



STANBRIDGE NEWS

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World Book Day Wonders!

Fun was had by all at World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March 2016. Children came to school dressed as their favourite book character and it was clear to see that lots of thought and creativity had gone into creating their outfits!

Children in Year 6 were challenged to write an imaginative story in 500 words or less. Dylan managed to tell his story in 369 words! Here it is...

We were all working peacefully, collecting food, building more areas and living normally. I was on my way to the big home. I was half way up, when suddenly I saw a massive monster, ten times the size of our house! It stared at me, eyes dazzling in the bright, hot sun. I scurried inside carrying a big piece of grass. I scuttled to my children and they could tell I was scared.

Telling them to stay where they were, I ran to the top of the hill. The man stood there with a long, snake-like thing and all of a sudden it started squirting water.

Scrambling down the hill, I cried for my children. 'Children, oh children,' I cried. 'Ant-ony, Ant-thony, Ant-bert!' Three figures crawled after me. We ran to the queen. 'Your majesty, we're being flooded!' I shouted. 'Don't be silly!' replied the Queen.

The water came pouring through the room. We dived into a hole in the wall, but the Queen got washed away! As the water settled, we saw

hundreds of dead bodies lying; their motionless legs dangling off and antennae flopping around like octopus tentacles.

When we thought it was all over, we climbed out, but then came the second wave. We scrambled back into the hole just in the nick of time.

Meanwhile, the man wasn't sure he'd killed them. He took three more squirts and went inside muttering, 'Stupid ant's nest!'



A few days went passed and the ants started repairing. A new Queen was needed and the ceremony would be held tomorrow. But then came the next accident!

The ants ventured out once again but someone saw them. He bought gas and stuck it down the hole. Everybody hid but it didn't work. This time there were no survivors.

The man was very proud of himself for killing a nest of ants. He even had a party. But how would he do against a wasps nest...

A wasp hovered over to him and stung his spotty neck. He screamed and ran! At this point he decided to move out and the wasps lived happily, roaming the garden.

Written by Dylan, Year 6

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- PARENT LEARNING MEETINGS—THURSDAY 17TH MARCH AND TUESDAY 22ND MARCH—1.30PM—7PM
- THURSDAY 24TH MARCH—INSET DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED
- MONDAY 11TH APRIL—FIRST DAY OF TERM 5
- W/C 25TH APRIL—PTA SILENT AUCTION BIDS OPEN
- FRIDAY 29TH APRIL—PTA SILENT AUCTION BIDS CLOSE
- W/C MONDAY 9TH MAY—YEAR 6 SATS WEEK
- W/C MONDAY 9TH MAY (AFTERNOONS) YEAR 6 SWIMMING
- TUES 17TH MAY, 1.30PM, WED 18TH MAY, 6PM—JOSEPH AND HIS AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT DRAMA CLUB PERFORMANCE
- WEDNESDAY 18TH MAY—EYFS PARENTS LUNCH, 12 NOON—1PM
- FRIDAY 27TH MAY—LAST DAY OF TERM 5

PUPILS LEADING THE WAY

Our newly appointed pupil leaders have been getting to grips with their new roles. Here are some reports on what they have been up to...

Junior Digital Leaders



'My name is Zoe and my role is a Perfect Prefect. I have to go around

the school and keep it tidy and help the teachers. If someone wants a tour of the school, we take them around. I also lead the team of EYFS Perfect Prefects.' Zoe M—Year 4

'My role is as a school councillor. I make the school a better place. The other school councillors and I ask for new things and ask for bad things to go. I enjoy it because I know it is good for the school.' Amy—Year 4

'My name is Toby and my role is as a Peer Mediator. I like to help others

Perfect Prefects



and solve problems and I like to think I am a good guy and a good role model.' Toby—Year 4

'My role is a Reading Buddy. I really enjoy it because I like reading with younger children and I like to improve their reading so they will know more in the future.' Jess M—Year 4

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What would you do with an extra day? Art Competition News

It was fabulous to see so many creative entries to this year's Nexus Schools Art Competition.

The children were invited to create a painting based on the theme, 'What would you do with an extra day?' to celebrate the leap year. The children were asked to paint a picture of their choice based on this theme. There were able to chose water paints, poster paints, mud or dye.

There were so many interesting and exciting ideas of how the children would choose to use their extra day. Thank you to all those who took

part. You made our decision very tricky!



Congratulations to the winning entries:

Foundation stage- Nicolas and Patricia
Key Stage One- Jinnie and Jess (year 1)

Key Stage Two- Neha (year 4) and Millie (year 5)

These entries will be displayed at Emerson's Green Library from Tuesday 22nd March along with entries from the other Nexus schools. They will be presented with a certificate of entry and an overall winner will be chosen. Good luck to all of our entries!



Keeping your child safe—Drop off and pick up times

The safety and welfare of every child at our school is a top priority. We have been aware that some children are not safely dropped off or pick up from school by a responsible adult and it is our duty to raise these concerns and state our expectations for this process to ensure every child is safe at the start and end of the day.

Our Expectations:

Children in Year 5 and 6 are able to walk to and from school on their own, with written permission from their parent/carer. It is the parent's responsibility to assess the journey and decide if this is safe.

At drop off time, doors open at 8.45am. It is essential that a responsible adult sees their child into the school building for those in EYFS to Year 4. Dropping a child at the school gates and allowing them to walk round is not permitted.

At the end of the day, children from EYFS to Year 4 must be handed over to a responsible adult. We will not hand over a child to an older sibling unless we have written permission from a parent/carer.

Please help us to identify you at hand over time, by standing close to your child's classroom/exit door

as this makes the handover process quicker.

When children walk to and from school, we remind them that they are ambassadors for our school and we expect them to behave well and promote our good reputation within the school community.

We expect parents/carers to park considerately at the start and end of the day. The police carry out regular checks and will issue fines to anyone parked illegally or dangerously.

Thank you for your continued support in making sure every child is safe at our school.

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

School Anti Smoking Policy

Smoking is not permitted in any part of the school or school grounds under any circumstances.

Electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes are battery powered products that release a visible vapour that contains nicotine that is inhaled by the smoker.

Although they do not produce smoke, the use of e-cigarettes could annoy others. The No Smoking policy applies to the use of electronic cigarettes.

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

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.

INSET DAYS

2015-2016 Inset Days

Friday 1st July 2016

2016-2017 Inset Days

Thursday 1st September 2016

Friday 2nd September 2016

Monday 3rd October 2016

Monday 20th February 2017

Friday 26th May 2017





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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

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**

PTA NEWS

We'd like to start by saying a huge thank you to everyone who has supported our events so far this year.

The kids had a blast at the Valentine's Disco before half term. We were really impressed with some of the dance moves on display! The event raised almost £700 for the school, which is absolutely amazing!



We have now also launched our very own lottery. For just £1 per week, you will be entered into a local draw where one Stanbridge Parent will win a small cash prize each week (usually around £20) and also be entered into a

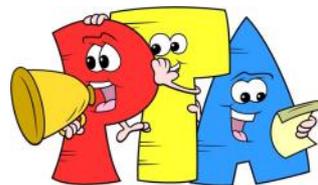


National draw to win £25,000. To take part in the lottery, visit www.YourSchoolLottery.co.uk and search for "Stanbridge".

Tickets are selling like hot cakes for our family 80's Disco on Friday 20th May at Lincombe Barn. Capacity is limited, so if you've not got your tickets yet look out for the PTA in the gazebo after school on Mondays and Fridays to buy yours before they sell out!

Finally, look out for details coming soon on our Easter Cake Sale on Wednesday 23rd March to celebrate the end of term. Donations of cakes & bakes would be much appreciated and of course we need people to come along and buy & eat them all!

We couldn't do all of this without the help and support of the parents at the school. So if you have volunteered your time or attended one of our events, thank you.



We are always keen to hear from people who would be interested in joining us, so if you think you may be able to help out please contact us at fospta@ymail.com



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 you wish to help your child find their missing items, lost property boxes can now be found on the playground by the small door to the main hall (KS1) and by the gym doors (KS2).