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Friends of Stanbridge Reaches £4,000...



Were any of you mums fortunate enough to receive one of the mother's day gifts, or even the star prize from Rosina May Flowers, that the PTA sold last term? Or did your child win in the Easter raffle or bingo? If not then don't worry, treat your car instead! We are holding a car wash on Saturday 17 May from 1 - 3pm, sponsored by Motaman, Downend.

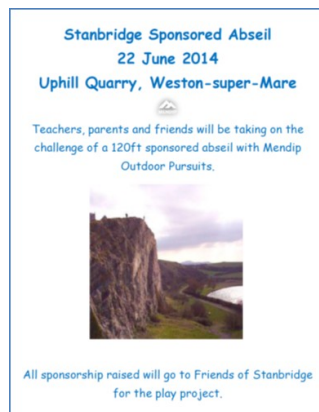


We are especially proud of this event as the idea came from a group of year 5 children who, with the full support of the PTA, will be leading the car wash on the day. A booking form is on

display in reception, so sign up early as spaces are limited. Your car will be shampooed, rinsed and buffed for only £5.



Finally, our summer fayre is getting ever closer. It's on 28 June from 11am - 2 pm. This is one of our biggest events of the year so if you are able to help then please email me. We need a range of volunteers from photocopying to manning a stall on the day, so any help would be much appreciated.



Dates for your diary

Sat. 17th May	Car Wash in carpark
Sun. 22 June	Sponsored Abseil
Sat. 28 June	Summer Fayre

Get in touch



Contact the school office for:

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

Telephone: 01454 862000

Email: admin@stanbridgeprimary.org.uk

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...

- Letters, newsletters and handouts
- Dates for your diary
- School achievements and celebrations

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



WHOLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER ISSUED 3RD WEEK OF EVERY TERM.
CLASS NEWSLETTERS ISSUED FIRST WEEK OF EVERY TERM

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TYSON THE TIMES TABLE TIGER VISITS STANBRIDGE!

Mrs Walker and the Maths Team, were excited to welcome Tyson the Times Table Tiger to our whole school assembly on Monday 28th April.



Our school has launched a new times table challenge, highlighting the importance of quick mental recall of times table facts. A good, secure knowledge of times tables is an essential part of being a successful mathematician. In addition to helping to develop fast mental mathematics, they help with written multiplication and division and are invaluable in helping us to solve mathematical puzzles. Times tables also help us understand fractions, percentages, ratio and proportion.



Parents/carers have received a leaflet to explain how our times table challenge works. Every child challenges themselves in their quick recall of times tables and once they know them confidently, they can win awards as follows:

- Stretching your muscles - x2
- Warming Up - x5, x10
- On Your Marks - x3, x4
- Bronze - x6, x7
- Silver - x8, x9
- Gold - x11, x12



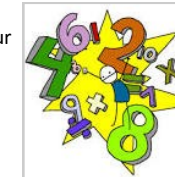
Once the children have completed the gold award, they will move onto challenges that consolidate and apply their knowledge:

- Star player - mixed up to 12 x 12
- Class Champ - multiplication & division - multiples of 10, 100, 1000

Stanbridge Champ - multiplication & division - decimals (0.6 x 7, 0.008 x 9 etc.)



We hope you enjoy supporting your child to achieve their times tables with quick recall. Keep it fun, using games and challenges. We look forward to celebrating your child's achievements with Tyson the Tiger!



THE ARTS AROUND THE WORLD

On Friday 20th June, every child at Stanbridge will take part in an enrichment day to celebrate arts around the world. The day will explore arts in other cultures including dance, drama, music, art and design.

The children will step aboard, 'Stanbridge Airways,' to take an imaginary trip around the world. Along the way they will

explore music, song, dance and crafts from around the globe.

Parents/Carers are invited to join us for an international picnic lunch from 12noon-1pm on the school field (letter to follow).

We are also looking for volunteers to assist us with the practical art activities during the day. If you think you can help,



please see your child's class teacher or come to the main office. We are looking forward to this exciting day!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Sat 17th May, 1-3pm—Children' PTA Car Wash in the car park
- Mon 19th May, 6.30-8.30pm Governing Body Meeting
- Tues 20th May, 2.45pm—Year 5 class assembly
- Thurs 22nd May—Sports Day
- Fri 23rd May—Inset Day
- Tues 3rd June, 7pm—PTA Meeting at Stanbridge
- Fri 6th June—Year 4 Camp Out event
- Tues 10th June, 6pm—EYFS Induction meeting for new parents of Sept 2014 children.
- Wed 11th June, 6pm—Yr 5 camp meeting (for current Yr 4 children who will be attending next year)
- Tues 17th June, 6pm—'Old Boys' Football Match at Stanbridge, hosted by Mr Baker in aid of Prostate Cancer UK
- Wed 18th June, 6pm—Drama Club show
- Fri 20th June—Arts Around the World Day
- Fri 27th June, 9am—Parents In Partnership Meeting (in the Elliot Building)
- Fri 27th June—choir to perform at the Colston Hall
- Sat 28th June, 11am—2pm—Summer Fair

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Football Celebration

We were proud to welcome Trevor Challis and Wes Burns, Bristol City Player, into our celebration assembly. Wes presented awards to our football team and Mr Baker and Mr Preedy were very proud of their skill, team work and dedication. As a result, Stanbridge have won the league!



Mr Baker will be hosting an Old Boys football match at 6pm on the school field, to raise money for Prostate Cancer UK. Everyone is welcome. The PTA will be holding a BBQ. Come and join in the fun! Children will also be taking part in a sponsored run during the day.

Sports Day Fun—Thursday 22nd May

Morning Events—Juniors (KS2)

KS2 parents will be invited onto the school field and may sit in the marked out area.

At 9.30am the KS2 children will arrive on the school field and take part in a 'wake and shake' warm up.

Sports commence with Y3/4 starting on a carousel of activities; welly wanging; egg and spoon; skipping and sack race.

Y5/6 will start with tug of war and flat races: bean bag; leap frog and dressing up.

11.30am event ends with a parents' race (all entrants take part at their own risk!)

NB: Children in KS2 will be mixed across classes and not in normal class groups.

Picnic Arrangements

Due to popular demand we once again welcome parents to join their children for a family picnic (12.00—1.00pm).

At 12.00 noon all parents who wish to picnic with their children should go to their

Don't forget everyone needs a packed lunch even if the event has to be cancelled.

child's external classroom door to collect their child. (Year 2 pupils should be collected from the hall exit door to the KS2 playground).

If you have children in more than one class please collect your youngest child first.

Once collected by a family member they are the responsibility of the parents so children must stay in their family groups throughout the break time. Please encourage your children to behave in a way that reflects the school ethos of care and respect.

Lunch break supervisors will take responsibility for all pupils who are not picnicking with a parent.

At the end of lunch (at 1.00pm) KS1

children should congregate by the wooden gazebo ready to be escorted back to class by a member of staff. KS2 children will line up outside their classroom door as normal.

Afternoon Events—Infants (KS1)

KS1 parents may join their children for the pre-arranged picnic between 12.00—1.00pm.

At 1.00pm the end of lunchtime bell will ring and the infants will make their way to the wooden gazebo to meet their teachers. Children will go to class for registration and to change into their PE kit.

At 1.30pm the children will arrive on the school field in their class groups.

Welcome by a member of staff.

Sports commence with each class at a different activity station (as KS2 but not tug of war or leap frog, which is replaced by bunny hop race).



Holidays and Heritage

Have you seen our world map outside the office? Our Pick and Mix family challenge is to share some information about your family heritage or where in the world you have visited on holiday. Any photographs or pieces of writing will go up on our display to celebrate the wonderful world that we live in!



Food, Glorious Food!

Stanbridge Primary School takes pride in being a 'healthy school.' This includes learning about leading a healthy lifestyle, being active and eating a healthy diet.

Young children need energy (in the form of calories from food) and nutrients such as protein, carbohydrate, vitamins and minerals to make sure that their bodies work properly and grow. Your child has

different nutritional needs to your own and, as their bodies grow and develop, their needs will change.

Food and eating can also provide wonderful opportunities for learning, with activities such as cooking, shopping, helping to lay the table and eating out, or learning about different cultures.

At Stanbridge we strongly encourage healthy playtime snacks such as fruit and vegetables. In line with the Food Standards Agency guidelines, we do

not allow sweets or chocolate at playtimes or in lunchboxes.

In term 6 we will be surveying parents/carers to gain your views and opinions on playtimes snacks and lunch boxes so that we can re-publish our school expectations, taking into consideration a range of views.

Thank you for your support in ensuring the children are happy, healthy and ready to learn!



NOTICES & REQUESTS

Please respect our School Environment

In the interests of health and Safety we have the following rules for all persons using our school site:

No riding of bikes/scooters/skateboards

No dogs

No smoking

NO PARKING OR DROP OFF FOR PARENTS DURING SCHOOL HOURS.

Thank you for your consideration in these matters.

Parking in surrounding roads

This is another plea to parents/carers to park considerately when dropping off and collecting children from school.

As a healthy school, we would like to encourage you to walk rather than drive, or if this is not possible to park further away and walk the last bit.

We have been made aware that the Traffic Wardens are out and about and are issuing Fixed Penalty Notices to those parking illegally, particularly where there are dropped kerbs.

PUPIL APPOINTMENTS

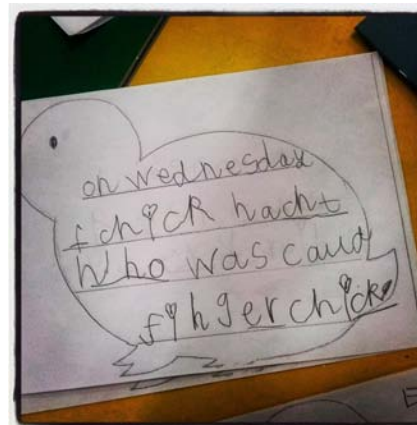
We are experiencing numerous amounts of pupils being collected early from school for appointments etc.

Please note that non-urgent appointments must be arranged outside school hours or in the holidays.

If it is necessary to make an appointment during school time please avoid the end of the school day particularly Monday and Friday as the pupils are in assembly at that time.

Thank you

Reception Class Hatchlings—The arrival of Fire Chick and Friends



The Reception children have had two exciting weeks, watching twelve eggs hatch. An incubator was delivered, with only a few days left before the first chick arrived. The children named the first

hatchling, 'Fire Chick.' Very quickly, other chicks started to hatch. The classes recorded the precise time each chick hatched and gave each one a name. The children were fascinated to see a tiny beak, peaking its way out of the egg. Children were keen to write about this new experience and capture this in their learning journey diaries.

Children from other year groups came to visit before the chicks had to make their way back to the farm.

As part of this life cycle topic, children in Reception have also observed tadpoles change and we now have a host of frogs to deliver to a local pond.

These real life experiences enrich their Literacy, Numeracy and Knowledge of

the World learning. As you can see from the photo below, the chicks were extremely cute and fluffy!



NOTICES

DEDICATED EMAIL ADDRESS FOR PARENT COMMUNICATION

We now have a dedicated email address for parent communication as follows: admin@stanbridgeprimary.org.uk

This email address is for non-urgent communication with the school as we cannot guarantee to check it more than once a day.

If you have a query or wish to notify us of something such as a forthcoming pupil absence (not on the day) you can now email us at the above address.

Longwell Green School 50th Celebration

Calling all ex pupils who have attended Longwell Green Primary School since 1963!

To help celebrate 50 years of education Longwell Green Primary School are holding 2 events for ex pupils to return to school to have a look around, meet some of our current staff and pupils and view memory boards covering the last 50 years.

The events are as follows:
Tues 20 May, 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm
Thurs 22 May 1.30 pm – 3.00 pm

If you were a pupil at Longwell Green Primary School, or know someone who was and would like to attend please email longwellgreenprimary.school@southglos.gov.uk to confirm attendance.



Half-Term Activities at Downend Library Festival Fun

Thursday 29th May

10:00—11:30

Masks, Maypoles and more!
Free drop-in for Crafts and activities

This event is especially suitable for ages 4-9. Under 5s must please be accompanied by an adult.

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)

INSET DAYS

Here are our dates for 2013-2014

Fri 23rd May 2014

Mon 21st July 2014

Tues 22nd July 2014

2014-2015 Inset Dates

Mon 1st Sept 2014

Mon 3rd Nov 2014

Mon 23rd Feb 2015

Fri 24th April 2014

Mon 23rd July 2015



PARLEZ-VOUS FRANCAIS?

Work has begun on our new French curriculum. Teachers have been receiving training this year to enable us to fully launch our new French curriculum in Years 3-6 from September 2014, in line with Government expectations. Children in Key Stage 1 will also gain experience in learning songs from other languages and playing a range of French speaking games.

Our scheme of work has been developed by French teaching expert, Catherine Cheeta. Our training has been led by Jayne

Wright in connection with Bath Spa University College.

Teachers have already been trying out some of the new games and activities.



Children have shown us that they have a thirst for learning a new language. We look forward to sharing more of these developments with the official launch in September!

A big thank you to Mrs Fishlock and all who helped us run the SATS breakfasts on 12th—15th May. It was lots of fun and a good way to get the children's minds and bodies ready for the SATS. We are very proud of them and they have really worked hard. Well done Year 6!

