



# STANBRIDGE NEWS



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## FAIR TRADE FUN DAY AT STANBRIDGE

### Fun Fairtrade Day!

On Tuesday 20th January for Humanities Day, the Humanities team organised 'Fairtrade Day'. The day started off with an assembly where Miss John, Mr Williams, Miss Goldie, Mrs Ludwig and Mrs Walker acted as members of the banana production line so that the children could see how £1 spent in a supermarket is split to pay for people's different jobs. The children were shocked to learn that only a few pence from every £1 spent in the supermarket reaches the actual banana

workers. This led to an interesting discussion about whether this is fair. Children were introduced to the Fairtrade symbol and learned that this shows workers are given a fair wage for their work. To end assembly, each year group was given a Fairtrade food which they added to a world map so they could learn where different foods come from. (See attached picture)

Throughout the day children took part in

many fun Fairtrade activities including making Fairtrade chocolate crispy cakes in Year 1 & 4, making Fairtrade banana splits in Year 2, making Fairtrade fruit kebabs in Year 3 and writing and performing Fairtrade raps in Years 5 & 6.

Well done to everyone involved! A fun Fairtrade day was had by all!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Wed 4th Feb, 9am—10am—Stay and Read for Parents
- Mon to Wed 9th to 11th Feb—Year 5 Residential Visit to Lincolnsfield
- Fri 6th Feb—Non-uniform day for pupils in Wilson and King-Smith
- Thur 12th Feb, 2pm—SEN Coffee Afternoon
- Fri 13th Feb—last day of Term 3
- **Mon 23rd Feb—Inset Day—school closed to pupils**
- **Tues 24th Feb—First day of Term 4 for pupils**
- Fri 27th Feb, a.m.—Weekly swimming commences for Year 5
- Wed 4th Mar, a.m.—Colston Hall Rehearsal
- Thur 5th Mar—World Book Day
- Thur 12th Mar, 1.30pm to 7pm—Parents' evening
- Tues 17th Mar, 1.30pm to 7pm—Parents' Evening

## BUILDING PROGRESS

As you will be aware, the school building has been undergoing a transformation. The external walls of the hall/gym area and Key Stage 1 side of the school have been re-clad, ensuring better insulation and a newer look. This work is nearing completion and is due to be finished by half term.

We are excited to announce that our next phase will be to investigate the replacement of the boundary fencing running along the school field, car park, pre-school and Key

Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 playground areas.



As part of the preparation for this work, some of the trees along the Westerleigh Road needed to be cut back. Unfortunately, some were diseased and needed to be

removed. To ensure the health of the remaining trees, South Gloucestershire Council thinned this area, allowing better light for future growth. We have been reassured that this decision was unavoidable and we want to ensure our school is as eco friendly as possible as we aim for our Eco Schools Green Flag award this summer.



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## C.A.N Coffee Afternoons a huge success

In November, we hosted our first coffee afternoon for parents/carers of children with additional needs (C.A.N). This was a valuable opportunity for parents/carers to learn more about how we support children who have Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEN/D) or additional needs.

Miss Bertham has taken over from Mrs Hale as SENCO and is joined by Mrs Curtis who is our SEN Specialist Assistant.

Each coffee afternoon will aim to share ideas and experiences in managing children's additional needs, offering support and advice.

Our next meeting is taking place on Thursday 12th February at 2pm in the Out of School Club building. Anyone is welcome

to come along, whether your child has been recognised as having additional needs or if you have concerns or questions.

We have developed a new area on our school website for parents/carers to find out more. Visit:

[www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/send.html](http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/send.html)



## Shaun at Stanbridge!

We are thrilled to announce that Stanbridge has been lucky enough to have been given a Shaun the Sheep statue as part of the summer, 'Shaun in the City' trail featuring 120 giant sheep sculptures decorated by celebrities and artists, herded on the streets of London and Bristol in a 'trail of two cities'. Our Shaun is a small replica and we will be running a competition to design his decoration. More info to follow!



## Parent/Carer Communication

### DEDICATED EMAIL ADDRESS FOR PARENT COMMUNICATION

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

**Please ensure you do not use this email address for personal information about your child or information for the class teacher that may be needed on the same day. Please put this in a letter for your child to hand to the teacher, or see the class teacher at the end of the 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 admin address

Our Facebook page and school website contains up to date information and school news and is a good point of reference to check dates and see what has been going on at the school.

[www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk](http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk)



### 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

### Parking

**P** As with most schools, parking at the beginning and end of the school day can be frustrating and, on occasions, can pose significant safety risks. We are currently working on a plan to identify some Park and Stride areas away from Stanbridge Road that should allow for safe parking for everyone.

In the meantime can we ask everyone who uses a car to bring children to school to park responsibly, adhere to highway laws and ensure that you consider the safety and wellbeing of all of our children, families and neighbours.

### School Uniform

We are very proud of the way children present themselves for school in their uniform, looking smart and representing the schools' high standards.

Please can you ensure that hair that is past shoulder length is tied back for Health and safety reasons. Please can you also ensure nail varnish is not worn to school.

We thank you for supporting our policy for school uniform. Full details are in our parent handbook.:  
<http://www.stanbridgeprimary.co.uk/documents.html>

### Get Caught Reading

We take pride in encouraging children to read every day. Our reading tree awards continue, with a chance for your child's year group to receive £200 in new books! Please remember to fill in your child's reading diary when they read at home.

This term, we will be launching our new **School Planners** and we will be inviting you to a meeting to find out more. Home learning is so important to your child's progress, so please encourage your child to read, take part in Pick and Mix homework and practice their times tables/phonics/ key words or spellings. It really makes a difference!



## INSET DAYS

### 2014-2015 Inset Dates

- Mon 23rd Feb 2015
- Fri 24th April 2015
- Mon 20th July 2015







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## 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](mailto: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 hand-outs**
- **Dates for your diary**
- **School achievements and celebrations**

## FRIENDS OF STANBRIDGE



### Helpers and Members Welcome!

The Friends of Stanbridge (PTA) organise and host many events raising funds for the school and in the past couple of years have raised over £15,000 towards projects in school. Helpers are always required so if you can help out or are

interested in joining the team please email Hayley Robbins at [fospa@ymail.com](mailto:fospa@ymail.com)

Regular fundraising events such as Christmas and summer fayres, film nights, Clothes for a Cause collections, cake sales etc., are held and every event requires help so please don't be shy, come and join us for a very rewarding cause!

## OSC

Breakfast Club runs in the gym from 7.45am. After School Club runs straight after school in the club room at the top of the field until 5.45pm.

For details of regular or ad-hoc sessions, please contact Jayne Uren on 07910 258 137.

Email contact:

[stanbridge-osc@yahoo.com](mailto:stanbridge-osc@yahoo.com)

Ofsted registration number: EY482817

### 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.