



STANBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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, 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**

### NOTICES

#### FOOD AND DRINK SCHOOL POLICY

Stanbridge is a healthy school. We promote healthy eating and would like to remind parents/carers that sweets and chocolate bars are not permitted at playtimes or in lunchboxes. Children may bring a healthy snack (preferably fruit/vegetables) for playtimes. Children may bring juice for lunchtimes. **Clear water bottles are required for drinks in class AND MUST BE FILLED WITH WATER ONLY.** Clear water bottles can be purchased from the office or shop bought clear bottles can be used.

#### Squash/Juice

Squash/juice cartons can be bought in for lunchtimes only.



This is due to sticky spillages, ant infestations and the promotion of water drinking.

#### Nut Products

Nut products (or products containing nuts of any kind) are not permitted in school at all due to children in



school who have serious nut allergies with dangerous reactions.

We thank you for your support with this school policy.

#### 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.

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# STANBRIDGE NEWS



ISSUED MONTHLY, USUALLY THE FIRST WEEK OF THE MONTH

SEPTEMBER 2012

VOLUME 2: ISSUE 1

## AIM HIGH AND FLY! STRIVE TO NEW HEIGHTS TOGETHER...

Welcome back to all our families and hello to some new faces—staff, children and parents.

Our school motto, 'Aim High and Fly!' has a new addition... 'Strive to new



heights together.' This year we are looking forward to building on our successes and we are looking forward to Ofsted visiting us in Term 2 to share our continued good progress.

This week you will have received our Good Behaviour booklet with our two golden rules:

- Everyone has the right to feel happy and safe in school.
- Everyone has the right to work without distractions.

Each class has added in their own class charter linked to these rules. Please share these with your child. Strong home/school partnerships are essential when ensuring children reach their potential in learning and behaviour.

We have been very proud of all the children and they have settled into the new school year very well.

We will continue to celebrate achievements with our, 'Aim High and Fly' awards. Each class will also nominate an All Star award winner each

week. Parents/carers will be text to invite you into assembly to share this celebration. Please make sure your contact details are up to date with the school office.



This year we are looking forward to further developments in our school library with a digitised borrowing system. We are also planning to add to our Maths and science resources. Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working with you in the year ahead.

## EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

We are committed to ensuring communication to and from school is effective.

An **OWLS** form is used for parents/carers to tell us **O**: Opportunities of offers of time, resources or expertise to support the work of the school; **W**: What is going well? **L**: Listening ear—share any

concerns or complaints you may have; **S**: Suggestions and ideas. Please see the Reception Office for a form.

Non urgent messages about learning can be written into the Reading Record book and a teacher will respond. For urgent messages that the class teacher will need to know straight away, please either send a note with your child into school,

see the teacher face to face or telephone/pop into the school reception office.

Our monthly newsletter, termly class newsletters, coffee mornings and the school website will also be ways we ensure parents/carers remain well informed about school life.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- *Fri 14th Sept, 9.00am —Parents' Reading Ranger Meeting.*
- *Mon 17th Sept, 6.30pm to 8.30pm—Full Governing Body Meeting*
- *Fri 14th September 9.00am to 9.45am—Reading Rangers Workshop*
- *Mon 24th Sept, 6.00pm to 7.00pm —Governors' Curriculum Committee Meeting*
- *Mon 24th Sept, 7:15pm to 8:15pm—Governors' Resources Committee Meeting*
- *Wed 26th Sept, 7pm—PTA AGM*
- *Fri 30th Sept, 9.30am to 10.03am—PIP Meeting*
- *Thurs 27th Sept, 2.30pm to 4.30pm—Macmillan Coffee Afternoon in the gym*
- *Mon 8th October—School Photographers in school for all pupils*
- *Mon—Fri 15th to 19th October—Year 6 Residential Camp*
- *Mon 22nd October—Schools' Assembly Team in school*
- *Weds 24th October—Last Day of Term 1*

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**DATES FOR 2013 PUPIL INTAKE**

Do you have a child who is due to start school in September 2013? Come and join us for a tour of the school.

Monday 12th November 2012

6-7pm

Tuesday 20th November 2012

9.30-10.30am

NO APPOINTMENTS NEEDED!

**PIP—PARENTS IN PARTNERSHIP PARENTS/CARERS COFFEE MORNINGS**

**Parents In Partnership (PIP)**



We have an established 'Parents In Partnership' group which helps us consult with parents/carers about school improvement. We have representatives from each class/year group. If you would like to be a part of our PIP group, please see a member of staff at the school reception office.

**Family Skills**

Do you have a particular talent or skill that you would

like to share? We are always keen to involve parents/carers/family members in the life of the school and the children's learning.

Are you creative, an organiser, a scientist, a writer? We want to hear from you! Please let the reception office know if you are able to offer help.

**Parents/Carers Coffee Mornings**

We hold parent/carer coffee mornings in the Terrapin building on Fridays at 9.00am and everyone is welcome to come along.



**Stanbridge Calendar Now On Sale**



We have produced an annual calendar for Stanbridge containing some key dates throughout the year and it has been designed for you to add to throughout the year.

The calendars are on sale for £6.50 and are available from the Reception office.

OUR NEW SCHOOL MOTTO...

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**MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT COFFEE AFTERNOON THURSDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2.30-4.30PM IN THE GYM**



We are delighted to have been given the opportunity to run our coffee morning again this year in aid of Cancer Research. If you would like to support us by donating cakes or biscuits which can be sold at the event (these can be homemade or bought) please can we ask that they are brought into school on the morning of Thursday 27th

September at reception, thank you.

There will be a small number of items on sale directly relating to Macmillan, but private donations are also welcome. Please join us in person if you can, catch up with friends and colleagues, even make new ones and help raise funds for those who are affected by cancer. Thank you in anticipation for your support, we look forward to seeing you. Mrs Fishlock

**NOTICES**

**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**

The school office is open from 8.45am to 3.30pm (closed daily from approx. 9.15am to 9.45am for registration procedures.)

Please note these times and if you are visiting the office at the end of the day, please call in **BEFORE** collecting your child.

Thank you

Notes, payments and letters can be dropped into the Parent/Pupil Post box located in the Foyer by the literature holders.

**SCHOOL MEAL PRICE INCREASE**

The price for a school meal is **£1.75**

Prices are as follows:

- 1 x £1.75
- 2 x £3.50
- 3 x £5.25
- 4 x £7.00
- 5 x £8.75

**Holidays and Attendance**

Please can we remind you that we will not be authorising holidays this year. Parents/carers must write to Miss Bertham to request an absence from school and this will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

This is in line with our secondary schools and many local primary schools. A copy of our policy and parents leaflet can be found on the school website.

**WELCOME TO THE NEW FOUNDATION CLASSES AND NEW TEACHERS!**

We would like to welcome the new reception children to Stanbridge! Following some home visits, the children started school on Wednesday 12th September and will be part time for the next two weeks. We will then look forward to them being full time.

We also have some new staff joining us. Mrs Curtis is a new Higher Level Teaching Assistant who will be working along side Mrs Winterson, our other new HLTA.

Higher Level Teaching Assistants lead the team of TAs across the school and also teach in partnership with the sports coaches while teachers have

weekly Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) time.

Miss Morgan has joined the Year 2 team. Miss McAvoy and Miss Ing are teaching Year 3 and Year 4 while Miss Perry and Mrs Simpson are poorly. Miss Own has joined the EYFS team. All staff and children are looking forward to the year ahead.

As we did last year, we will be inviting in parents/carers to class assemblies and our visitors will have an opportunity to visit the classroom afterwards for children to share their work and achievements.

**Year 2 Wildlife Hunters!**

As an introduction to their wonderful wildlife topic, Year Two have been exploring the school grounds on the hunt for leaves, plants and creepy crawlies. We have draw and identified common British trees and flowers, and look forward to tallying and recording bugs that we have found as part of our data handling in numeracy.



We're collecting Morrisons Let's Grow vouchers.

Please send your vouchers in to school or pop them in the internal post box in the entrance foyer.

**REQUESTS & PARENT SUPPORT**

**PTA Need You!**

The PTA raise fantastic funds for your child to have additional learning resources. Without volunteers it will be unable to continue. We are looking for more people to join us. Come along to the AGM on

**Wed 26th September, 7pm**

at the school to find out more. We would love to see you there!

**A huge thank you to fundraisers!**

We would like to thank Mr and Mrs Strong (and Jack and Ryan) for their 50 hours of voluntary work which has resulted in a £600 donation from The Disney Store. We are looking forward to purchasing some new Maths measuring equipment with this money.



We would also like to thank Mrs Pollinger and Mrs Kendall who raised a massive £830 for school and the Downs Syndrome Charity at an ladies evening event held in the summer holidays. The school were thrilled to receive £415 towards resources for the children.

**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**

**Sending Money and Letters to School**

Please ensure that payments are sent in separate sealed envelopes clearly marked with the pupil's name and class, the amount enclosed and what it is for. Please do not combine payments for different things. Your child should normally take it to class to be put in the class box, however payments and other letters can be posted in the white internal parent/pupil post box located in the entrance lobby.

**SCHOOL CAR PARK**

Please can we remind parents that the school car park is **not** for use by parents throughout the school day.

There is plenty of parking in the surrounding roads but we would like to promote walking to school, so if you have to drive maybe consider parking a little further away and walking the last bit.

**INSET DAYS**

**Our Inset Days for 2012/13 are:**

- Mon 3rd September 2012
- Mon 7th January 2013
- Fri 22nd March 2013
- Fri 24th May 2013
- Wed 24th July 2013

School Term Dates are available from [www.southglos.gov.uk](http://www.southglos.gov.uk) or pick up a leaflet from the foyer.

**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 outer-wear for playtimes.

Please remind your child/children to bring a coat to school for play-times and lunchtime.