



# STANBRIDGE NEWS

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## Big Maths Comes to Stanbridge!

Learning number facts and being able to recall them has always been a crucial part of maths. For example, children are required to apply their number pairs to 10 and 100 or their times table facts when calculating or working with fractions, decimals and percentages. Without being able to quickly recall (POP) these facts, the child can be significantly hindered in other areas of their maths learning.

At Stanbridge we are implementing a new initiative to support the children with recalling and applying their number facts, called Big Maths.

Big Maths is used across the UK and is based on 5 simple principles:

Children become numerate through following a natural sequence of progression: e.g. for a child to know double 70 they need to know double 7 first.



Children need to have basic skills in order to use basic skills: Therefore it is important to separate out the acquisition of core basic skills for Mathematics from the 'using and applying' of those skills.

Children acquire the basic skills of Mathematics through the chronology of CLIC:

Counting (children learn to count and to 'count on').

Learn Its (children then short-cut this counting by recalling their 'counting on' as facts).

It's Nothing New (children then 'swap the thing' to realise that the counting fact, or 'Learn It', can be applied to any object, amount or unit of measure).



Calculation (the previous 3 phases are combined to provide a calculation structure).

Children become numerate through the chronology of CLIC, and therefore we will be using CLIC as a strong, but simple, vehicle to teach the basic skills of Mathematics. In class, your child will be receiving a daily, structured, basic skills session called CLIC by the end of this year.

At this point... LEARN ITS

Throughout the term, all the children in each year group will be involved in daily practice of the Learn Its (number facts) that they need to be able to quickly recall (POP). Then, every Friday, the children will carry out a Learn It Quiz to check they can quickly recall (POP) the facts they are currently working on. If they cannot complete all the facts in the time or they get some wrong then the quiz will be stuck in their homework book so that parents can support their child at home. This allows parents to see what areas their child finds difficult and practise at home.

We will be holding parent workshops as the year progresses to share more information about how you can help your child at home.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- W/C 28TH OCT—PTA ELFRIDGES PRESENT WRAPPING SHOP OPEN
- TUES 6TH DEC, 5.30PM & THURS 8TH DEC, 2PM—YEAR 1 & 2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
- WED 7TH DEC—SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH
- WED 14TH DEC—VISIT TO CHISTCHURCH CHURCH, DOWNEND
- THURS 8TH DEC, 5.30PM AND FRI 9TH DEC, 2PM—EYFS CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES
- MON 12TH DEC, 6PM, TUES 13TH DEC, 2PM, WED 14TH DEC, 6PM—KS2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES
- FRI 16TH DEC—LAST DAY OF TERM 2
- TUES 3RD JAN—FIRST DAY OF TERM 3

## School Gateway App

Do you have the School Gateway App? This means that we can communicate with parents more quickly and cost effectively via email, text and smartphone app.

Save money by downloading the free School Gateway app. What you need to do now:

Download the app: If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the

website PLUS you can send app messages to the school for FREE – this will also save the school money when we send text messages.

OR visit the website: [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) and click on 'New User'. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Then download the app (as above) and use this PIN to login to School Gateway.

It's quick and easy to do. All you need are your email address and mobile

number that the school holds on record for you.

Once you have downloaded the School Gateway app text messages from Stanbridge will appear within the app. Please be aware that texts will not appear in your usual text message icon so you may wish to move the Gateway icon alongside your normal text message icon. If you do not have a smartphone, you will still receive text messages from the school in the usual way.



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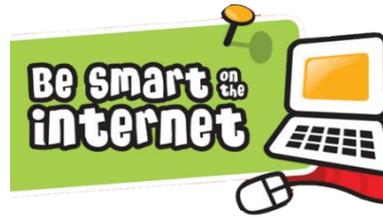


## E-Safety Owl and our E-Safety Squad

Our E-Safety Squad have been busy so far this year! They have published a termly comic to promote safe internet use and work with our Stanbridge Digital Leaders to ensure the use of technology, both in and outside of school is safe and an effective learning tool.

Our 'cyber owl' made an appearance in a recent school assembly and the children enjoyed inventing names for him. We will let you know his official name soon! He will be visiting our local Sainsburys store to give out e-safety leaflets to spread the word about staying safe online within the community.

Mr Baker is also hosting a parents information session again this year. Come along to the computer suite on Tuesday



29th November, 2.30pm to find out how to keep your child safe when they are using PCs or tablets. You are guaranteed to learn a lot about different apps and find out some tips and tricks to keep your child safe when they access the internet.

## Super Science £10K Giveaway!

### We need your help!

Please help us be in with a chance of winning £10,000 for Science development within our school! We need to collect as many tokens as possible—these will be printed in the Bristol Evening Post in November and early December. Please send all tokens into school. Thank you!



## Couch to 5K Success

We are so proud of our first 'Couch to 5K' group!

The C25K course was advertised within the local community and we initially had 45 members from Bromley Heath, Staple Hill, Fishponds and Downend. It was an eight week programme which culminated with a 5k graduation run at Chipping Sodbury parkrun. It was lovely to see parents - new and old, attending the group along with several

teachers.

Mr Baker and Matt Mundy led the group through the 8 week programme and were excellent motivators, bringing the team together to achieve their goals.



Due to the success of the course the council have asked Mr Baker and Matt Mundy to run a C25K group in January specifically for men and the Fliers will be doing another one in Spring. Keep a look out for more info in our next newsletter.

Stanbridge Flyers running club also celebrates their first birthday in December. Thank you to all who support this fantastic community group.

## 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

### Lost Property

Our lost property is now stored in the playground outside the hall and gym.

EYFS and KS1 lost property store can be found outside the hall (near EYFS classrooms) and KS2 lost property store is located outside of the gym double doors.

Please make sure you name every item of your child's belongings as it makes it much easier to return lost items.

### 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.

**We ask that you do not email class teachers or Head Teacher directly, but use this central email address.**

**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

**2016-2017**

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](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**

### School Office Opening Hours

**8.45am to 3.30pm  
Mon - Fri**

Closed daily between  
9.15am and 9.45am for  
registration procedures

## FRIENDS OF STANBRIDGE PTA NEWS

Term 2s activities kicked off last week with our Movie Night featuring The Secret Life of Pets. Over 200 children came along to snuggle up with their picnic and duvets and watch the film. We'd like to say thank you to all of those who came along, plus all the teachers and parents who stayed to help out and make the evening a success. Look out for our Family Movie Night coming next year!

Our next event is "Elfridges" where all the children will be given the opportunity to buy a Christmas Gift for their loved ones. They will then be able to decorate the present with a label that they have created themselves and take the gifts home ready to go

under the Christmas tree.

Elfridges takes place in the week preceding our Christmas Fayre, which this year is on



Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 11am – 2pm. We have so much on offer this year, it's difficult to know where to start! Parents will be able to start their Christmas shopping at our Shopping Mall featuring some lovely products from local traders such as Fairy Lanterns, Homemade Gifts, Toys & Teddies, Neals Yard Organics

and Handmade children's clothing to name but a few. We've also got lots of Christmas cards and wrapping paper on offer to get your shopping off to a flying start! For the children we have lots of games stalls, chocolate tombola, face painting and more. All of this



plus Stanbridge has got Talent, our bumper raffle and some amazing food from our BBQ means that all the family are sure to have a lovely time. We look forward to seeing you there!

