



Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

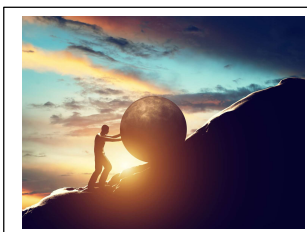
Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.



'Follow Me, and I will make you fish for people!'
Matthew 4:19

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Our Christian Value for
the Spring Term 1 is –
Perseverance



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy two weeks in school with lots of good work being produced by the children. Last week, Mrs de Choisy and I enjoyed taking the children in Year 3/4 to St Peter's church for a talk by Revd Heather about Baptism. The children showed respect, listened carefully, and asked some interesting questions about the importance of baptism to Christians. Thank you to Revd Heather for supporting us with our R.E learning.

I hope you managed to visit the Scholastic book fair in school this week. I know the children have been excited to visit the fair and buy a book of their choice. Congratulations to the children who won a £5 book voucher for their wonderful book reviews. The staff all said how hard it was to choose a winner. We hope the winners enjoyed spending their voucher! Thank you to Mrs Findlay, Mr Forsyth, and Mrs Harvey for arranging this special event and to everyone who supported the event.



Diary Dates (Spring Terms)

W/c 24 th January	Scholastic Book Fair in school
Tuesday, 13 th February	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Thursday, 15 th February	Parent Consultations (details to follow)
Friday, 16 th February	Children break up for half-term.
Monday, 26 th February	Children back to school
Friday, 1 st March, 2:45pm	Year 5&6 class assembly.
Thursday, 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday, 8 th March, 2:45pm	Year 3&4 class assembly.
Friday, 15 th March, 2:45pm	Year 1&2 class assembly.
Monday, 18 th March	Class photographs
Thursday, 21 st March, 2:45pm	Reception class assembly
Thursday, 28 th March, 9:15am	Easter Bonnet Parade (weather permitting)
Thursday, 28 th March, 2:30pm	Easter assembly
Thursday, 28 th March	Children break up for Easter holidays.
Monday, 15th April	Teacher Training Day – school closed.
Tuesday, 16 th April	Children back to school



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Nova for challenging herself and working independently.

Year 1 – Isaac for being so involved and contributing in all lessons.

Year 2 – Alice for a well written recount using conjunctions and description.

Year 3 – Angel for her fantastic times tables knowledge.

Year 4 – Leo for his brilliant inference skills in reading.

Year 5 – Jedidiah for really focusing on all of his writing skills this week.

Year 6 – Dexter for his excellent understanding in all of our computing.



Head Teacher's Awards

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

Reception – Zachary for making great progress in reading and for very neat handwriting.

Year 1 – Polly for always trying her very best and also being kind and helpful.

Year 2 – Freya for her enthusiasm and clear answers in Literacy.

Year 3 – Blake for always giving 100% in our learning.

Year 4 – Ella for showing determination in our maths lessons.

Year 5 – Lucas for excellent confidence and knowledge in Maths.

Year 6 – Faye for fantastic description of her 'Lost Thing' in Literacy.



PTA - Lucky Stars January Draw

Congratulations to Lisa Marshall, the winner of our Lucky Stars draw with star number 30. Lisa will win a £27 cash prize.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	100%	0	1 st
Year 1/2	95%	4	4 th
Year 3/4	98.4%	0	2 nd
Year 5/6	96.6%	1	3 rd

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 96.6%, 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): Blake, Eleanor W, Oliver, Isla S, Ella, Eleanor N, Alice H

Silver Award (100 Merits): Neriah, Caius, Alice, Alexander

Awards and Certificates outside of school



Ella	iFly Dream of Flight – Level 1
Lottie	iFly Dream of Flight – Level 1
Olly	iFly Dream of Flight – Level 1
Matilda	Corby Gymnastics Academy – Badge 7
Charlie N	Football Winners Trophy
Maja	Corby Gymnastics Academy – Badge 6
Caius	KUMON Mathematics Programme – Level A
Jacob	L M Academy, Star of the Day Football
Isla G	Highland Dancing – Dancer of the week
Jacob	Rising Hope FC – Player of the match.

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

School telephone 01536 204896

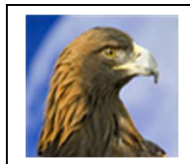
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Class News



Reception Class - (Kestrel)

Last week we continued our topic on 'Winter, snow, ice and dark nights'. We used the story 'The Owl who was afraid of the Dark' as a basis for our literacy. We used the computer to research nocturnal animals and made our own book about them.

This week we started a topic on 'Food and Cooking'. We used the stories 'Ketchup on your Cornflakes' and 'The Giant Jam Sandwich' as a basis for our literacy and creative activities.

We had a great time making and eating different breads and making and eating jam sandwiches. The children told me that the bread they made was delicious!

In maths last week we were ordering and comparing numbers up to and beyond 20. This week we have been thinking about the position of objects and the language we use to describe position ie next to, above, between etc. We also continue to practice our counting, ordering and recognition of numbers up to and beyond 20, counting in 2's, 5's and 10's, and practicing recalling which numbers are one more/one less than a given number.

Last week we learnt the sounds 'ar', 'ur', 'or' and 'oo', and this week we have learnt 'ow', 'oi', 'ear' and 'air'. We're getting very good at blending sounds to read and segment words to write them.

For our science last week, we found out about nocturnal animals and animals that hibernate. This week we used our senses to explore a range of different breads, thinking about the smell, feel and taste.

In R.E. last week we listened to the story of Zacchaeus and thought about what it means to be a friend and care for each other. This week have been looking at books and stories from other religions.

Year 1/2 - (Falcon)

Falcon class have been working super hard and have thoroughly enjoyed:

- Solving problems that involve division. Year 1 have been using equipment and the language of equal groups to solve sharing problems. Year 2 have been using their multiplication facts to find the inverse division fact.
- Linking our knowledge of division to fractions. We have been exploring how many equal groups we need to find halves, quarters and (for Year 2) thirds.
- Writing interesting sentences that use adverbial openers and conjunctions to extend our ideas.
- Planning a recount about our Christmas break.
- In R.E, listening to some stories about Muhammed and thinking about what he means to Muslims and how he inspires them.
- Listening to some more Spanish nursery rhymes and picking out key words.
- Learning some new yoga poses in PE and linking this to our mental well-being.
- In Geography, setting up equipment to measure the weather around the school and collecting our results.
- Singing songs about the oceans in music.
- Creating our own animation frames in ICT.

Year 3/4 - (Red Kite)

This week in Red Kite class we have been completing out multiplication unit in maths. The children in Year 3 and 4 have been learning how to use a written method for multiplication to multiply 3-digit numbers by a one-digit number. In Year 4, we have also learnt how to use bus stop method for division. Towards the end of this week, we have been learning about efficient methods for multiplication and solving correspondence problems.

In Literacy, we have been writing our fantasy narrative based around the story 'Our Tower'. The children enjoyed creating their own fantastical creature and magical object to adapt the story. We have focused on the use of onomatopoeia, expanded noun phrases, speech punctuation and contrasting conjunctions to ensure our writing is effective.

In our Geography learning this week we have been learning about Europe and identifying the capital cities on a map. We used an atlas to locate the capital cities and some landmarks. In our PE lessons this week we have been learning our carnival dance. We attempted to transform the school hall into the streets of Brazil.

The children have worked hard this week and are excited for next week!

Year 5/6 - (Golden Eagle)

The children in Golden Eagle class have been working incredibly hard over the last couple of weeks. In Maths we have continued with our work on converting a range of different measures and the children have all shown excellent understanding. We have now moved on to work on ratio and proportion.

In Literacy we have been planning and writing our own versions of the story 'The Lost Thing' by Shaun Tan. The children have all had brilliant ideas and I have been impressed with their understanding of how to use speech punctuation. In our science lessons we have continued with our work on living things and their habitats. The children have been looking at what a classification chart is, and we developed some of our own to identify different sweets before moving on to classify different animals. We have also been thinking about how to classify plants and the children have researched the different types of plants and which categories they fall into.

Our RE lessons have continued to focus around the five pillars of Islam and we have looked at the second and third pillars of prayer and fasting and how these help a Muslim to lead their life. In PE, the children have been brilliant at showing their knowledge and understanding of badminton and dance and we have all enjoyed learning a variety of new skills. In Geography we have been discussing the different states in America and have begun to focus on the economic activity of the Western USA.

We have continued to enjoy reading 'The Hatmakers' for our guided reading book and the children have all been building their knowledge and confidence of how to answer inference questions.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team