Stanbridge Lower School



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Newsletter No 9

9th March 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians

Parent Consultations: 24th March, 3.45 - 5.00pm

Please return the reply slip below to book a Face to Face, Telephone or Zoom call with your teacher. If you book a zoom call and technology fails on the day the teachers will revert to a telephone conversation. We look forward to seeing you all. If you do book a face to face call and have symptoms of Covid on the day, then please do not attend and rebook a telephone or zoom call for a later date.

Please return the reply slip below to your teacher to book a parent consultation.

Little Wandle

We hope you are enjoying reading the new reading books with your children. We are very impressed with the new approach and it is having a good impact already on children's reading. Mrs Forbes has worked hard to implement this and is sending home information to parents as needed about next steps in phonics and gaps in learning. Please ask Mrs Forbes directly, or your class teacher if you have any questions or concerns about your child's reading in school.

World Book Day

Thank you all for sending in donations and all the proceeds will be donated to the Ukraine Appeal. £111 was raised. Mrs Felstead has also been crocheting cup mats in Ukrainian colours and the proceeds of these will be added to the funds from World Book Day.

Trips

Teachers are currently organizing trips for their classes. We are trying to keep the cost of trips as low as possible and I would like to thank the PTFA who are contributing to the costs of the coaches to reduce costs further. Trips will take place across this term and the summer term.

















Herrings Green Bird of Prey Centre

We have organised an Easter treat for the children. Herrings Green Gird of Prey Centre will be visiting school and the children will be able to meet birds of prey and watch them fly and learn about these magnificent birds through a "Keeper's Talk". We hope the children enjoy this.

PTFA News

The PTFA are organizing events for the rest of this academic year for all the children to enjoy. Look out for the Mother's Day Cake Sale and Easter events for the children which the PTFA will forward more details about nearer the time.

Choir and Chess Club

The choir and chess club have opened up again and the children in Year 4 are currently enjoying these. Year 3 choir will open up after Easter.

Queen's Jubilee

Mrs Ashpole is currently planning an event so the children in school can learn about and celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Further details will follow. Mrs Veronica Clarke (governor) has also organised for trees to be planted in the Woodland Garden and she will be working with the Reception class next week planting these with the teachers and children in Reception next week. A separate letter has been sent out about this to the Reception class.

Don't forget on 8th July school will be closed - this date has been moved to coincide with other LC2 schools in Leighton Buzzard and a letter was sent out in November called LC2 Queen's Jubilee and can be read on our website. It said the following...

I am sure you are aware that an additional bank holiday has been added to the national calendar next year, to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The published date is Thursday 2nd June, with the late May Bank Holiday moved from Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June, providing the UK with a long weekend at the beginning of June.

These dates all fall within the May half term holiday, so as a result, school employees have been granted an additional non-contact day when school will be closed to pupils so that they too get to benefit from an additional day of holiday. Within the Leighton-Linslade community, we have consulted with the Upper Schools to ensure that we do not encroach on any examination dates, and agreed that on Friday 8th July all schools will be closed to pupils.

Class Letters, Topic Plans and Gaps in Learning

In response to the parents view questionnaire last term we continue to send out half termly newsletters alongside topic plans which can be viewed on your class page on our website at www.stanbridge.beds.sch.uk. We have received good feedback about this and parents say they now feel more informed and know what to work on at home with their children. The teachers always include gaps in learning in their newsletters. Topic plans tell you what your child is learning about in school that half term.

Yours sincerely

Miss R J Godwin Head Teacher

















Parent Consultation - Reply Slip					
Child's Name:					

I would like to book a Parent Consultations via on 24th March, 3.45 - 5.00pm

Telephone Consultation	Please Indicate Time Preference	Confirmation of Consultation Time by Teacher Please return this slip back to the parent.
Zoom Consultation	Please Indicate Time Preference	Confirmation of Consultation Time by Teacher Please return this slip back to the parent.
Face to Face in the school hall	Please Indicate Time Preference	Confirmation of Consultation Time by Teacher Please return this slip back to the parent.

<u>Diary Dates:</u> 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.

21 st March	Poetry week in school
24 th March	Parent Consultations
31 st March	Girls Football Competition Year 3/4 - Miss Waller to advise
tbc	Swimming Yr 4
Summer Term	Cooking Lessons Year 2
21st April	Hockey Festival Yr 3/4 - Miss Waller to advise
Month of May	KS1 SATs Testing Period
Month of May	School Games Sports tbc
5 th May	Art afternoon for all children - Floral flowers
10 th May	Cluster Sports Yr 1,2 - Miss Waller to advise
11 th May	Careers Day for all year groups
19 th May	Netball Competition Yr 3/4 - Miss Waller to advise
25 th - 27 th May	Grafham Residential Field Trip - Year 4
Week of 6 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Test
Month of June	Phonics Screen Test for Year 1
10 th June	Sports Day 2pm on school field
14 th June	Summer Sports Cluster Meeting Yr 3/4 - Miss Waller to advise



















16 th June	Cricket Festival Yr 3/4 - Miss Waller to advise
6 th July	Year 4 Transfer Day
14 th July	Children visit new classes for next year
14 th July	Reports sent home
14 th July	Tennis Festival Year 3/4 - Miss Waller to advise
18 th July	Open Afternoon and informal parent consultations
20 th July	Year 4 Leavers Assembly













