



Stuart Road Primary Academy Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been great to see the Year 6 children proudly wearing their Leaver's Hoodies this week, no matter how hot the weather!

Next week is our assessment week when pupils will be completing tests on reading, maths and SPaG in Key Stage 2, and phonics or reading and maths in Key Stage 1. This is for internal purposes only and will help to inform future teaching and learning for teachers in the next school year.

Talking of which, on Monday, I will be able to share with you who your child's next teacher will be. A separate letter detailing this will be sent out then.

Let's hope that the sun continues to shine, and I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Nicholls

School Uniform and PE Kit Reminder

We have noticed a recent lapse in school uniform and PE kit standards. Please make sure that your child is in the correct uniform and PE kit as follows;

Summer Uniform

- Red sweatshirt or cardigan with/without school logo White/red polo shirt or school shirt
- Grey/black shorts/skirt/pinafore/trousers Red and white gingham checked dress
- Suitable black shoes – no heels or open toed shoes/sandals

(Trainers are permitted but must be plain black with no markings such as flashes or colours)

- A waterproof coat/anorak

PE Kit – which will be kept in school during term-time

- Plain white t-shirt/polo shirt
- Black shorts/tracksuit bottoms Plimsolls or trainers
- A PE bag with your child's name on it.

Jewellery and Hair

Children cannot wear jewellery in case it gets lost, damaged or cause someone to get hurt. Stud earrings may be worn but will be covered with micropore during PE.

A plain hairband or bobble should be worn. We do not allow hair accessories such as JoJo bands, bows or ears. Long hair must be tied up during PE.

Notices:

Parents evenings: Monday 5th July to Thursday 8th July: book your appointment through eschools from 1st June to 2nd July. Please call the office if you have any issues accessing eschools.

Annual School Reports: Friday, 2nd July

Leavers Disco: Leavers Whole School Disco 2nd July

PTA: Unfortunately, due to Boris's announcement this week, we are unable to hold a traditional Summer Fayre, however, the creative PTA will hold a different stall each week on a Friday afternoon – details to follow!

Summer Term Class Trips: Refer to details in this newsletter.

Homework reminder: All Year Group homework is posted weekly with MS Teams. Please check your child's class page.

Messages from Teachers

Foundation

It's been a busy week as usual in Foundation Class. The children have been looking at money in Number Time and counting 1p and 2p coins, looking at their worth and the idea of things being cheap and expensive. Don't forget to log on to NUMBOTS to practice those number skills- it is important to do this little and often to allow the children to practice and master what they have learned. There are also weekly pieces of work that are still being posted on Microsoft Teams. We have continued with the theme of the Billy Goats Gruff story with some children building their own bridges and acting out the story. We have also made Father's Day cards and the standard of writing continues to improve. Well done Foundation!

Year 1

This week year 1 have been writing their own version of 'The Colour Monster' We have done this in the form of a diary entry, writing about a visit we had to the park and all the wonderful thing we did and saw. This also continued to focus on our emotions and how the children felt in different situations during the visit. In maths we have been focusing on ordering numbers and one more/less. We also made lots of this practical to really support the children with their understanding.

Finally, we have explored the differences between a boy and girls' body, having a very good discussion about both, before making some cards for a very special person :D

Year 2

This week, in year 2 we have completed reading assessments and the children showed perseverance in answering questions. Next week, we will complete our maths assessments. In Science , we have continued looking at states of mater and reversable and irreversible changes. What better way to test the changes than melting chocolate, observing changes and then eating it! In RE, we looked at what makes a good leader , thought about why Muhammad teaches and inspires Muslims and listened to a few stories inspiring us to look after animals. In maths, we have used Hit the Button to practise our timetables by 2, 5 and 10. Please carry on practising them at home year 2- you are really making progress with these. We had quite a busy week, so we are all ready for the weekend. Have a restful weekend year 2!

Year 3

This week we have had a fantastic week of learning. The children have continued with their diary writing in English as study the story of Rosa Parks. The children have done a fantastic job at capturing all of the emotion she would have felt during the that time. In maths we have moved on to a new unit of shape. This week in that unit we have focused on the angles in different shapes which the children

have done a fantastic job at finding right angles, acute and obtuse angles in the classroom. In PE we have continued with cricket and this week worked on our fielding skills!

Year 4

Year 4 have a very thought-provoking week. We've looked at Rosa Parks and her impact upon segregation in the USA. After lots of heated discussion about how appalled we all were, we put ourselves in Rosa's shoes and wrote a diary entry based upon her famous bus journey.

In maths, we have been studying angles (not angels!). On Monday, we made right-angle finders and went on a hunt around the school to find some! We've also compared sizes of angles this week and used the correct vocabulary to do so: acute, right angle and obtuse. Learning opportunity: How many angles can you find around your home? Are they acute, right angles or obtuse?



Year 5

This week in year 5 we have continued with 'Off with her head' topic, reading Macbeth and then listening to Tudor music and learning a part of a Tudor dance. P.E. has been challenging for them this week, learning to hit the ball from a bounce, we did lose a few over the wall! Please could parents make sure that children have their water bottles everyday especially on P.E. days, thank you 😊

Year 6

This week Year 6 have been preparing themselves for assessment week. They have all worked incredibly hard and we have had a wonderful week! We have continued to study Alma in English and have continued the story on.

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Absences: Please can parents telephone the school office on **each day** of their child's absence. This is a requirement and fulfils the school's duty of care for all our families.

As we are slowly emerging from a pandemic, we, as a school, are trying to make sure that all pupil absences are tracked with regards change in condition whether this be improvement as well as a decline in health. A quick daily call, at the parent's convenience, is all we require as a means of a wellbeing check, and this is something that can be arranged between the school office and the family. Similarly, if it is more convenient for the office to call at a specified time, then we are more than happy to arrange this.

For 'normal' illness such as sickness or a tummy bug, where a 48-hour absence rule applies, we would not, in this instance, considerate it necessary to make a call.

Summer Term School Trips

Full payment for the trips is due by Friday 25th June.

Please remember to complete the consent form as soon as possible and return it to the class teacher.

Date	Year	Activity	Cost to Parents
Tuesday 13/07/21	Year 3	Mount Batten Water sports	£30.00
Wednesday 14/07/21	Year 5	Mount Batten Water sports	£30.00
Thursday 15/07/21	Year 4	Mount Batten Water sports	£30.00
Thursday 15/07/21	Foundation	Churchwood Forest School	£15.00
Friday 16/07/21	Year 1	Churchwood Forest School	£15.00
Friday 16/07/21	Year 6	Elemental UK - Falmouth	£35.00
Thursday 22/07/21	Year 2	Churchwood Forest School	£15.00



Awards of the week.

Foundation

Headteacher's award - Cara Thomas got it for good letter formation

Year 1

Headteachers award – James for his hard work and determined attitude in Read Write Inc.

Writer of the week – Chloe for her effort with independent writing.

Mathematician of the week – Cody for his fantastic attitude to improving his numbers to 100.

Year 2

Headteacher's award - Athena for showing perseverance in all her reading tests.

Mathematician of the week – Taibah for engaging in out maths sessions and taking ownership of her learning.

Writer of the week – Marco for trying hard in his letter writing and showing independence in his work.

Year 3

Headteacher's Award - Ibrahim for working really hard in his phonics lessons.

Writer of the week - Charlie for an excellent diary entry.

Mathematician of the week - Oliver for working really hard on our new unit.

Year 4

Headteacher's Award – Jenson H for taking ownership of his learning, especially his writing, and using points for development independently within his work.

Writer of the week - Lilly T for working independently within her writing lessons, applying her knowledge of phonemes and graphemes to her work.

Mathematician of the week - Isla H for being a risk-taker in our angle lessons, volunteering answers even when she's not sure she's correct.

Year 5

Headteachers Award – Isobel Whitley for showing determination and responsibility in all areas of learning throughout the week.

Writer of the week - Sebastian Kata for his reflective writing and use of front adverbials to create captivating sentences.

Mathematician of the week – Amber Bannocks for using great reasoning skills in sorting and drawing shapes.

Year 6

Headteachers Award - Nicola for focused attitude towards all of her work

Writer of the week - Luis for incredible detail and description in his work.

Mathematician of the week - William for increased detail in his answers.

Reminders:

Parent and Carers dropping off and collecting children

- Whilst every effort has been made to minimise contact please may we remind parents to maintain the 2m social distancing regulation and wear masks when dropping off/picking up children. Thank you.

Information for parents

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

If your child develops symptoms of COVID-19, **you should inform the school and organise for your child to be tested** via the [NHS online portal](#) or by calling 119. Your household should isolate until you receive the test results giving the all clear.

There is also an additional testing service for children in Plymouth schools: parents or carers can also book a test be emailing d-ccg.cornwalldevon.urgenttesting@nhs.net

Symptoms of COVID 19

The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are a recent onset of:

- New continuous cough/and/or
- High temperature and/or
- A loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19. Do:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline opening hours

The Department for Education coronavirus (COVID-19) helpline remains available to answer questions about coronavirus (COVID-19) relating to education and children's social care. Please listen carefully to the available options and select the most appropriate to your nursery, school, or college's current situation.

Staff, parents and young people can contact this helpline by calling: Phone: 0800 046 8687

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm

Saturday and Sunday from 10am to 4pm.