



HAPPY CAMPERS!

Early last month, from the 10th October to the 14th October, Year 6 waved a warm goodbye to their parents before going on a life-changing adventure! They got a coach to the Outdoor Adventure Centre in Bude (Cornwall), for an action-packed trip and masses of fun.

Stanbridge pupils went on a school trip to participate in a variety of obstacles and challenges. Surfing; archery; canoeing; problem solving and orienteering, were just some of the amazing activities year 6 experienced! However according to some data handling the class favourites were body-boarding and abseiling.

Body-boarding was so cool... the students zoomed through the waves, performing tricks and having tremendous amounts of fun. Although the pupils were crashing into each other at the start, they soon became pro body-boarders with fantastic skills. "That was so cool!" commented a year 6 child "Why can't I do that again?"

Body-boarding may have been fun, but abseiling was something special. They felt frightened as they walked



slowly off the edge of the cliff. However they still had the time of their lives! The year 6's were feeling a number of emotions such as: scared, excited, cold and indeed very proud.

To conclude the children had an awesome adventure with struggles, joys and lots and lots of fun. They were nervous about leaving their family and looking after themselves, but their fears washed away when they arrived. Abby, 10, (a year 6 pupil) quoted that she was scared at the start but she loved it. Would you like to go on such a great trip?

Report by Abby 6A

HAPPY CAMPERS (CONT'D)!

On Monday 10th October the happy campers from Stanbridge Primary embarked on a daring trip to Outdoor Adventure in Bude. The excited Year 6's went on their residential trip to develop their team-work skills and build on their friendships.

Fifty-three children travelled on a coach and

finally arrived at Widemouth Bay in Cornwall. They were all very thrilled about the action packed week that they had ahead of them. The teachers (Mr McGovern, Miss Lazenby, Mr Williams and many others) arranged the spectacular trip to Outdoor Adventure for the children.

The activities that the adventurous Year 6's had to face were daring, courageous and enterprising but the children were up to the challenge. Instructors commented: "That week was amazing and magnificent and the children had a spiffing time!"

Report by Lucy 6B

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 1st & 3rd Nov, 3.45—6.30pm—Parents Evenings and Pick and Mix Homework workshops
- Tues 8th Nov, 7pm—PTA Friends of Stanbridge meeting at the school
- Tues 8th Nov, 3.20pm—Year 2 class visits for Parents/Carers
- Thurs 10th Nov, 7-9pm—Governors Curriculum Committee meeting
- Mon 14th Nov (Yr 1)/Tues 15th Nov (Yr 2) - 9—9.30am Parent/Carer reading and phonic workshops
- Tues 15th Nov, 3.20pm—Reception class visits for parents/carers
- Wed 16th Nov, 2.45pm—Year 5 assembly and class visits for parents/carers
- Thurs 17th Nov, 7-9pm—Governors Resources Committee meeting
- Fri 18th Nov—Children in Need Day—Wear something spotty to school!
- Mon 21st Nov, 7-9pm—Full Governing Body Meeting
- Fri 25th Nov, 4.30—7.30pm—PTA Friends of Stanbridge Christmas Shopping event
- Thurs 8th Dec—School Christmas Dinner
- Mon 12th Dec, 5pm—Infant Nativity at Christchurch, Downend.
- Tues 13th Dec, evening (Time TBC) — Junior Nativity at Downend Secondary school

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Year 1 & 2 Parent/Carer Reading & Phonic Workshops

We would like to invite Year 1 and 2 Parents/Carers to attend a workshop about reading and phonics on Mon 14th (Yr 1) and Tues 15th (Yr 2) Nov from 9—9.30am.

This will be an opportunity to hear more about how we teach reading and phonics at school and share ideas about how you can help your child at home.

We hope you are able to join us for this event.



PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP (PIP)

Our first PIP meeting, held on Thursday 13th October, was a huge success and was very well attended. As a result, we now have representatives from every class and a large group of 25-30 parents who are keen to be involved in meeting once per term to offer feedback and share ideas about school developments.

During the first meeting, we did an activity to prioritise what we should discuss at the next few meetings. Topics included, the curriculum, playtimes and lunchtimes, homework and home learning, Ofsted and behaviour and anti bullying.

In term 2, our meeting will take place on Friday 9th December from 9—10am. Our focus will be the curriculum and playtimes and lunchtimes.

The table on the right provides information about our PIP class representatives and other parent/carers members. You are welcome to pass feedback and ideas through them or use an OWL form.

Class	Membership	Class Representative
RA	Kiran Ganpatlal	Leonie Pollinger
RB	Gemma Kendall Gemma Webb Jenny Tucker	Sharon Murdoch
1A	Helen Strong Claire Buckingham Anne Marie Holland	Claire Bragg
1B	Julie Toy	Sandie Bidwell
2A	Natalie Hughes Lisa Evett	Joanne Matthews
2B	Gemma Kendall Leonie Pollinger Stacy Pritchard Jenny Tromans Maggie Bowyer Kate Hooper	Hayley Robbins
3A	Sayed Ishtiaq Shah	Jackie Weathrall-King
3B	Gemma Webb Kirsty Poole	Jenny Tucker
4A	Lisa Williams	Lou Ashton
4B	Sayed Ishtiaq Shah Anne Marie Holland	Helen Strong Kirsty Poole
5A	Sayed Ishtiaq Shah Sharon Murdoch	Julie Rogers
5B	Revayi Mabutse Jenny Tucker	Jenny Tromans
6A	Lou Ashton	Claire Buckingham
6B		Sandie Bidwell

AWARDS AND CELEBRATIONS

At Stanbridge, we are so proud to see the children, aiming high and flying!

Following feedback from parents, we invited our Head Teacher award winners families to our assembly on the last day of term to share in the celebrations. We will aim to text parents/carers each week if your child receives an 'Aim High and Fly' award or a Stanbridge All Star award so that you can have the opportunity to come into assembly.

At the end of Term 1, we were pleased to give out our good behaviour letters, with 92% of the children receiving one!

Those children who received a Stage 3 sanction last term, will be encouraged to aim high next term and work towards receiving a good behaviour letter at the end of Term 2.

Children can also earn house points for good work, good manners, excellent effort

and all round achievement in school.

There are so many opportunities for children to receive encouragement and praise for working hard and doing their best!



OUR NEW SCHOOL MOTTO...
AIM HIGH AND FLY!



NOTICES

Pick and Mix Homework

Were you unable to attend one of our workshops on 1st/3rd Nov about our new Pick and Mix Homework?

Not to worry! We have a parents/carers guide that will be sent home. If you do not have a copy, you can collect one from the Reception office entrance area. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to see your child's class teacher.

Children in Need

On Friday 18th Nov we will be supporting Children in Need. Children are welcome to come to school in non school uniform and wear something spotty. A donation can be made (suggested 50p) to the Children in Need charity.



School Diary Dates

Please remember to check this Newsletter for extra Diary Dates to add to your School Calendar.

The calendar was accurate going to press, but extra dates are added during the year.



Homework Club for all.

Every Monday lunchtime in the Computer Suite, 12.00 to 1.00pm

INTRODUCING STANBRIDGE SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

The School Council meets regularly to discuss ideas and issues relating to school life. At the last meeting on 19th October all year groups attended and the following were discussed:

- Good behavior people get to sit on benches
- Wake and Shake in assembly
- New lunch boxes
- Make assembly short
- A whole school award
- Special awards for different subjects
- Keep lunch boxes

School Council Members

<u>Foundation and Infants</u>		<u>Juniors</u>	
RA	Lauren & Freddie	3A	Cameron & Ella
RB	Jack & Eva	3B	Joe & Hannah
1A	Harvey & Maggie	4A	Freya & Tyler
1B	Joshua & Evie	4B	Leah & Oliver
2A	Tommy & Chloe	5A	Kate & Will
2B	Alexandra & Harvey	5B	Finlay & Louise
		6A	Chloe & Edward
		6B	Carlos & Ellie

School Photographs

The photograph proofs have now been sent home, with the exception of some family photos which were incorrect and will follow in due course.

Please send your order into school as soon as possible.

The deadline is:
Fri. 11th Nov.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION RESULT

Following our recent Parent Governor Election we are pleased to announce that Dr Peter Webb was duly elected to stand as a Parent Governor for the school for a term of 4 years.

Our congratulations go to Dr Webb and we would like to welcome him onto the board of Governors.

Dr Webb has two boys in

school, one in Year 3 and one in Reception. He has 20 years experience in the higher education sector at the Universities; Bristol, UWE, Birmingham and Goldsmiths and currently Cambridge. He teaches Sociology and has a wide range of expertise in administration, mentoring and departmental organisation.

Christmas Lunch Bookings

The School Christmas Dinner is on **Thursday 8th December**.

If your child wishes to have the Christmas meal it must be booked and paid for in advance.

Booking forms will be sent home on Friday 18th November. Please look out for this letter.

Note: There will be no roast dinner on Wed. 7th Dec. The menu will be swapped from the Thursday to the Wednesday.

LEAFLETS

VARIOUS NON-SCHOOL ORGANIZATION LEAFLETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE ENTRANCE FOYER. PLEASE POP IN TO FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON..

(THE SCHOOL TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR EVENTS OR ACTIVITIES ADVERTISED ON THESE LEAFLETS)

NOTICES

Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be on sale in school next week and we ask for a donation of 50p/£1



DINNER MONEY ARREARS

We would like to remind parents that dinner money should be paid **in advance**.

We currently have over 60 payments outstanding.

If you have an outstanding amount of dinner money please pay this immediately.

Letters are sent out weekly detailing amounts owing so please check your child's bag for any communication.

Water not Squash!

We are keen to encourage all our pupils to drink water and they are allowed to have a water bottle in class if it contains water.

Please note any bottles containing squash for lunchtime must be placed on the lunchbox trolley at the start of the day and will not be allowed in class.

PUPIL ARRIVAL TIMES

Entry doors are now open from 8.45am to 8.55am.

This system is working very well and the pupils are more settled and able to commence work in class at 8.55am.

We expect your child to be at school in plenty of time to settle into class which means arriving at 8.55am or later is not the best for your child.

Please note that all pupils who arrive after 8.55am will receive a late mark.



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Get in touch



Contact the school office for:

- Notification of sickness (choose option 1 when phoning)
- To make an appointment with a class teacher
- General school enquiries: trips, uniform, dinner money, lost property, dates etc.



Telephone: 01454 862000

Or pop into the lobby at the front of the school to visit the receptionist.

Please be aware that teachers are extremely busy in the mornings between 8.30 and 8.55am, preparing for lessons. If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher, please send a note or make an appointment for the end of the day. For urgent enquiries, please see a member of staff in the reception office, who will be very happy to help. Thank you.

Have you visited the school website recently? You can find...

- **Past newsletters and handouts**
- **Dates for your diary**
- **School achievements and celebrations**

FRIENDS OF STANBRIDGE PTA CHRISTMAS EVENT



Christmas Fayre and Disco

The Friends of Stanbridge are holding a Christmas Disco, Market and Craft Fayre event on

**Friday 25th November
from 4.30 pm.**

The Infant Disco will be from 5.00- 6.00 pm and the Junior Disco from 6.15 pm to 7.15 pm.

While the Children are having fun at the Disco, Parents/Carers and other children can make some

Christmas crafts and look around the Christmas Market, which will include stalls from Neals Yard, Phoenix Cards, Avon, Sock Monkeys, jams/chutneys and handmade jewellery.

Letters will be sent home next week to book places at the Discos. Please let us know if you can help on the night.

We are hoping this event will be a huge success and look forward to seeing you there!

EGM

**We are holding a
Extraordinary General
Meeting on Tuesday 8th
November at 7pm to
recruit a permanent Chair
and a treasurer. Without
these 2 roles the PTA
cannot continue to
fundraise for your
school, will not be
insured and will have to
fold, making this
Christmas event the last
that we can
organise.**

**We urgently need your
help and look forward to
seeing you there.**

School Office Opening Hours

**8.45am to 3.30pm
Mon - Fri**

Closed daily
between 9.15am
and 9.45am for
registration



Please come
along to our
EGM on Tues
8th Nov. 7pm
in school.

