Stanbridge Lower School





Flu Jab Reminders

Please remember to register online for your child's flu jab – this needs to be done by 3rd October – you can find the link on the school website under letters.

PTFA Bag2School Collection

The more we collect, the more we raise! Drop your bags off in the playground on <u>12th October by</u> <u>9am</u> and they do the rest!

Harvest Festival Weds 4th October
PS, Rec and Year 1: 9.30 – 10.00
Year 2,3,4: 10.30 – 11.00

Can children bring donations for the Leighton Buzzard Food Bank into school on Mon 2nd/Tue 3rd Oct - tins, cans and packets please.

	PE Days	Forest School
R	Jan: Wed PM	Weds
1	Tues & Thu	Thu
2	Thu & Fri	Weds
3	Mon & Wed	Spring
4	Mon & Wed	Monday

Newsletter 2: Thu 28th Sept 2023

A NOTE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents & Carers,

I am trialling a more informal newsletter to share updates, reminders and celebrations with parents. I will continue to send a more formal newsletter when needed, but hope you find this useful.

Over the last few weeks, I have been visiting classrooms and I continue to be impressed by how much the children enjoy learning here at Stanbridge; forest school in Pre-School, phonics in YR & Y2, amazing stories in Yr1, French in Yr3 and impressive art in Yr4. Lots of great learning going on!

Thankyou to those of you who were able to support the parent information sessions over the last two weeks. If you were unable to attend, please visit your child's class page and do speak with your child's teacher if you have any questions. Thankyou also to those teachers who presented.

I look forward to seeing you at next week's Harvest; we will do our best to accommodate everyone, but it will be tight, so we ask that you leave pushchairs outside and limit the amount of guests you bring.

Finally, appointment letters for the Autumn Parent Consultation will be going out tomorrow. Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Kind regards, Miss Gooding (Headteacher)

Be Smart & Be Proud

All children should be wearing the correct school uniform; this is an important part of the Stanbridge identity.

PE kits must be in school on PE days; we are happy for children to leave kits in school if this helps.

Stanbridge Pumpkin Patch for Harvest

All children are invited to decorate a pumpkin for Harvest; cutting, decorating, drawing or marking their pumpkin are some of the ways they might be creative. Pumpkins should be brought into school on **Monday 2nd October** and placed on the front patch of grass for everyone to see; pumpkins will be judged on Tuesday 4th October, so please ensure you can identify which is yours. Good Luck.

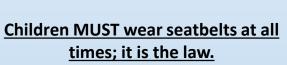




Courteous & Safe Parking

Please be mindful of our neighbours when picking up and dropping off at the school. Remember to park considerately and not across driveways, as well as turning the engine off when waiting to avoid unnecessary fumes.

Please also avoid parking in the allocated bus parking. This is for buses or those with a blue disabled badge only. Thankyou for your support with this.





ATTENDANCE MATTERS

6 days or less absence per year

97% or above

VERY GOOD THIS IS YOUR TARGET Between 7 and 19 days absence per year

90% - 96%

BELOW EXPECTATIONS Ihan 19 days absence per year

POOR ATTENDANCE

Attendance & Punctuality

Whole school attendance is currently 93% - we need to be at least 95%

Please continue to ensure your child is in school and on time every day. We will be monitoring attendance closely and will be in contact if we have concerns about your child. Your child's attendance should be 97% or above.

ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Autumn Dates & Events 2023: newly added dates in red			
October- awaiting date	Pegasus Award – Induction Training for children		
Mon 2 nd – Fri 6 th Oct	Harvest Pumpkin Patch; design or decorate your own pumpkin for the Stanbridge Pumpkin Patch – prizes for the most original pumpkins!		
Weds 4 th Oct	Harvest Festival: PS, R, Yr1: 9.30 – 10.00 Yr 2,3,4: 10.30 – 11.00		
Thu 5 th Oct 2pm	Yr1,2,3,4 Run for Fun Event		
Thu 5 th Oct; times TBC	Flu Immunisations in school		
Mon 9th Oct – Fri 20 th Oct	Mrs Brewer on Jury Service – Mrs Kately covering Yr4		
Weds 11 th Oct 3.45-6.00	YR, Yr1, Yr2, Yr3 Parent Consultations; face to face meetings in school		
Weds 2 nd Nov 3.45-6.00	Re-scheduled Parent Consultations for Yr4		
Tues 31st Oct 2pm	Yr3 & Yr4 Cluster Festival; information to follow		
Thu 16 th Nov	School Photographer for individual photographs and group photos of siblings in school		
Mon 6th- Thu 9th Nov	We Will Remember Project Week: Art & Writing Focus		
Fri 10th Nov	Whole School: We Will Remember Exhibition – parents & carers invited – Yr groups allocated time slots throughout the morning		
Thu 16th Nov	Yr3 &4 Sportshall Athletics; information to follow		
17th Nov	Children in Need		
13th Dec	Christmas Production: PS, R, Yr 1: 9.45am Yr 2,3,4: 1.45am		
To be confirmed	Christmas Dinner at School		
Mon 18th Dec	Carols & Cakes: Carols on the Playground followed by a Christmas Bake Sale: 3.30pm – 4.30pm – parents and carers invited		
Tue 19 th Dec	Christmas Parties in school		
Community Event: Ch	ristingle Service at St Johns Stanbridge – date to be confirmed		
Other key dates	for Spring already agreed:		
Thu 7 th March	World Book Day – more details to follow		
Wed 13 th March	Parent Consultations: choice given of face to face or telephone consultations		
Wed 22 nd - Wed 24 th May	Grafham Residential Field Trip – Year 3 and 4 – more details to follow		



Parent Insight

Childhood Mental Health



Guest speakers from PoetsIN a Creative Mental Health Charity.

A Charity Created For People Struggling With Their Mental Health By Two Poets Who Have Struggled Too.

Parent Session

Thursday 28th September 2023 4.30-5.30pm

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/694086420167?aff=oddtdtcreator

Resources will be shared after the workshop.

Organised by the CBC North Localities Early Help Teams:

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