



# Stanford Junior & Infant School

## Newsletter – December 2023



### Dates to Remember: -

**Term Dates – Inset/Teacher Training Days: 15/7/24, 19/7/24**

Term 3: 03/01/24 – 09/02/24 Term 4: 19/02/24 – 28/03/24

Term 5: 15/04/24 – 24/05/24 Term 6: 03/06/24 – 18/07/24

**1<sup>st</sup> Jan**

### New Years Day

3<sup>rd</sup> Jan Back to School – Doors Open 8.50am

5<sup>th</sup> Jan EYFS Hook Day – Superheroes

8<sup>th</sup> Jan Y1 and Y2 Hook Day – Arctic World

8<sup>th</sup> Jan Y3 Hook Day – Prehistoric

8<sup>th</sup> Jan Y4 Hook Day – Rainforests

10<sup>th</sup> Jan Y5 Hook Day – Vikings

10<sup>th</sup> Jan Y6 Hook Day – Medicine and Disease

15<sup>th</sup> Jan Martin Luther King Day

15<sup>th</sup> Jan Y6 SATS Parent Workshop 3.30pm

18<sup>th</sup> Jan Chartwell Food Project – Grab a Pizza the Action

24<sup>th</sup> Jan Y2 Learning Share for Parents/Carers – 9.30am

30<sup>th</sup> Jan FS Visit to Play Avenue

**February** LGBT & History Awareness Month

TBC Community Event Cleethorpes Beach Clean – TBC

5<sup>th</sup> Feb Children's Mental Health Week

6<sup>th</sup> Feb Safer Internet Day

7<sup>th</sup> Feb KS1 & FS Friendship Disco – TBC

8<sup>th</sup> Feb KS2 Friendship Disco – TBC

8<sup>th</sup> Feb Foundation Learning Share

9<sup>th</sup> Feb Y5 Reading Breakfast

9<sup>th</sup> Feb Finish for Half Term – normal time 3.15pm

10<sup>th</sup> Feb Chinese New Year

13<sup>th</sup> Feb Shrove Tuesday

14<sup>th</sup> Feb Acts of Kindness Week / Valentines Day

19<sup>th</sup> Feb Back to school – Doors open 8.50am

28<sup>th</sup> Feb Y4 Mayan Chocolate Workshop – TBC

**March** Easter Service – TBC

5<sup>th</sup> Mar Y3 Reading Breakfast

6<sup>th</sup> Mar Y1 Trip to The Deep

7<sup>th</sup> Mar World Book Day

8<sup>th</sup> Mar International Women's Day / Science Week

10<sup>th</sup> Mar Ramadan Begins

12<sup>th</sup> Mar Y6 Reading Breakfast 9.10am

12<sup>th</sup> Mar Y4 Yorkshire Wildlife Trip – TBC

13<sup>th</sup> Mar Y1 Learning Share for Parents/Carers 2.30pm

13<sup>th</sup> Mar VR WCO Workshop

15<sup>th</sup> Mar Comic Relief

20<sup>th</sup> Mar Y4 Learning Share for Parents/Carers 9.10am

**March** Church Easter Service – TBC

25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Mar Y5 Bikeability

28<sup>th</sup> Mar Finish for Easter 2.00pm

29<sup>th</sup> Mar/ 1<sup>st</sup> Apr Good Friday / Easter Monday

15<sup>th</sup> Apr Back to school – Doors open 8.50am

13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May KS2 SATS

13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May Mental Health Week

24<sup>th</sup> May Finish for Half Term

**June** Y5/Y6 Residential Trip Kingswood – TBC

3<sup>rd</sup> Jun Back to school

3<sup>rd</sup> Jun Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

6<sup>th</sup> Jun Y3 Trip to Lincoln Castle

10<sup>th</sup> Jun Y6 trip to Lincoln Castle

10<sup>th</sup> Jun Phonics Screening

13<sup>th</sup> Jun Writes Class Photos

3<sup>rd</sup> Jul Y2 Trip to Far Ings Nature reserve

**July** KS1 Sports Day – TBC

**July** KS2 Sports Day – TBC

15<sup>th</sup> July Inset day – school closed to pupils

18<sup>th</sup> July End of Term – school finishes at 2pm

Please see [www.stanfordschool.org](http://www.stanfordschool.org) for further information.

Hook Days Dress up is optional!

### Curriculum and the Community

We have supported Diabetes Awareness Day, Christmas Jumper day, Children in Need, MacMillan Coffee morning, Harvest (Harbour Place), Jeans for Genes, Remembrance Day, and appreciate the links with the British Legion. We have raised over **£885** in total for charitable organisations – Big Thanks! Thank you so much for your support with the Christmas fayre this year – the pupils were amazing too and helped design and make products to sell. Thank you for all the donations from yourselves, support from volunteers and Governors and from local businesses.

We raised **£1186** and we're so pleased with the positive atmosphere and feedback.



The Christmas performances in the school hall, Cloverdale and the Carol Concert at St Margaret's Church were truly exceptional this year – the singing and clear voices from the pupils were wonderful. Thanks for your support.

Have you had a chance to see our Community Pantry, located in the Main Office foyer? Filled with lots of essential items, whether you need a helping hand or wish to contribute, please come and use as you need!



There have been lots of exciting learning opportunities again this term – visits to, local library, fieldwork trips, reading breakfasts, reading with Santa, visit from Sunita from the Hindu Experience, you may have noticed the lovely metal hand painted flowers created with the ladies from the Vanel Trust as well as lots of our learning shares etc



### Parliament Week

We were fortunate to have a visit from our local MP Martin Vickers for Parliament Week. The pupils enjoyed asking lots of questions



### Sport

Our football teams continue to go from strength to strength competing in a number of inter-schools tournaments!







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KS2 girls played Wybers Wood Academy. The girls were phenomenal, winning all 3 of their games- amazing team work, great goals! Well done girls! \* Years 3/4 football team played a friendly match against Wybers Wood Primary, scoring some fantastic goals, great teamwork.

### Foundation

This term we welcomed our new starters in Foundation. We have been learning about our favourite things, harvest festival, bonfire night, Diwali, road safety, why we wear poppies and started learning our phonics sounds!



We have learned and performed 'We're going on a bear hunt' for the Macmillan Coffee morning and also baked some delicious cakes!



Mrs Petyt showed us how to plant winter pansies and Chartwells visited to tell us all about growing your own vegetables! We made poppies for remembrance and learned why we wear them as well as making our own lamps for Diwali

### Year 1

We have been learning how to make friends and celebrating friendship as we started this school year. We also learned about different types of houses on our Geography fieldwork trip as well as human and physical geographical features.



We have practised our computing skills, enjoyed Yoga and our Halloween disco! We have been investigating materials and evergreen trees in science & pizza making!

### Year 2

What a lot of amazing artists we have this year! Lots of amazing sketches and paintings to display around school. Our class also made ourselves some very delicious fruit smoothies. We were also scientists investigating different materials and started to learn our times tables!



### Year 3

Thank you for supporting our hook days and helping with costumes for the Egyptian and Explorer experience. We have really enjoyed getting to know how mummies were made. We also learned where Egypt is and how different it is to where we live.



In Art and DT we also had fun painting flowers, you may have seen them. We also took part in a sausage making workshop with Chartwells Catering and enjoyed performing at the church for our Carol Concert, we hope you enjoyed it!



### Year 4

We have been learning about community, starting with the Anglo Saxons invasion and what a settlement is through to today and how people are displaced by immigration. During Sunita's visit we enjoyed creating some Rangoli art, we also contributed to the metal flower project and used our skills to draw and paint still-life.

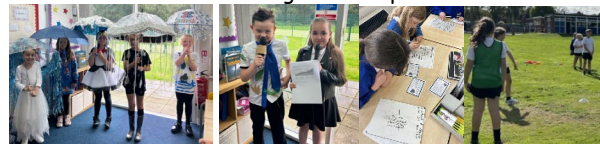


We were scientists for the day and really enjoyed a range of fun experiments.



### Year 5

Wild Weather and navigation has been our focus this term and we really enjoyed our hook day! We also took part in invasion games during PE, reasoning and problem solving during maths collaborating with our peers!



### Year 6

This term was all about the Ancient Greeks. We have looked at how they lived and how our world has been shaped by their existence.

We have looked at how our world is changing, physically and politically and studied Yoga and mindfulness too. Art has been great fun, taking a look at surrealism and trying out different painting techniques.

Safety Poster competition winners and world mental health day



### Clubs

All of our clubs have been busy again this term, it's been great to get outside with all the fabulous weather we have had.

The Craft Club was been busy making a wreath from recycled fabric for Remembrance Day and Christmas cards for the Fayre, thank you to all who bought them.





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### Gardening Club

The Gardening Club have been busy planting trees and preparing for next spring.

We have a whole range of exciting afterschool activity clubs starting again week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> Jan for 10 sessions up to Easter break, information to follow.

Football, Multi-Skills, Cooking, Dance, Craft, Chill, Reading, & Music Therapy running alongside our Breakfast and Afterschool Club - see [www.stanfordschool.org](http://www.stanfordschool.org) for more information and book at [www.scopay.com](http://www.scopay.com) (support offered for Pupil Premium Pupils please ask the business manager)

### Transitions & New Starters

Transition days to your chosen Senior Schools in 2023 - dates and arrangements are made by your chosen schools. We will forward information as soon as we have it in the summer term

### Health & Safety

Compass Go -Anxiety Workshop was well attended, it was great to see so many parents attend

### Road Safety Week

This week, children have learned about the importance of being safe on the roads. We were visited by Mark, who spoke to us all about the importance of wearing seatbelts and safety helmets, with practical presentations of the benefits. He also ensured we all knew about the different types of crossings and the first rule of the Green Cross Code - Stop, Look, Listen, Think!



### Renovations

We would like to thank you all for your patience during the building works, they took a little longer than we hoped but they did a fantastic job. We hope you had chance to come in for a look around the new space. The children have now all moved into the new spaces and enjoying their new surroundings! Thank you to Governors, Local Authority representatives, MP Martin Vickers and Counsellor Hasthorpe for attending our official opening.



### Personnel

We say goodbye to Miss Chilvers as she leaves us this term and wish her good luck in her future role.

We welcome Miss Jones as the new Class Teacher for Year 5 and also welcome Miss Marshall as a new teaching assistant.

### Thank You

May I take this opportunity to say thank you for your wonderful support this term - attending school events, help with community events, donations for our charities and the fayre, helping with costumes and props for the performances, supporting home reading etc. We all really appreciate it.

Wishing you all a Happy Christmas with your family and friends from the Stanford Family

Big thank you to the Christmas Fayre Committee, Mrs & Mrs Robinson, Miss King and our special guest Santa himself!

### Wellbeing Helplines:-

NSPCC: 0808 800 5000 or [help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk).

Women's Aid: 01472 575757

### Useful Domestic Abuse helplines:

National Domestic Abuse Helpline\*  
0808 2000 247

Hull Domestic Abuse Partnership  
01482 318 759

\*(24/7)

Women's Aid Online Chat  
[www.chat.womensaid.org.uk](http://www.chat.womensaid.org.uk)

North & North East Lincs support, The Blue Door  
0800 197 47 87

Hull Women's Aid  
01482 446099

East Riding Support  
01482 396 330

The Men's Advice Line  
0808 801 0327

Respect - Helpline for offenders  
0845 122 86 09

Mankind Initiative  
01823 334 244

Samaritans\*  
116 123

