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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**

PTA INFORMATION

Happy New Year from the Friends of Stanbridge!

The Christmas Fayre raised just over £2,100! We hope you all enjoyed the event and thanks again for supporting the school.

Adult Quiz Night—Fri. 25th Jan. 8pm start, £2.50 per person.

Bring your own alcoholic refreshments or soft drinks—nibbles will be provided.

Kids Quiz Night—Mon. 28th Jan. 3.45pm start, £1.50 per child. Mixed age tables. Drink and snack included in the price.

Film Night—Thurs. 21st Feb. £2.50 per child which includes drink and popcorn. EYFS & KS1 3.30-5pm

showing Ice Age 4. KS2 5.30—7pm showing Home Alone 2.

Have you had a sort out over Christmas? Did you receive any unwanted gifts? We can accept donation of any of the items below throughout the year:

- Clothes
- Books
- Toys
- Unwanted gifts
- Soft toys
- CDs/DVDs/Video games.

The items can be left in either the lobby or by the white sheds in the KS2 playground.

Sadly the **Invitation Book** will not be printed next year. However the company are setting up an exciting new fundraising opportunity to replace the books on their website www.dealcloud.co.uk. In a nutshell, they will give the school up to 50% of the commission every time a parent linked to our school buys something from deal cloud. There is no risk, obligation or cost to the school; it's simply an easy way to raise funds online. More details on this will be circulated in the future.

PTA UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 25th January
Adult Quiz 7:30pm

Monday 28th January
Children's Quiz 3:30pm

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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SAFER INTERNET DAY—HOW E-SAFE ARE YOU?

Safer Internet Day is celebrated around the world as an opportunity to promote the safe and responsible use of online technology. This year it will take place on **5th February** and this will be the **tenth anniversary** of the event.

The theme for Safer Internet Day 2013 is **Online Rights and Responsibilities** with the slogan "**Connect with Respect**".

Stanbridge will be getting involved in the action! Every class already focuses on keeping safe online within the curriculum but we thought a day to revisit and make sure we are totally safe was a great idea!

We are currently part of a video conferencing project with other local schools and have just got some new kit. E-safety plays a

big part in learning about video conferencing. Mr Woods has been leading on this project and we are looking forward to video conferencing with other children in the



Mangotsfield and Downend area to get to grips with the new kit!

Once we are confident we will be video conferencing on a wider scale... Watch this space!

Questions you could discuss at home are:

- How do you connect with your friends and family?



www.saferinternetday.org

- How do you keep yourself safe?
- How do you show respect to others online?

A parents guide to technology and keeping your child safe can be downloaded from:
<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/a-parents-guide>

Technology is a wonderful tool for learning and we are keen to ensure it enhances learning whilst helping children to know how to keep safe when using it.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- *Fri 25th Jan, 7pm—PTA Adult Quiz*
- *Mon to Fri 28th Jan—1st Feb, 1.30pm—Class 6B One Week Block Swimming at Longwell Green (1 class)*
- *Mon 28th Jan, 3.30pm—PTA Children's Quiz*
- *Mon 28th Jan, 6.30pm—Full Governing Body Meeting*
- *Wed 30th January, 2.45pm—EYFS Class Assembly & Open Classes*
- *Fri 8th Jan—Last day of Term 3*
- *Tues 5th Feb—EYFS Family Lunch*
- *Mon 18th Feb—First day of Term 4*
- *Mon 25th Feb, 6pm—Governors' Curriculum Committee Meeting*
- *Mon 25th Feb, 7.15pm—Governors' Resources Committee Meeting*
- *Tues 26th Feb, 3.30pm to 6.30pm—Parents' Evening*
- *Thurs 28th Feb, 3.30pm to 6.30pm Parents' Evening*
- *Tues 5th Mar—Year 1 Family Lunch*
- *Tues 5th Mar, 2.45pm—Year 5 Class Assembly and Open Classes*
- *Wed 6th March, 2.45pm—Year 6 Class Assembly and Open Classes*

PLANNING AHEAD... INSET DAYS 2013-2014

We like to give our parents/carers as much notice as possible for inset days. This can often help with planning holidays and ensuring every child has a good school attendance.

Remaining 2013 Inset days:

Fri 22nd March 2013
Fri 24th May 2013
Wed 24th July 2013

Here are our dates for 2013-2014

Fri 25th Oct 2013
Mon 6th Jan 2014
Fri 23rd May 2014
Mon 21st July 2014
Tues 22nd July 2014

We need to remind parents/carers that no holidays will be authorised, as part of our Attendance Policy introduced in May 2011.

Absences will only be granted if there are exceptional circumstances. Family birthdays do not count as such and will not be authorised.

It is essential that children have high school attendance for learning and progress.

Thank you for your co-operation and support.

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Family lunches

Each term we will be inviting each year groups' parents/carers in to join us for a lunchtime! This will be an opportunity for you to see how our lunchtimes work and enjoy a meal with your child. A letter will be sent out to each year group when their turn comes around.

Lunch Dates for your diary

EYFS—Tues. 5th February
 Year 1— Tues. 5th March
 Year 2—Tues. 19th March
 Year 3—Tues. 16th April
 Year 4—Tues. 7th May
 Year 5—Tues. 11th June
 Year 6—Tues. 16th July

On Tuesday 15th January, Class 2B had a visitor...

The classroom was dark. The children were silent. Suddenly the Doctor Who theme tune filled the room and Class 2B were taken back in time, back to the 1700's. Excitement turned to shock as out of the classroom cupboard stumbled a rather strangely dressed man. He was dazed and confused, unsure of where he was. The children made him sit down and did their very best to calm him before their 'interrogation' began.

find out more about his life and that of his family along with how chocolate is made and where it comes from and send him their reports later on in the term.

Thankful, Joseph climbed back into his time machine and was gone in an instant. It was if he had never been in the classroom...



It didn't take them long to discover that this was in fact the great Joseph Fry - inventor of the modern day chocolate bar. He couldn't remember much about himself or indeed his relationship with chocolate as he had been time traveling for so long. To help him, the children agreed that they would

Stanbridge Calendar Reduced in price!



The calendars are on sale for a reduced price of £4 and are available from the Reception office. Grab one now to ensure you never miss a school date. These calendars are ideal to transfer all newsletter dates and keep track of school events!

LIBRARY UPDATE

WE ARE NOW BARCODING AND COLOUR CODING ALL SCHOOL BOOKS AND HOPE TO OPEN OUR LIBRARY SOON. IF YOU CAN SPARE SOME TIME TO HELP US WITH THIS LONG PROCESS, PLEASE COME TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!



SUPER STANBRIDGE STUN ST AUGUSTINE'S - REPORT BY WILL A.

Before the Christmas break, Stanbridge hearts were broken by a 2-1 defeat to Bromley Heath. It was a game we felt we should have won, especially as we hit the post and cross bar a staggering five times! As a result of this bewildering defeat, we promised ourselves that we would come back fighting in the New Year, which is exactly what we did with a solid 9-0 away victory at St Augustine's (11/1/13).

Stanbridge started the scoring early in the first half with a goal from Ryan. This was quickly followed by a great strike from Bailey and then yet another from Ryan. Not to be outdone, Bailey scored a further two quality goals before Ryan netted again before half time.

The second half started as the second had ended - with a cheeky little knock from Ryan. It seemed it was going

to be the Ryan and Bailey show until the great Will A scored with a deflection off his backside (!) and then Captain Harry finished the game off with a extraordinary strike from distance. Jakob - our goalie, had little to do, but he made two great saves to keep a clean sheet. He was on top form.

Well done. Team: Jakob, Kieran, Luke H, Ryan, Harry (Captain), Will and Bailey.

NOTICES & REQUESTS

SEVERE WEATHER INFORMATION

In the event of severe weather the school will make every effort to remain open, however in the event that this is not possible information will be broadcast on **BBC Radio Bristol and Heart Radio**.

If we have very severe weather, please ensure you listen to these radio stations early in the morning to find out the latest information. You can also check the school website.

We will also endeavour to send a text to parents/carers as soon as possible if the school is closed.



RED NOSE DAY NOSES!



All kids love picking their Noses. So, take advantage of our exclusive offer to buy your Red Nose with Toes from School!

We will be supporting Red Nose Day and hope to raise a mammoth amount of cash so are starting by selling Red Noses for £1 each from 1st February.

Snakes and Monkeys!

Do you have any unwanted snakes or monkeys (not real of course!)?

We are looking for donations of snakes and monkeys to decorate our new library area. Any type of toy snake or soft toy monkey would be very welcome.

They will be given a very good home and will have fun with the other animals in our library.

EYFS Parents Workshop



We would like to invite all EYFS parents/carers to a workshop on Monday 4th February at 6pm. This meeting will aim to inform parents about Learning Journey Diaries and how we assess children's progress. We will also share strategies for helping your child with phonics and reading, along with talking about our new cursive handwriting script.

Parents/carers from Year 1 and 2 are welcome to come along if they did not get a chance to attend the reading and phonics workshops last year and want to hear a little more about handwriting. Please put your name down at the school office.

We hope these workshops will continue to strengthen the learning partnerships between home and school.



6A's RECOMMENDED READING

Some of our Year 6 pupils have recommended the following books...

What books would you recommend to a friend?



The Falcon's Malteser by Anthony Horowitz—"It's about detectives, but it's really funny!" ST *****

Wilma Tenderfoot and the case of the Frozen Hearts—"Sometimes there's funny moments, sometimes there's creepy moments." LP *****

Warlock of Firetop Mountain choose your own adventure book. —"Very cleverly written, very good if you want to go on a fantasy adventure." JT *****

NOTICES & REQUESTS

SAFEGUARDING ISSUES

Please be aware that we would like to discourage any parents/family members from talking to children through the school fence. Staff who are on duty at playtimes and lunchtimes are unable to verify the identity of family members and so they are asked to approach any adult who comes to the school fence. This is for the safety of your children and part of our safeguarding procedures. Thank you for your co-operation.

'People who help us'

EYFS are looking at 'People who help us' this term. They are looking for anyone in the community who has a job such as a Police Officer, Ambulance driver, nurse, doctor, lollipop person etc., to come in to see the children.

If you can help, or know of anyone in these roles who could, please see a member of the EYFS team. Many thanks.

PARKING WARNING!

Please ensure you park your car safely and do not obstruct driveways or emergency access points.

The car park must not be used by parents/carers for drop off or pick up at the start/end of the day. This is vital for the safety of the pre-school and primary school children.

The police have been monitoring parking and will take action against motorists who park dangerously.

LEAFLETS

VARIOUS NON-SCHOOL ORGANISATION 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 & REQUESTS

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS 8.45am to 3.30pm

If you need to visit the office at the end of the school day, please could you call in **BEFORE** collecting your child.

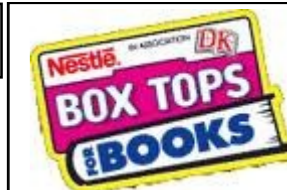
For your convenience, if you are just dropping something in there is a **Parent/Pupil Post box located in the Foyer by the literature holders.**

INSET DAYS

Our Inset Days for 2012/13 are:

- Fri 22nd March 2013
- Fri 24th May 2013
- Wed 24th July 2013

School Term Dates are available from www.southglos.gov.uk or pick up a leaflet from the foyer.



We collect Box Tops for Books tokens and there is a bonus banking at present if we send them in before 25th January.

If you have any tokens at home, please bring them in to school as soon as possible. Many thanks.