



# Stanion C.E (Aided) Primary School Newsletter

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

*Love, Inspire, Flourish, Embrace – LIFE.*



'The Lord's hand is mighty.'  
**Joshua 4:24**

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Our Christian Value for  
the Spring Term 1 is –  
Perseverance

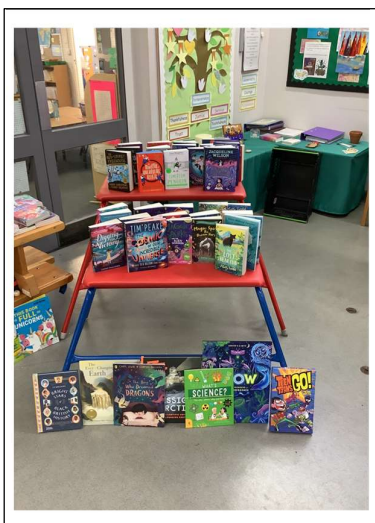


Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start the newsletter this week with a gentle reminder to book your parent consultation appointment. The class teachers look forward to meeting you all next week to discuss your child's progress and to share some of their work. Thank you if you have already booked your appointment.

## Reading Book Donation

Our sincere thanks to everyone who has gifted us a reading book or purchased a book from the Scholastic Book Fair. We have been gifted thirty-six books through our Christmas wish list scheme with Love Reading 4 Kids. Through the Scholastic book fair, we made £1300 and received £740 worth of book rewards.



## Mental Health Awareness Day

The children had a wonderful time on Tuesday taking part in a range of activities to mark this special day. They mixed into their house teams and spent the morning thinking about our well-being and what we can do to support our mental health. Class teachers planned some exciting activities ranging from sign language to P.E to painting.



### Diary Dates (Spring Terms)

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



### Head Teacher's Awards

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

- Reception – Caius for being so enthusiastic about all his learning.
- Year 1 – Elleana for her excellent concentration in phonics.
- Year 2 – Isla for her work on money in our Maths lessons.
- Year 3 – Blake for fantastic effort in all lessons.
- Year 4 – Isla for her brilliant use of adverbials in Literacy.
- Year 5 – Dion for a huge increase in focus and concentration in all lessons.
- Year 6 – Antonia for being a fantastic role model to all children in our school.



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

Reception – Arabella for being so confident when she is writing independently.

Year 1 – Noah for working hard to listen and concentrate and being keen to join in.

Year 2 – Esme for her explanation of absorbency in science and working hard.

Year 3 – Tom for his fantastic presentation in his writing.

Year 4 – Finley for his great understanding of fractions.

Year 5 – Corey for his fantastic enthusiasm for learning and excellent concentration.

Year 6 – Noah for a huge increase in confidence in our literacy lessons.



Class	Attendance	Late Marks	Position
Reception	97.4%	0	1 <sup>st</sup>
Year 1/2	93.5%	1	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Year 3/4	91%	1	4 <sup>th</sup>
Year 5/6	92.1%	4	3 <sup>rd</sup>

Our attendance for the academic year is currently 96.3%, 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):** Lilly, Zarah, Corey, Jake T, Lucas, Kieran, Olly, Daniel L

**Silver Award (100 Merits):** Bella, Eunice, Finley, Nova, Eva, Angel

### Awards and Certificates outside of school



**Tom**

Corby Hellenic Football – Player of the match

**Alfie**

Swim England, Learn to Swim – Stage 5

**Matei**

Corby Kingswood Football – Player of the match

**Verity**

Dexterity School of Dance – Best newcomer and top gymnast awards

**Isabelle**

Dexterity School of Dance – Good leadership and top gymnast awards

**Alexander**

Swim England, Diving Award – Stage 4



### **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)

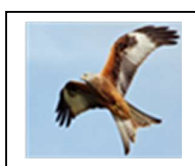
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### **Class News**



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

Please visit our Tapestry pages to see all the wonderful work we have been doing in Reception Class.

We have thoroughly enjoyed our work today with Mrs Ettridge linked to the Chinese New Year. We have been busy making our very own pigs or dogs linked to the year of our birth. Also, we have been thinking about the year of the dragon and have been writing some wonderful sentences. Mr Jones was so impressed with our beautiful handwriting!

We look forward to seeing all our parents next week for Parent Consultations on Tuesday and Thursday.

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

In Year 1 and 2, we have been working super hard and enjoying:

- Reading the story of Leo and the Octopus. We have been exploring how we are all unique and how our emotions can be unique as well. We have then written some advice for Leo to help him regulate his emotions.
- Learning about different notations of money and identifying the coins and notes. Calculating with money and comparing amounts.
- Finding out about how Muslims pray and what the 5 Pillars of Islam are.
- Collecting data on the class's favourite animals and making pictograms and bar charts on the computers to present our data.
- Continuing to clap and play rhythms on percussion instruments in music.
- Exploring aerial maps and the symbols we can use to make a weather forecast.
- Celebrating Children's Mental Health week by exploring our 4 areas of well-being: Feel, Connect, Do and Learn.

We look forward to seeing you all next week for Parent Consultations. Please speak to the school office if you have not yet booked your appointment.

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

This week in Red Kite we have been learning all about fractions in our maths lessons. We have been thinking about counting in fractions and learning how to convert mixed number fractions into improper fractions and vice versa. In our Literacy we have been writing text based on our book Varmints. The children have practiced using adverbials in our writing and then used a range of sentence types to create a poster asking people to look after nature.

In Science, we have been planning our experiment based around evaporation. We learnt all about the water cycle and all the stages. We then planned an experiment to find out the best way to dry clothes. In our Geography, we have been learning about plate tectonics and where the plates are located.

The children have been working hard this week and are looking forward to our final week before half term.

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

In Golden Eagle class the children have continued to work extremely hard in all subjects and have had a good couple of weeks. We have been enjoying our Literacy unit in which we have been building evidence to support our discussion text of if the beast should be sentenced for kidnapping in Beauty and Beast. The children have worked hard on collecting emotive language and reasons to support any arguments made. In Maths we have been looking at ratio and proportion and the children have been amazing at seeing the additive and multiplicative relationships between the numbers to work out the answers to the problems set to them.

In our Science lessons we have continued to think about classification and the children have enjoyed learning about microorganisms. We have thought about how to classify them as well as investigating how we know that yeast is a living thing.

In our RE lessons, we have continued to think about the Islamic faith and the children have been researching and writing up their understanding of what the Hajj is and why it is so significant to Muslims. In Geography we have continued to think about the Western USA and have looked at the economic activity of some of the different states within this region. We have also thought about the core concept of the water cycle and looked at the various stages of this.

Our Spanish lessons have continued to look at the Olympic Games and we have built our knowledge of how to say the different sports and professions. I have been really impressed with the children's hard work!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Jones and the Stanion team