

Stanbridge Lower School



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Dear Parents/Guardians

The festive season begins at Stanbridge. Ho, Ho, Ho. I have listed below all the essential information you and the children will need for each event.

Christmas Post

The Christmas post box has been put outside the office for the festive season. The children are all invited to write cards to their friends and post them in the box. Last day of posting is 21st December. Year 4 children will then organise deliveries each day.

Student Council - Reverse Advent Calendar - returns by 13th December

This year the Student Council are making a reverse advent calendar. This is a calendar which gives back. The idea is simple; instead of opening the door to a chocolate or picture on a tradition advent calendar, the children do the giving. Each class will make their own Reverse Advent Calendar and following this each child will be given a number to decorate at home, when they bring their finished number back in they also bring a food item for the calendar. The numbers will be sent home within the next couple of days. All food collected will be donated to the Salvation Army foodbank in Leighton Buzzard where all food collected will be given to those in need this Christmas. Suggested items: biscuits, tins, cans, chocolate, any festive food items that aren't perishable. The student council would like me to write these words

"The Student Council would like to make a Reverse Advent Calendar. This is where we donate an item of food in a packet or tin that at the end can be given to a person that really needs it. We need your help to do this. Thank you so much".

School Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 12th December

The children will have their Christmas dinner on the above date. All details are on the website in the newsletter section.

Christmas Competition - Wednesday 12th December

This event is organised by Hobbs, our school meals provider. The children are invited to paint a picture of a reindeer and hand it to the School Cook as you have your lunch on Wednesday 12th December. The winner will win a WHSMITHS voucher. All drawings will be judged by our head teacher. Winning entry will be announced on Thursday 13th December.

Year 3 and 4 Carol Singing - Wednesday 12th December

The Year 3 and 4 children will visit Orchard Lodge Nursing Home, Stanbridge Road, Tilsworth to sing carols to the



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residents. The children will sing traditional carols as well as songs from their school production. The children will walk to Orchard Lodge at 1.15pm and return by 3.30pm.

After School Christmas Production Rehearsals

All details are on the website in the newsletter section.

LC2 Year 4 Carol Service - Thursday 13th December

Mr Wilkins will send out further details next week.

PTFA Class Christmas Hamper Competition - 14th December

All items for the Christmas Hamper must be in school by 14th December. Raffle tickets will be on sale before the Christmas Production and the raffle will be drawn after each production. As detailed below. The hampers will be judged by Miss Godwin and then the children in the winning class will each receive a small prize. Further details are available in Newsletter No5.

Christmas Production: Pre-school Reception and Year 1, - Tuesday 18th December, 2pm

The children in the above year groups will be performing their play called A Wriggly Nativity. The children have all been working hard putting the production together and we look forward to your joining us. The PTFA will be selling raffle tickets prior to the performance and you could win a Christmas hamper. Please can all buggies be left at the front entrance of school. School photographs will be available to purchase after the event. **If you have received a letter about items needed for your child's costumes please send these into school as soon as possible.** If anyone is available to sell raffle tickets prior to the performance please can you speak to Miss Godwin.

Christmas Production: Year 2,3,4, - Wednesday 19th December, 2pm

The children in the above year groups will be performing their play called Nativity Rock. The children have all been working hard putting the production together and we look forward to your joining us. The PTFA will be selling raffle tickets prior to the performance and you could win a Christmas hamper. Please can all buggies be left at the front entrance of school. School photographs will be available to purchase after the event. **If you have received a letter about items needed for your child's costumes please send these into school as soon as possible.** If anyone is available to sell raffle tickets prior to the performance please can you speak to Miss Godwin.

Christmas Parties - Thursday 20th December

Christmas parties will be held in the afternoon. Please can the children bring their party clothes in a named carrier bag. They will get changed in the afternoon before the parties. The children will play party games in their classroom, then get together for a disco and following this enjoy Christmas afternoon tea in their classrooms. Mrs Patterson is currently organizing the food/cake lists and these will be displayed on the wall as you enter the school building via the playground. Please send in the food on the day of the party. All Pre-school children who don't normally attend on that day are welcome to come back to school at 1.30pm to join in the fun.

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 21st December

The School Council have invited the children to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school, these can be worn just for the morning or in afternoon as well to the Christmas parties (see below). If you wear a jumper, the School Council have asked for you to donate £1. All money raised will be used by the School Council on a school project.

PTFA Children's Raffle - Friday 21st December

The PTFA have organised a Christmas raffle for all the children to take part in. All children will be given a raffle ticket and there will be two prizes per class. Each child who doesn't win a prize will be given a small Christmas treat to enjoy.

Last Day of Term - Friday 21st December.

As the children have worked so hard across the term they may bring into school a table top game to play in their



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classrooms and share with their friends.

Christingle Service - Christmas Eve, 4pm.

On behalf of Stanbridge Village Mrs McGregor is organizing the Christingle Service. It will be on Christmas Eve at St John's Church, Stanbridge at 4pm. All are welcome. Collect envelopes and Christingle order forms have been sent out. Please let Mrs McGregor know if you need any more and she looks forward to seeing the children in church on Christmas Eve.

First Day of Spring Term - Monday 7th January

Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you to everyone who sent in a shoebox. This have all now been collected by Samaritan's Purse.

Diary Dates: These will be included on the school calendar on the website. Teachers are currently planning school trips for their classes and other curriculum events will also be organised and as the teachers plan their topics for the term. You will be notified of these accordingly.

12 th December	Christmas Lunch for all children - separate letter to follow
12 th December	Christmas Reindeer Paining in by today
12 th December	Yr3/4 Carol Singing at Orchard Lodge
13 th December	Yr 4 Carol Service in Leighton Buzzard
13 th December	All items for Student Council Christmas Advent Calendar returned by today.
14 th December	Christmas Hamper items to be given in by today
18 th December	Christmas Production: PS, Rec, Yr1 2pm followed by Christmas Hamper Raffle
19 th December	Christmas Production: Yr2,3,4 2pm followed by Christmas Hamper Raffle
20 th December	Christmas Parties 1.15pm
21 st December	Student Council Christmas Jumper Day
21 st December	PTFA Children's Raffle
24 th December	Stanbridge Village Christingle Service, St John's Church, Stanbridge. 4pm
21 st December	Last Day of Term
7th January	1 st Day of Term
W/B 7 th January	Yr3/4 Ukulele lessons start for 10 weeks
W/B 7 th January	Yr 4 Cooking lessons start with specialist cooking teacher
24 th January	Yr3/4 Tag Rugby 2pm
6 th February	Year 4 Class Assembly, 2.45pm
25-27 th February	Year 3 Grafham Residential Field Trip
11 th - 15 th February	Half Term
W/B 18th February	Yr 3 Cooking lessons start with specialist cooking teacher
26 th February	Yr1/2, 3/4 Inclusion Sports Festival 2pm
7 th March	World Book Day - all year groups
14 th March	Year 3 Class Assembly, 2.45pm
19 th March	Yr3/4 High 5 Netball 2pm
21 st March	Science Day - all year groups
26 th March	Parent Consultations 3.30 - 6.30pm
28 th March	Yr1/2 Sports Hall Athletics 2pm
2 nd April	Yr3/4 Girls Football 2pm
3 rd April	Pre-school Class Assembly, 2.45pm
5 th April	Last Day of Term
23 rd April	1 st Day of Term
25 th April	Yr 1/2 Sports Hall Athletics



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9 th May	Year 3/4 High 5 Netball 2pm
20 th May	Year 1 Class Assembly, 2.45pm
20 th - 22 nd May	Yr 4 Residential Field Trip for Year 4
27 th - 31 st May	Half Term
6 th June	Yr 3/4 Kwik Cricket 10am
13 th June	Yr 1/2 Tri Golf 2pm
14 th June	Sport's Day on Field
20 th June	Reception Class Assembly, 2.45pm
27 th June	Yr3/4 Quick Sticks 4pm
2 nd July	Yr 3/4 Orienteering 2pm
11 th July	Children meet their new teacher for the following year
12 th July	Reports and New Class Lists to Parents
15 th July	Open Afternoon 2pm
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19 th July	Yr 4 Award Ceremony
19 th July	Last Day of Term

Yours sincerely

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