

Stanwick Primary

Newsletter

July 2021

We are now at the end of the academic year 2020/21 and as last year, it has been very challenging for us all. However, we remain so proud of our Stanwick family, your children have worked so hard this year and you, as parents have supported their learning so well whilst they were at home.

As always, our teachers have been really impressed with the work that your children are producing and their wonderful behaviour, it has been a joy to see them developing into amazing young people. They are a credit to you as parents and to us as a school.

One of the highlights of this year was our Caribbean Carnival, it was a huge success. The children thoroughly enjoyed researching their own Caribbean countries, cooking some traditional dishes, learning about some of the culture and traditions of this wonderful part of the world. This all culminated with our colourful parade around the village.

The next academic year will bring some changes with Mrs Neild going on Maternity leave, we send her our very best wishes and look forward to seeing her soon. Mrs Awbery will be stepping into Mrs Neild's role in the meantime.

We are sad to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 children, but we wish them all the best for their futures as they move onto Secondary School. We would love to hear how they are doing, once they are all settled in!

In September we will be welcoming our new Foundation Class to our Stanwick family. Mrs Smith and Mrs Taylor-Jacob have so many exciting adventures planned.

Finally, we would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer holiday, and we look forward to seeing you all in September.





Foundation – Ladybird Class

Ladybird class were thrilled to hear that their new topic contained, The Sea, Sand and Sharks! This topic has been a huge hit with all of the children especially as so many of them have been visiting beaches and aquariums. We kicked it off with finding a map, following it around our school and then digging up some special treasures. We were busy making our own maps, pirate eye patches and pirate ships when a special visitor burst through our door! A real pirate...Peg Leg Pete came to visit us, he told us tales from the seven seas, he told us the shocking story of how he lost his eye and then showed us all of the glistening treasures from his treasure chests. He had to rush off as his ship was waiting to set sail but what an amazing visitor!

This term we have been learning the school value – Responsibility. We had to be super responsible, careful and caring when looking after our own pet eggs. We spent the afternoon creating a pet carrier to keep it safe. We then took our egg on our welly walk! Most of the eggs survived and it taught the children the importance of being a responsible member of Stanwick school. What an egg-cellent experience!

It has been lovely to spend most of the term in the sunshine. We have taken full advantage of the sun with lots of outdoor learning and of course, our weekly welly walks. This term we have been searching for signs of summer, visiting daisy land and exploring different textures whilst walking around our local environment.

We have been recapping and showing off our fantastic maths skills this term. We have been adding, subtracting, weighing, measuring, doubling and so much more! It has been brilliant to see Ladybird class applying their maths knowledge and solving their number calculations and word problems using a variety of methods.

During our storytelling session we have been exploring rhyme and poetry. We have loved learning the poem – ‘There are big waves’ written by Elenor Farjeon. We learnt what different waves look like and sound like. We spent time searching for the rhyming words and creating our very own rhyming sentences and poems.

What a busy term in Ladybird Class!





Year 1 - Squirrel Class

What an incredible final term Squirrels have had learning all about the seaside and plastic pollution. We started the term with an exciting wow day that involved making jelly fish, fishing for magnetic fish and rescuing sea creatures from the plastic in the tuff tray sea.

They have written incredible non-chronological reports all about plastic pollution and have been working extremely hard on their handwriting.

Squirrels have been very lucky this term and have had caterpillars in our classroom. We have all really enjoyed looking after them and watching them grow into butterflies.

In Maths, Squirrels have been working hard on their numbers to 100 and have loved learning to tell the time. In Science, they have been naming the parts of the body and exploring the 5 senses where the children tasted lemons. They were very sour!

Another amazing term with an equally amazing group of children who are ready, just like our butterflies, to spread their wings and flourish in Year 2.



Year 2 – Fox Class

Year 2 have been learning all about famous people in history this term. We have focused on Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Captain Edward Smith, the Wright Brothers and Rosa Parks.

All the children have really enjoyed learning about the Titanic too and making their boats and aeroplanes.

In maths we have been learning about Time and using mini clocks to help us and in Science we have been thinking about how we can help the environment by being energy and recycling heroes!



Year 3 – Hedgehog Class

Our hard-working hedgehogs have continued to work incredibly hard in our final term of Year 3.

Our topic this term is Stone Age vs. Bronze Age. The children have learnt about both the Bronze Age and Iron Age and thought about the skills people developed as time went on following the Stone Age.

We have made our own Bronze Age torcs having learnt about how bronze is made. The children also created adverts for their torcs as part of our persuasive writing unit in English.

The hedgehogs have done brilliantly in our recent maths topic of angles and were able to spot different kinds of angles we see in real life.

As part of their science work, the hedgehogs have conducted some experiments to discover what plants need to grow well and how water is transported from the roots to the leaves.

We have enjoyed reflecting on how much the children have blossomed this year - bring on Year 4!

We also want to congratulate one of our class members, Felicity, she has been accepted into the FA girls talent pathway. She was invited to the trials by a Scout who had noticed her at her U10 training with Northampton Town Football Club.

The first trial took place on Friday 2nd July, the second one took place on Monday 5th July and then Felicity was invited back to the third and final trial on Saturday 10th July. At the trials she was given the opportunity to showcase herself through football skills and a match.

We are so proud of your achievement Felicity, well done!





Year 4 – Badger Class

We can't believe we have reached our last term with our Brilliant Badgers! They have all worked really hard and have been enjoying our topic about 'The Secret Garden'. As well as reading the classic story, we have enjoyed finding out about different habitats.

We have looked at different groups of vertebrates and had a go at using classification keys. We reviewed our knowledge of plants and had great fun dissecting flowers to identify the different parts.

We have looked at the role insects, such as bees, play in pollinations and in our English lesson, have written super explanation texts to explain how bees make honey.

In art, the children have created some beautiful watercolour pictures which have demonstrated their colour mixing skills.

In maths we have focused on understanding measure. We have been calculating area and perimeter, and learning about different angles and types of triangle.

We have also learned about how the Earth is divided into hemispheres, and lines of longitude and latitude. The children really enjoyed exploring using atlases!

We have loved working with the children this year and are so proud of all their achievements.





Year 5 – Owl Class

Year 5 have begun looking at the Victorian era. We really enjoyed our Victorian school experience where we all dressed up for the day. We have handwriting, spelling and times table lesson just the way the Victorians did. We made Victorian style toys in the afternoon too.

The gardening club have been working hard growing vegetables for the school. Thankfully it has rained a lot in the last few weeks and we have seen quite a lot of growth. We have put a net over the radishes so the leaves will hopefully stop being eaten by insects.

Year 6 – Eagle Class

This term has been a strange one for year six, what started as an exciting time where we were all set to go off and experience our new schools, has become something very different.

We have been studying the culture of the ancient Maya people of Central America and have completed some fantastic writing as we have worked towards our final assessment levels for year six.

The class were inspired during our world work wellness week and thoroughly enjoyed the excitement of our school carnival where we learnt about and experienced some of the fantastic culture of Jamaica.





Sunshine Club

Sunshine club have had another busy term with lots of activities going on. The children have all been using lots of different ideas with the arts and crafts. There also has been a lot of salt dough making going on in afternoon club, the children really enjoyed making these.

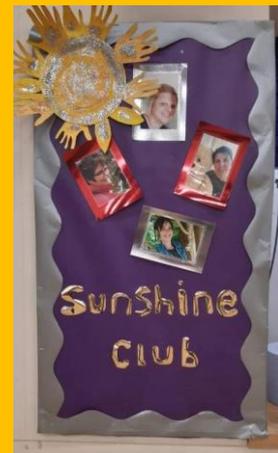
We have all enjoyed the chance to be able to use the field and do bubbles and playing with the equipment. You may have also seen the chalk drawings the children have been doing on the pavement.

If anyone is having a clear out sunshine would love to give anything a second home.

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back in September and seeing some new faces who are joining us.

We hope you all have a lovely summer!

From all of us at Sunshine Club.





School Calendar

2021/2022 Diary Dates

Friday 16th July	School Closes
Monday 6th September	School reopens to pupils
Friday 22nd October	School Closes for Half Term
Tuesday 2nd November	School reopens to pupils
Friday 17th December	School Closes
Tuesday 4th January	School reopens to pupils
Friday 11th February	School Closes
Monday 21st February	School reopens to pupils
Friday 1st April	School Closes
Tuesday 19th April	School reopens to pupils
Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Friday 27th May	School Closes
Monday 6th June	School reopens to pupils
Friday 22nd July	School Closes



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