5 rounds in total. You can buy as many or as little bingo cards as you wish. There will be singing and dancing and lots of fun! Bring your family and friends. The more the merrier! It is free entry and doesn't need to be pre-booked, you turn up on the evening and join us. The only part that needs to be pre-booked is your food order. You can pre-order sausage and chips or fish cake and chips for £5 directly with the PTA afterschool. This will be delivered from Rafferty's chip shop on the night. If you don't want to order a chip supper then feel free to bring your own nibbles, the bar will be open at the village hall for refreshments.

We hope you will support this event which will be lots of fun for all the family!





Diary Dates (Autumn Terms)

Tuesday, 21 st November (pm)	Year 5/6 Sports Hall Competition at Lodge Park
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 – Abigail for always being so happy and for making great progress;

Year 1 – Arielle for writing a creative story using fantastic adjectives;

Year 2 – Freya for working really hard and working out all the answers independently;

Year 3 – Lyla for her fantastic work in Maths;

Year 4 – Neriah for great understanding in Religious Education;

Year 5 – Jake T for a huge improvement in handwriting and concentration;

Year 6 – Antonia for her beautiful manners and a real enthusiasm for learning.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Grace for trying so hard and for being so playful;

Year 1 – Noah A for working hard in our Art lesson and producing excellent work;

Year 2 – Archie for his wonderful 3D structure in our Art lesson;

Year 3 – Lilly for her brilliant understanding in our reading;

Year 4 – Ella for showing improved confidence in Maths;

Year 5 – Marley for his fantastic effort and understanding in all of our lessons;

Year 6 – Eunice for her excellent understanding of long division written methods.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	97.8%	0	1 st
Year 1/2	96.5%	3	3 rd
Year 3/4	96.8%	1	2 nd
Year 5/6	91.3%	1	4 th

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 96.9%, which is just 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.



Merit Badge Awards

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

Bronze Award (50 Merits): Caius, Alice S, Faye, Marija, Alexander, Jamie Joy, Emma, Finley, Freya

Awards and Certificates outside of school



Stirling	Oundle Rugby Club – Player of the Week
Nova	Swim England, Learn to Swim Award – Stage 3
Lottie	Swim England Distance Award – 10m Backstroke
Tom	LM Academy, Multi-Sports, Star of the Day
Florence	Grampian Highland Gathering – x3 gold and x1 silver medal
Florence	Newcastle Highland Games Competition – x4 gold medals
Sonny	Swim England, Learn to Swim Award – Stage 1
Angel	Swim England, Learn to Swim Award – Stage 4
Noah E	Corby S&L Football – Trainer of the Week trophy



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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Class News



Reception Class - (Kestrel)

Last week we continued our short topic on 'Light and Dark', using the story 'Bears in the Night' as the basis for our literacy and creative activities.

This week we have used the story 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff' as a basis for our literacy and creative activities. We have really enjoyed playing in the troll's den.

In maths last week we were thinking about time; the days of the week, what we do at night and during the day, and how long a minute is. We also practiced telling o'clock times. This week we have been partitioning numbers to see how many different pairs of numbers we can find to make 5, 6, 7 and 8, e.g. 3+2=5, 4+1=5. We have also been practicing our counting, ordering and recognition of numbers up to 20 and beyond.

Last week we learnt the sounds 'j', 'v', 'w' and 'x', and this week we have learnt 'y', 'z', 'zz', 'qu' and 'ch'. We're getting really good at using our phonic knowledge to write words and captions.

For our science last week, we used the torches to make shadows; we found out how to make shadows bigger and smaller and we put a toy out in the sunshine so we could see how shadows change throughout the day. This week we have been thinking about the materials we might use to make bridges, it was a real challenge trying to make bridges that stayed up and supported the weight of a toy goat.

In R.E. we have started to explore the Understanding Christianity topic of 'Incarnation', Why do Christians perform Nativity plays at Christmas? Last week we were thinking about who is the most important person in the Christmas story. And this week we have been thinking about how we celebrate Jesus' birthday at Christmas.

Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

In Year 1 and 2, we have been busy producing some excellent work and enjoying:

- Learning different strategies to add and subtract. We have been using number lines to count forwards and backwards, equipment and images to represent numbers and Year 2 have been learning to use the column method.
- Continuing our grammar work in Literacy and exploring what a clause is and how a sentence is built.
- Reading Super Dad's Day Off and Tad in our reading sessions and using our VIPERS skills to answer questions on these texts.
- Listening to music inspired by the seasons and composing our own parts using percussion instruments.
- Exploring pitch on the Glockenspiels.
- Making 3D pictures using paper in Art.
- Thinking about what the difference is between unkind words, teasing and bullying.

Please continue to look at some of our work on Tapestry.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Red Kite class we have been completing our non-chronological report all about the Greek Gods and Goddesses. The children planned out their writing to give information about three of the Gods. They tried to include many features within their writing such as fronted adverbial, expanded noun phrases and apostrophes.

In maths, we have been focusing on addition and subtraction. We have been looking at efficient strategies, estimating, methods for checking and learning how to cross place value columns when adding and subtracting.

In our RE this week, we continued our work learning about festivals and their deeper meanings. We learnt about the Hindu festival, Diwali. We watched a video of the story of Rama and Sita and then used this to create an information poster showing understanding of the message within the story. In computing this week, we have been learning how to use

spreadsheets to create games. The children created a times table game using the cells. They enjoyed this as a way to practice too.

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

In Maths this week we have moved onto our work on fractions and have been looking at how to find fractions of numbers. We have then extended our knowledge further to find equivalent fractions. In Literacy we have been finishing our non-chronological reports on the Ancient Mayans. The children have carried out the most fantastic research and used the learning from our history lessons to produce their texts and I have been very impressed with the quality of work which has been produced. In our Science lessons we have been focusing on friction and developed our understanding of what this force is and why it may be a useful or non-useful force. We have also investigated whose shoe in class had the least friction. Our RE lessons have continued to focus around the events leading up to Jesus' death. We have been deciding who was responsible for Jesus' death and then discussing the term sacrifice. The children have thought about the sacrifices which Jesus made as well as the sacrifices of some modern-day martyrs who are displayed at Westminster Abbey. In PE the children were absolutely fantastic at the cross-country schools competition. They showed real determination and perseverance when running and we were incredibly proud of them. We have been practising for our sportshall athletics event next week and I am really looking forward to taking the children on Tuesday afternoon.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team



**Stanion PTA family event. Stanion
Village Hall, 24th Nov, 7pm**



Everyone welcome! 5 rounds, £2 per card. £10 per person includes entry into each round and table. Cash prizes to be won.

Option to pre-order sausage and chips. Bar open for refreshments.