



STANBRIDGE PRIMARY
SCHOOL

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WWW.STANBRIDGEPRIMARY.CO.UK



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, dates etc.
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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**

OTHER NEWS AND NOTICES ...

Water Bottles

Please can we remind parents that children must bring their water bottles into school, and a drink to have with packed lunch.

Water is available from drinks fountains in school throughout the day to ensure they stay hydrated.

However, when having packed lunch outside we are unable to provide water so it is essential they have a drink with their packed lunch or use their water bottle.

If you wish to purchase a school water bottle, they can be ordered by using the uniform request sheets in the front foyer.

The cost of the bottle is £2.00.

Friends of Stanbridge

Thank you to everyone who donated clothing bags to our Clothes for a Cause collection on Friday 20

April....we raised an amazing £225.50!! Don't forget that our next Table Top Sale is taking place on Saturday 19 May from 10.00 am – 1.00 pm. If you would like to reserve a table, please contact Vickie or Gemma or email fospta@ymail.com.

Tables cost £5.00 per table (plus a cake donation for our cake stall). We look forward to seeing you all there.

Friends of Stanbridge

***** VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO HELP AT OUR SUMMER FAYRE FRIDAY 29 JUNE *****

If you are able to spare any time at all to either help at the Fayre, help to set up or help to pack away we would be extremely grateful.

Please contact Vickie Coleman or Gemma Kendall if you are able to help. Thank you.

School Office Opening Hours

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

Closed daily between
9.15am and 9.45am
for registration
procedures



LOST PROPERTY

If your child has lost an item of their property they are encouraged to look and find it themselves.

If a parent wishes to come in to school to help look for it please come to the office at the end of the school day in order to be signed in.

STANBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL...



STANBRIDGE NEWS



ISSUED MONTHLY, USUALLY THE FIRST WEEK OF THE MONTH

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SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

The School Travel Plan group met recently and decided that campaigning for a reduction in the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph on the Westerleigh Road would be their main focus. As a result the group will be monitoring speed and congestion issues around the school site over the coming weeks and inviting a local Councillor in to see for themselves how busy it can be on the Westerleigh Road when both Stanbridge and Downend Schools reach the end of the school day. In addition to these actions we would also like to encourage parents/carers to inform the School Travel group of any incidents or near misses they experience when dropping off or collecting their child or children from school. This can take the form of a short note put

into their child's book bag or sent through to the school office, that outlines anything parents/carers see relating to speed or parking close to our site that they consider to have been unsafe in any way.



Such notes should not contain the names of individuals or car registration numbers, instead just a brief outline of what was witnessed; in this way we can build up a bank of evidence to present to the council as to why we feel a 20mph speed limit on the Westerleigh Road is urgently needed.

Thank you very much.

School Travel Group



SPEEDWATCH

A Neighbourhood Watch community group in Downend and Bromley Heath are looking for volunteers to come forward to be trained to form a voluntary SPEEDWATCH in the community. Could you be one of the team? If so please contact Bill on 0117 956 3325 or via email at: contactus@bhnw.org.uk.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

The week beginning May 22nd will be our annual Walk to School week during which we will be encouraging as many members of our school community as possible to take advantage of the (hopefully) good summer weather and walk some or all of their way to school. We will keep a record of the number of children who inform us that they have walked to school each morning. From the statistics gathered we will calculate which class had the highest percentage of walkers during that week and they will win our 'Golden Boot' award.

Walking to school as often as possible ties in with our focus on keeping fit and healthy, especially in the run up to the national celebrations surrounding the Olympics this year.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Tues 8th May, 2.45pm—Yr 2 SATS Information Meeting for Parents in school hall
- Wed 9th May, 5-7pm—Curriculum Governors Meeting
- Wed 9th May & Mon 14th May—Yr 2 Warburton's Sandwich making workshops (Pm)
- Sat 12th May, 11am—1pm—Pre-School Family Fun Day
- Week Commencing Mon 14th May—Year 3 Block Swimming every afternoon.
- Week Commencing Mon 14th May—SATs week.
- Mon 14th May, 7-9pm—Full Governors Meeting
- Friday 18th May—Choir Assembly—all choir parents invited.
- Sat 19th May, 10am—1pm—FoS PTFa Table Top Sale
- Week Commencing Monday 21st May, Year 2 Assessment Week and Walk to School Week
- Mon 21st May—Year 2 Assessment Week.
- Wed 23rd May—Sports Day (KS2 morning, KS1 afternoon)
- Mon 28th and Tues 29th May—School Days Film Crew in school
- Thursday 31st May—PTA Cake Sale
- Fri 1st June—Inset Day—SCHOOL CLOSED
- Mon 11th June—First Day of Term 6
- Sat 16th June—Mangotsfield Festival—Choir singing

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A helping hand!

Have you seen our **Numeracy page** on our school website?

<http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/numeracy.html>

This page provides information about how to help your child with calculation strategies. It explains the methods that web use in school.

We also have a wonderful **parents area** with information about local support groups.

<http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/handouts.html>

Can you sponsor us?

BRISTOL 10K RUN

"We are delighted to have 6 entrants running the Bristol 10km race, on Sun 20th May, to raise at least £1,000 for books for the new library: Jackie Weathrall-King, Julie and Paul Gwatkin, Mark Venables, Isobel and Gary Horswell.

We have been promised over £500 in sponsorship so far but need your help to raise more.



Please sponsor the team by

- pledging money on the sign up sheets in reception;
- by putting cash or a cheque payable to "Friends of Stanbridge" in an envelope marked "FOS-Bristol 10km"
- or via Paypal.
- Our Paypal ID is friendsofstanbridgepta@yahoo.co.uk.

All pledges should be paid by June 22nd. Thank you."

THE TOY COLLECTOR

A stranger came this morning
Dressed in black and green
Put every toy into a bag
Being very mean

The little boy's transformer
The teenager's x-box game
My best friend's new cricket bat
He took them all the same

The sword Jack got at Christmas
Sam's expensive giant kite
Mike's favourite action man
He really had no right

A stranger came this morning
Left nothing but a letter
It said 'I really like your stuff!'
Signed the toy collector.

Rohan—Year 3

SPORTS DAY PLANS—SAVE THE DATE!

WITH THE SUMMER MONTHS APPROACHING, PLEASE REMEMBER TO APPLY SUNCREAM BEFORE LEAVING HOME AND SEND YOUR CHILD IN WITH A SUN HAT, DRINKING WATER IN A SUITABLE BOTTLE.



Our plans for sports day are progressing well! Please put the following dates in your diary:

Wed 23rd May—Sports Day (weather permitting) 9.30am—12 noon for Key Stage 2 and 1pm—3pm for EYFS and Key Stage 1.

Wed 20th June—back up day for Sports Day if bad weather (am and pm as above)

As it is the year of the Olympics, we are looking forward to a host of sporting events leading up to our sports day. As usual we will have some races and activity

stations as well as some other fun and games! We hope you are able to join us for this special event and we hope the weather is kind to us!



Year 2 SATS Assessment Meeting for Parents/Carers

We would like to invite all Year 2 parents/carers to an information session about Year 2 assessments. This will take place on Tuesday 8th May at 2.45pm in the computer suite. Please sign in at the school office.

We look forward to seeing you there. All information will also be put onto the Year 2 class page following the meeting and the staff are on hand to answer any questions you may have.

MRS COTTIS

We would like to inform parents that Mrs Cottis has decided to take early retirement in order to do some travelling and will be retiring in January 2013.

This may seem a long way off but when the time comes she will be sorely missed but we wish her well for the future.

NOTICES

CLASS ORGANISATION AND STAFFING FOR SEPTEMBER

We understand that you all are eager to know the class organisation and staffing for next academic year. The Partner Heads have been working on this and will be sharing this information with parents in Term 6.

COATS

Pupils go outside to play in all but extreme weathers and many pupils particularly those who are dropped off by car are not equipped with appropriate outerwear for playtimes. Please remind your child/children to bring a coat to school for playtimes and lunchtime.

ROYAL BANQUET

Thursday 31st May

A special menu will be served on this day to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

The children are invited to wear their crowns to lunch—so please remember to bring them in.

Look out for the special menu coming home soon.



MAD OLYMPIAD ADVERTISING

Taylor's Estate Agents have very kindly offered to sponsor our summer's Olympiad. Taylor's are supplying boards for gardens advertising the Olympiad.

We have 5 boards coming to us at Stanbridge and already have two parents who have volunteered to have one in their front garden but need three more volunteers. The ideal location would be on a through road which has plenty of passing traffic.

If you would be prepared to do this please let the office know. Thank you!

Year 4 WWII Residential

On Thursday 3rd May we held a parents information evening about the Year 4 WWII residential. The rip will take place from 11-13th July. A £30 deposit is required by 25th May if you would like to secure a place for your child. We have put the PowerPoint slides, trip letter and further information onto the Year 4 class page of our website. Please see Mrs Fishlock if you have any questions.

BEEHIVE COMPETITION

Neal's Yard Remedies would love you to enter our Best Dressed Beehive Competition. Simply visit the school website using the link below to download a form or drop into the school office to pick up a paper copy. Decorate or dress your beehive with a design of your choice and then return to school by 29th June. There will be a prize for each Key Stage and winners will be announced in celebration assembly the following week.

<http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/handouts.html>
www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/



Active Kids Vouchers

We would like to let you know that we are collecting Active Kids vouchers.

Please can you ensure all vouchers are handed in by Monday 21st May at the latest.



HOW CAN YOU HELP US? Donations, volunteers, manpower etc., required...

Gym Refurbishment—We have won a bid for 'Friends Life' charity to send 10 volunteers and supply paint to redecorate the Gym this year but we need an additional 10 helpers who would be willing to join us at some point in the week commencing 18th June. We would also like some new curtains if possible. We can buy the fabric but wondered if anyone may be able to make them for us?

We are also looking for donations of paint brushes, white spirit and cloths, and the loan of some ladders. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Mrs Fishlock in the school office. Thank you.

Reading Rangers—We are looking for a team of parents who can regularly volunteer to be our Reading Rangers—many parents already help out. We would like to offer some training and develop a programme of listening to children read across the school. Please give your details to the Reception Office staff if you are interested.

Charity Grants—Could you help us with applying for charity grants? We need help filling in forms for bids and grants. If you could do this, please contact Mrs Fishlock.

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 (CONT'D)

Reminder Inset Days:

We will be having an Inset Day on Friday 1st June 2012.

Our Inset Days for 2012 are:

- Mon 3rd September 2012
- Mon 7th January 2012
- Fri 22nd March 2012
- Fri 24th May 2012
- Wed 24th July 2012

SCHOOL CAR PARK

We have received numerous complaints about parents using the school car park when dropping off and collecting their children.

In the interests of the safety of our school community parents are NOT allowed to park in or drop off children in the school car park during the school day.

Please respect this rule.

Lollipop Person

Following the resignation of our current Lollipop Person on 30th March 2012, there is currently a vacancy. This is an extremely valuable role in keeping our children safe. If you are interested please contact:

Wendy Feltham

Road Safety Officer from the LA

Tel: 01454 863611:

South Gloucestershire Council
Road Safety Education
P O Box 2081
Thornbury
South Gloucestershire
BS35 9BP

PIP

Our Parents In Partnership Group continue to meet every term with the Partner Head Teachers. We value parents/carers feedback.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 14th June at 9.30am.

Minutes of previous meetings can be found on our website.

<http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/pip.html>