



# Stanford Junior & Infant School

## Newsletter – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2018



### Children in Need Thank You

Many thanks for supporting the Children in Need Day. £200.17 was raised for this worthwhile cause. The pupils looked great and we think they enjoyed their spotty biscuits too!

### Curriculum

#### Anti-Bullying Week - 'Choose Respect'

Thank you to Mrs Marsden for leading this important week in school. All pupils contributed to a special assembly and follow up activities in class as suggested by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. Pupils also enjoyed a 'Mix-It Up' lunch on Tolerance Day. We are very proud of the focus we have on respecting everyone in school.



### Reading

We value reading at Stanford and Pumpkin Class enjoyed a visit to the Stanford Library last week. Year 6 Reader Leaders continue to do a brilliant job in supporting younger pupils to read and share their love of reading.

### Poppy Day



Mr Forest from the British Legion led a special assembly for us about the importance of Remembrance Day. Pupils learnt that it was 100 years since the end of World War 1. Pupils created art work and poetry about this important time in history in remembrance of those who gave so much.

### Talent Show



A well organised group of pupils in Star Anise led the 'Stanford's Got Talent' Competition this year. Well done to all those who shared their talent in the try-outs and well done to the finalists. We were really impressed with the high level of skill shown and an

extra well done to a Juniper pupil who won first place for excellent piano playing. A special thank you to Mrs Cawley who helped the year 5s to organise this event.



### Learning Share

Both Sunflower and Star Anise pupils showed their high standard of learning at these events with parents/carers and were very proud. Mrs Groves led a music workshop around the theme 'Re-cycling' and the pupils developed their knowledge and rhythm skills. Star Anise showcased their learning and shared See-Saw (our new interactive computing app.)



### New School Pet

Each class takes it in turn to care for our stick insects. Pupil Voice feedback is really positive and we are looking forward to doing some linked science work too. Thank you to Mrs Campbell for her support and donations.



### Community Visitors and Visits



Juniper Class enjoyed their visit to Normanby Hall to learn more about Victorians. Mrs Wharton visited Sunflower Class to discuss her trip to Africa. Barley and Star Anise pupils are looking forward to their trips later this term. We really value the enrichment such trips and visits give to the curriculum.

### Workshops for Parents/Carers

Thanks you for attending the recent Foundation Stage Phonics and Maths Workshop and the KS 1 and KS 2 English and Maths Workshops. The feedback was very positive and the pupils enjoyed sharing their learning, techniques and showing the resources we use.

#### Sewing in Seedlings



Thank you to the parents/carers who supported our sewing in Seedlings. We really appreciate your help and thank you for the positive feedback too - it's great to hear you feel the pupils have settled well and were showing really good behaviours.

#### Caistor Christmas Craft Market

Thank you to the choir members, Poppy Class pupils and family members who supported this event last Sunday. Your singing and performance were beautiful and we are really proud of the way you represented Stanford and the community links we have.

#### Parent/Carers Questionnaire Feedback

Thank you again for the feedback we received. 71 feedback sheets were completed and the results are attached to this newsletter.

We are delighted with the overwhelmingly positive results and are particularly proud that 97% of parent/carers feel that their child makes good progress at school and are taught well at school. 96% of the responses felt that their child feels safe and is well looked after at school. We continue to ensure positive communication with parents/carers and find that mentor meetings, open-door policy, blog, newsletters and annual reports support keeping parents up to date with the progress of their child/ren. We have also purchased Purple Mash to help support home learning and the pupils have given positive feedback. We appreciate the support that is given regarding home learning, please share your views.

#### Funds

We are always looking at ways to fundraise for School Funds. Thank you for your support for the Halloween event - over £200 raised. We have also received £4999 from Laceby Solar Farm Community Funds. This will go towards developing 'reading pods'

at school and further links with the community. All classes are busy planning, creating, designing and making products for sale at the Christmas Fayre on the 5<sup>th</sup> December - please put the date in your diary!

#### Personnel

Our new Learning Mentors at school are Mrs Felicity Fielding and Mrs Julie Jones. Both members of staff are well known to the pupils as they are also Teaching Assistants at school and support at lunchtime - these roles will continue as before. Our new Learning Mentors are keen to introduce themselves to parents/carers and will be sending out a newsletter shortly. The School Nurse drop in will continue with Mrs Wright as will the links we have with other agencies. Mrs C Smith is DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead) in school and Mrs Hackfath is DDSL (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.) We are very proud of our links with the community and value the support we have from students and volunteers. There are many other volunteers who give up their time to support events and activities and we are extremely grateful. If you would like to support at the up and coming Christmas Fayre please see a member of staff for details. Thank you.

#### Dates to Remember:-

Wk beg Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Nov - Road Safety Awareness Week  
 Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Nov - PSCO Marc and Humberside Fire and Rescue Safety Assembly  
 Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Nov - Non Uniform Day - Donations towards Christmas Fayre  
 Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov - Shoebox Appeal donations are being collected  
 Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Nov - Book fair in school all week, 3.15pm  
 Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Barley Class trip - The Collection, Lincoln  
 Thu 29<sup>th</sup> Nov - Poppy Learning Share, 2.30pm  
 Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Nov - Star Anise trip - Grimsby Heritage Centre  
 Tue 4<sup>th</sup> Dec, 1.30pm - Seedlings Nativity and Enterprise Event  
 Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Fayre, 3.15pm  
 Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Dec - Cygnet Christmas Dinner for pupils (order online pls)  
 Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - Human Rights Day  
 Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Sing-A-Long - FS and Pre-School  
 Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Dec, 1.45pm - KS2 Christmas Carol Concerts at St Margaret's Church  
 Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Dec, 5.00pm - YR 3 and 4 Christmas Carol Concerts at St Margaret's Church  
 Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Dec, 5.00pm - YR 5 and 6 Christmas Carol Concerts at St Margaret's Church  
 Thur 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - Big Sing - Poppy Class  
 Thur 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - KS 1 Christmas performance, 1.45pm (all welcome)  
 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas Jumper Day  
 Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Dec - Panto Trip, Cinderella at Parkway Cinema  
 Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - Party Day  
 Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, 2.30pm - end of term  
 Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Feb - Safer Internet Day  
 Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Feb - Friendship Activity (after school fundraiser)  
 Thur 7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day (details to follow)  
 Wk beg 11<sup>th</sup> March - Happy Chicks arrive in school  
 Wk beg 11<sup>th</sup> March - Juniper - Block Swimming begins  
 Wk beg 13<sup>th</sup> May - KS 2 Sats  
 Wk beg 10<sup>th</sup> June - Yr 1 Phonics Screening  
 Thur 13<sup>th</sup> June, 6.00pm - RSE - Big Talk Parents Workshop  
 Tue 18<sup>th</sup> June - RSE - Big Talk workshops for pupils

Term Dates - Inset / Teacher Training Day - 07/01/19, 23/04/19, 03/06/19 & 18/07/19

Autumn Term 1:	04/09/2018 - 19/10/2018
Autumn Term 2:	29/10/2018 - 21/12/2018
Spring Term 3:	08/01/2019 - 15/02/2019
Spring Term 4:	25/02/2019 - 05/04/2019
Summer Term 5:	24/04/2019 - 24/05/2019