



# Stuart Road Primary Academy Newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

This week all pupils have been working hard completing summer term assessments in reading, maths and SPaG. The teachers inform me that they have done themselves proud and you will be informed of their outcomes when annual reports are sent home next Friday.

Today, we hold the first of our stalls afternoons one run by the PTA and one by our Y6 pupils. This will be a weekly fixture until the end of term. Please come along and either purchase uniform or books, or have fun with games with the Y6 stall. All monies will go towards Stuart Road so that we can purchase new resources for our pupils.

This week we also welcomed our new Reception year intake virtually via Zoom. The children and their families were taken on a virtual tour of our EYFS setting and met Mrs Haddy and Miss Kane for the first time. Everyone was very excited to start their new schooling journey together.

Warmest wishes,

Mrs Nicholls

## Notices:

**Teachers for next year:** Refer to details in this newsletter.

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

**Annual School Reports:** Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July

**Leavers Disco:** Leavers Whole School Disco 2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Unwanted gifts stall and books

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Hook a bag stall and hoopla

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July: Cake stall – cake mufti – raffle drawn in playground or online in case of inclement weather.

**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.

**Use the admin email address to contact teachers:** Please do not use eSchools email as a means to contacting your child's teacher, as this form of communication is not used. Instead, you can contact teachers via the school email of: [admin@srps.plymouth.sch.uk](mailto:admin@srps.plymouth.sch.uk). Thank you.

## Disco on Friday, 2nd July!

Details as follows:

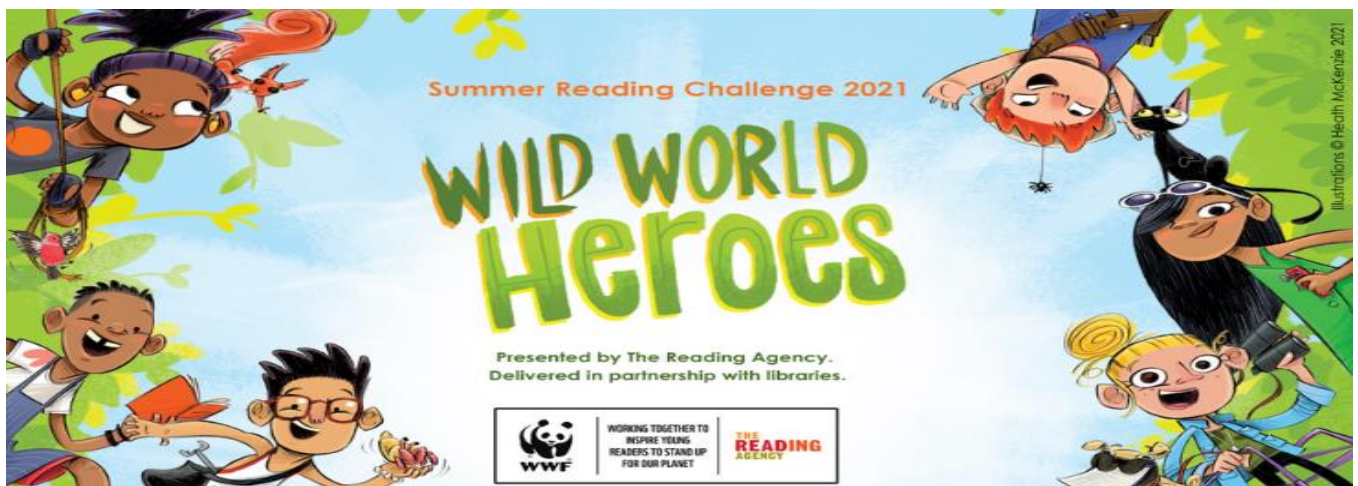
EYFS: the disco is in school time from 2pm - 3pm and children can wear mufti to school for this day.

Year 1, 2 and Year 3: 4.30pm to 5.45pm.

Year 4, 5 and Year 6: 6.00pm to 7.15pm

NB. Year 6 to arrive at 5pm for mocktails under the gazebo for a 'leavers disco' event and then to join the main disco with Year 4 and 5 at 6pm.

The cost of the disco is £4 per child; pay via School Money (we cannot take any cash). The cost of the disco includes sweets, a drink, glow-stick and goodies. Also included in the cost your child can have a photo taken on the night with their friends or as an individual.



## Go wild for reading with the Summer Reading Challenge!

Our librarians were sorry not to be able to visit schools in person this year to talk about the Challenge, but they've made [this extra special video](#) to explain everything to your pupils.

For this year's Challenge, The Reading Agency has partnered with WWF to create 'Wild World Heroes', which will inspire children to take action for nature and the environment. Join the Wild World Heroes for an exciting adventure in the fictional town of 'Wilderville'. Through reading books, collecting rewards and learning all about our planet, Challenge participants will help the Heroes make Wilderville a greener place to live.

The Challenge is the perfect summer activity to build young readers' skills and confidence during the long break from school. It is available in all Plymouth libraries from 1 July until 11 September.

Children can also take part online through the official [digital Challenge platform](#)

We look forward to seeing you this summer!

**Plymouth Libraries**

## Your Child's Teacher for the new academic year 2021-2022

The table below shows which teacher is teaching in each year group. We will hold two transition mornings on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup>** and **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** when your child can spend time familiarising themselves with their new setting and teaching team.

You will notice that we are welcoming a new member of staff to Stuart Road's teaching team, Mrs Karen Markus. Mrs Markus joins us with a wealth of teaching experience and curriculum knowledge to her position in Classes 4 and 5. Sarah Haddy, EYFS Lead, returns to Stuart Road after one year's secondment at High Street and will continue to fulfil her role as Reception teacher.

Class	Teacher	Teaching Assistant
Reception	Mrs Haddy	Miss Kane
Year 1	Mr Hulcoop-Searle	Mrs Trevaskus
Year 2	Mrs Hannon	Mrs Lonie/Mrs Norris
Year 3	Mr Chan	Mrs Best
Year 4	Mrs Moody/Mrs Markus	Mrs Symons
Year 5	Mrs Nicholls/Mrs Markus	Miss Dorsett
Year 6	Mrs Ioja	Mrs Baker

## Messages from Teachers

### Foundation

As well as continuing with Read Write Inc and the theme of the Billy Goats Gruff it appears that the Big Bad Wolf has returned! The children have spotted signs of the Big Bad Wolf returning to our school and as a consequence been busy plotting how to catch him! They have tried really hard in setting traps and lying in wait for him. They have also left notes to entice him into their traps. Alas, Foundation Class were unsuccessful this time, but you will never know with our class! Iyla has been awarded the Head Teacher's Award this week for her fantastic continuation of her home learning. She has continued to practice her number and writing work on MS Teams as well as Numbots - awesome work!

### Year 1

This week the children have been really resilient and put huge amounts of effort into the assessments we have been undertaking. They want to do well and show what they can do has been amazing and all the children should be incredibly proud of this. Alongside this we have continued with our Read Write Inc learning and the children have again, like always, shown a real commitment to improving their understanding in reading and their sounds. Finally, we have also begun to create our own version of the 'Colour Monster' and we are excited to share them with you soon.

### Year 2

This week was another week of hard work for year 2. In English, we explored the story 'The Day the Crayons Quit' and looked at persuasive features in letter writing. We are practising adding and subtracting within word problems and reasoning tasks in maths. In RE, we have asked ourselves what people can learn for the Muslim holy words. We had a fun Science session where we explored why bubbles are round and investigated making bubble with different wands. Great work year 2!

### Year 3

This week the children have shown an amazing attitude to their summer assessments. They have shown how much they have learned this year and I'm incredibly proud of all of them. We have continued with cricket in PE with the much-anticipated lesson, batting! In our geography lesson we planned out our road trip of states we are going to visit during this unit.

## Year 4

Year 4 have been delving deeper into American History and were introduced to the very inspiring and empowering Martin Luther King Jr this week. In English, we have watched his famous 'I have a dream' speech and put ourselves in the shoes of the spectators. We were all in awe at how determined he was to change their lives for the better.

In Maths, we have looked at symmetry! We have been busy cutting out both regular and irregular shapes and identifying why things are or aren't symmetrical.

In topic, we have continued our road trip across the USA and have explored the state names, matching them to their abbreviations as well as the original tribes that settled within them.

## Year 5

This week, Year 5 have travelled back in time to Tudor times where a plot to kill the monarch was thwarted. These dramatic events have been written up as stories in the style of Spy Master, our class text, ready to share with their Year 6 teacher Mrs Ioja. In maths, we have finished learning about shape and spent a fun final few lessons exploring 3D shapes in our classroom as well as making a variety of polyhedrons. In Topic, we learned to sing Greensleeves, a love letter written to Ann Boleyn by Henry VIII, and managed to sing a three-part harmony!

## Year 6

Year 6 this week have finished their internal SATS! They have all worked incredibly hard and they have done wonderfully! They are all looking forward to the next 4 weeks of project-based work!

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## Summer Term School Trips

Full payment for the trips is due by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> 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 - Iyla has been awarded the Head Teacher's Award this week for her fantastic continuation of her home learning.

### **Year 1**

Headteachers award – Maiya for her determined and responsible attitude towards all of her learning

Writer of the week – Freddie for his hard work in remembering his finger spaces

Mathematician of the week – Alba for her fantastic effort with ordering numbers

### **Year 2**

Headteacher's award - Marco for working hard and showing ownership for his learning.

Mathematician of the week – Asfia for persevering and keep on trying even when she finds something difficult. Well done Asfia for engaging with Numbots as well!

Writer of the week – Emma for trying hard in all her writing and always trying to improve her writing.

### **Year 3**

Headteacher's Award - Harry for a fantastic attitude to his assessments this week.

Writer of the week - Kyla for an excellent progress write about sports day.

Mathematician of the week - Ilan for an amazing attitude to her maths unit on shape.

### **Year 4**

Headteacher's Award – Nola for being a fantastic role model to her peers and consistently trying her best across all areas of the curriculum.

Writer of the week - Jakob for his improved stamina for writing alongside his determination to improve his handwriting.

Mathematician of the week - Calum for taking ownership of his maths learning by working independently on our symmetry topic.

### **Year 5**

Headteachers Award – Justas for his impressive attitude to his learning and showing responsible behaviour in class.

Writer of the week - Kate or her careful editing and improving of her Tudor Tale

Mathematician of the week – Amber Bannocks for creating impressive 3D icosahedrons and dodecahedrons!

### **Year 6**

Headteachers Award - Tom Oliver for a sensible attitude and working hard to make the right choices!

Writer of the week - Ollie Maunder for pushing himself and producing detailed writing!

Mathematician of the week - Daisy Edwards for increasing confidence in Maths!

## 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](mailto: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.