



# Stanford Junior & Infant School

## Newsletter - 17th December 2021



### Thank You

Thank you for all your support and help this term. We have had another super term - the pupils have been amazing and have been working really hard!

Wishing you a Very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year, from the Stanford Family x

### Well-being

Our Pupil Voice Well-being Champions have been having regular meetings and have planned some excellent activities to offer further support to their peers. For example, mindfulness art club and yoga activities led by coaching buddies have helped pupils to look after their well-being.

Each class has a well-being area too such as The Xen area in year 5. The Hub is a calm environment where nurture provision takes place for groups and individuals.

We appreciate the valuable links with agencies such as Go Compass, Young Carers, Young Minds Matter, Humberside Fire and Rescue, LA Road Safety Team, School Nurse, School SEND Advisory Service and PCSO.

Pupils have also been part of our Mental Health Awareness week - pupil voice met to discuss this and led some activities through-out the school.

We have also listed some key numbers that may be of use:-

**Mental Health support**

**THE SAMARITANS** The Samaritans can be contacted by phone or email and are there to listen 24/7  
Call 116 123 from any phone or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)

**YOUNG MINDS** The YoungMinds Crisis Messenger is a free 24/7 UK wide service if you are in crisis, text YM to 35258  
Find out more at [youngminds.org.uk/contact-us](http://youngminds.org.uk/contact-us)

**CALM** Calm run a helpline & webchat to support men who need to talk or find information  
It is open 5pm - midnight, every day  
call 0800 58 58 58 nationwide  
or 0808 802 58 58 from London  
Or visit [www.thecalmzone.net/help/get-help/](http://www.thecalmzone.net/help/get-help/)

**THE MIX** Free, confidential support for young via online, social and mobile.  
Visit [www.themix.org.uk/get-support](http://www.themix.org.uk/get-support) to find out more

**Womens' Aid 01472 575757**

### Community

Road Safety awareness is crucial and we thank the Road Safety Committee, chaired by Mrs Griffiths, Governor, and the links we have with the LA. There has been regular monitoring by agencies and reminders about the importance of choosing to walk, scoot or bike to school where possible, rather than come by car. Please also remember there are a number of safe parking spots such as Butt Lane and The Pit in addition to the Stanford Centre. If these are used, this helps reduce congestion on Cooper Lane.

Thanks for your support with Mental Health Awareness, Shoe Box Appeal, Poppy Appeal and Children in Need. We are really impressed with the pupils' contributions and support with organising these events too.

Thank you to Mrs Wink and the Stanford Library for their support with some books on the important topic of equality. Well done to the year 5 and 6 Library Helpers - they have impressed the team with their excellent organisation and communication skills.

Pupils really enjoyed singing at the Caistor Victorian Fayre and at Cloverdales - thank you for your support and to Mrs Brady and Miss Perrin for organising these events.

We even had a visit from baby Cooper to learn about bath-time and keeping ourselves clean and healthy.



### Curriculum

Pupils have continued to enjoy a vibrant and ambitious curriculum for all.

Designing, creating and making enterprise products has been a real highlight.

Thank you so much for your generous support with the Raffle - all in all the events have raised £1,300 for school funds - this is greatly appreciated and will be used to purchase new reading books and resources for the pupils. Well done to the year 6 pupils who wrote to local businesses for their support too - we are really grateful for the support.



The parties in school have been brilliant - pupils enjoyed playing games and dancing!

FS/1 thoroughly enjoyed their Rand Farm experience and Polar Express Activity Day, as did Yr2 and their special activity day. Santa even had time to make a visit too - brilliant to see him as he

is so busy at this time of year! FS and yr 1 have been working on their slide show to share their singing and all classes will be sharing their singing via secure text link.



SMSC and PSHE continues to be the golden thread running through our curriculum and school vision. As part of our curriculum, Transgender Awareness Week, Road Safety Awareness, Mental Health Awareness day and Anti-Bullying Week support this important work.

Pupils also benefited from a visit from 'The Hindu Experience' - Sunita led workshops for KS 2 classes.

We are so proud of the Pupil Voice work in school as it is such a valuable strategy. For example, pupils led our special Remembrance Assembly in school following the visit from the British Legion.



Coaching partners is well developed at school. We have loved seeing the support and improvement peer coaching has made to pupils progress and understanding with reading vocabulary and comprehension.



#### PE and Clubs

Our pupils have had the opportunity to learn new skills in our archery Wow day, table tennis club, multi skills club and football. We also enjoy lunch clubs, some led by the pupils, such as dance club.

Thank you to the staff for their hard work and time in leading these. We really do appreciate providing enriching activities for the children, such as craft club, reading club and cookery too. Our club provision continues to be an excellent offer - please see web pages or school office for further details.



#### Personnel

Thank you to the Full Governing Body for their support and work with the school. We really appreciate the volunteer support from the governors too.

We send our Get Well wishes to Miss Wilson. Cornflower Class are being taught by Miss Hoad next term, who has already spent time getting to know the pupils this term.

Thank you to Ms Kitatta who has completed her placement - we wish her well for the future.

Sadly, we are saying good bye to Mrs Jackson from the office - thanks for all your work and good luck for the future.

Finally, a huge thank you to the staff for all their hard work and dedication again this term.

Thank you for your understanding re Covid related absences in school - like all settings and establishments Covid has impacted in some way. We have covered where possible and staff have been flexible and supportive to ensure the very best standards continue at Stanford.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

#### Dates to Remember

**Fri 17th December - End of Term, 2.00pm**  
**Wed 5th January - Start of Term**  
**Thu 6th January - FS / Year 1 Hook Day (Animal Dress-Up)**  
**Thu 6th January - Year 2 Hook Day (Penguins)**  
**Mon 10th January - Year 4 (Art Focus)**  
**Tue 11th January - Year 3 Hook Day (Cavemen / Prehistoric)**  
**Wed 12th January - Year 5 (Vikings) and Year 6 (Medicine & Disease) Hook Days**  
**Fri 11th February - End of Term**  
**Mon 21st February - Bank Holiday in lieu of Queen's Jubilee**  
**Tue 22nd February - Start of Term**  
**Wed 2nd March - Wow Day**  
**Thurs 3rd March - World book day**  
**Thurs 24th March - Bikeability**  
**Wed 30th March - Wow Day**

**Term Dates - Inset/Teacher Training Days - 2/9/21, 3/9/21, 22/7/22. Extra Bank Holiday - 21/02/22**

Term 1: 06/09/21 - 22/10/21	Term 2: 01/11/21 - 17/12/21
Term 3: 05/01/22 - 11/02/22	Term 4: 22/02/22 - 01/04/22
Term 5: 19/04/22 - 27/05/22	Term 6: 06/06/22 - 21/7/22

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