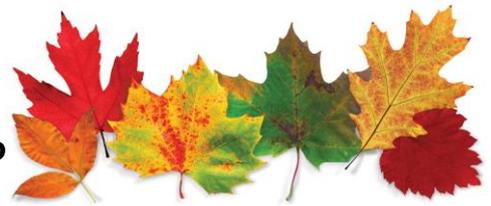




# Stanford Junior & Infant School

## Newsletter - Friday 16th December 2016



### Curriculum at Stanford Festive Fun!

We are so proud of the quality of teaching and learning at school. The Foundation Stage Christmas Nativity showed excellent performance skills - the pupils sang beautifully and had such clear, loud voices.



Equally, the KS 1 Christmas Play showcased musical talent, teamwork and information all about Christmases Around The World. All members of the audiences were impressed and the feedback at the end was overwhelmingly positive. Well done to all the pupils and many thanks to the parents, grandparents and community members for your attendance and support.

We also enjoyed our Christmas lunch, had a successful Panto Trip to the Parkway on Wednesday and enjoyed making our party food ready for afternoon parties across the school on Thursday! Sunflower Class enjoyed Christmas singing at the Stanford Centre too!



KS 2 pupils performed beautifully at St Margaret's Church and the Carol Concert was very touching. Many thanks for the staff who helped organise this event and to Mrs Mawer and Mr Stevens at the Church for always making us feel so welcome.



### Tuck Shop

Pupil Voice decided that we would have a Christmas Themed Tuck Shop this week to celebrate three successful years! Some classes were busy baking and contributed to the delicious offerings this week!

### Lincoln Trip

Year 3 and 4 pupils thoroughly enjoyed a trip to The Collection last week. They were involved in archaeological digging and cave painting.



### Stanford's Got Talent!

Well done to all the entrants and finalists in the above event - every pupil showed excellent skills and were all brilliant performers. The winners in the end were Lucy K and Holly W who impressed the judges with their dance routine. Thanks also to the Judges, Mrs Cawley and the technicians!



### Anti-Bullying Week- Respect

Work around anti-bullying culminated in a special assembly and a new display in the hall reminding everyone about the 'Power of Good.' Behaviour Ambassadors in school continue to reinforce the values and expectations at Stanford which include respect and valuing the beliefs of others.



### Road Safety Week

Thank you to Mr Cullum, NEL Road Safety Officer for leading our road safety assemblies.



We also continue to organise monthly 'Sticker Days' to encourage pupils and families to walk, scoot or ride

to school rather than congesting Cooper Lane with vehicles. The event on 9.12.16 was successful with 202/237 pupils receiving a sticker for supporting this event. Thank you to Mrs Smith, Joe, Abi (Head Girl) and Connor (Head Boy) for your help on the day too! However, it has been reported to school that there have been some issues at the end of the day regarding car parking.

Polite reminder: - Please have consideration for other drivers and local residents. Please do not park over drives.

Reporting incidents: - Please contact the police on 101 or Civic parking enforcement on 01472 326290 option 2 email: [carparkingissues@nelincs.gov.uk](mailto:carparkingissues@nelincs.gov.uk)

### **Internet Safety**

Following on from our successful Anti-Bullying Week and work covered as part of the curriculum on staying safe online, below are a some useful websites which may be worth exploring with your child at home -

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) is an excellent website for both children and parents with many handy strategies for keeping safe online. This website also has a portal for you to report any concerns you have regarding any internet activity. There are lots of age appropriate games and information for children to access - just select the relevant section on the homepage.

[www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk) is an excellent website for e-safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe online. This site also has an advice helpline should you require any additional support.

We will be doing more work on e-safety and appropriate use of the internet in the run up the Internet Safety Day in February.

[www.stanfordschool.org](http://www.stanfordschool.org) is our own school website and has lots of useful advice for staying safe, including handy e-safety tips.

If you have any concerns regarding a pupil's use of the internet, whether in or out of school, please get in touch so we can explore any issues properly.

### **Incident Reporting**

We are always very keen to hear any concerns you may have in order to support you in ensuring that they are swiftly resolved. Whether these are concerns specific to you or your child or more general matters, please inform us as soon as possible so that we can address any potential issues promptly.

### **Community**

We are delighted with our positive community links. Thank you to the Cloverdale residents for joining us

at the Foundation Stage Play Rehearsal - it was lovely to see you and we are so pleased you enjoyed it.



Thanks too to the PTFA who led the Christmas Fayre this year. An outstanding total of £1662.00 was raised! Many thanks for your generosity and also to the pupils and staff who contributed by running a 'Grow a £1.00' enterprise event.

Going forward, the PTFA members have decided that they are unable to continue to run the group in its present form. We would like to pass our gratitude to each and every member for their time and commitment over a number of years, with particular thanks to Mrs McCarthy and Mr Childs. All your hard work has been greatly appreciated and we thank you for your contributions to the school which have resulted in new ICT equipment, an outdoor class room and music equipment.

### **Fundraising Children in Need**

Well done to the children at Stanford for their contributions towards Children in Need day. The amounts for each team have been totalled and are as follows:-

Blue - £61.85, Green - £47.84, Yellow - £56.60, Red - £61.79

Altogether, £228.08 was raised to support this needy cause.



### **Shoebbox Appeal**

Many thanks for supporting this cause. 79 boxes were collected.

### **Personnel Update**

We wish Mrs Allen a happy and fulfilled retirement. She has worked at Stanford for 25 years! We would like to thank her for all her hard work and contributions over the years!

We wish Miss Darrell all the best too following her recent ill health.

Miss Donna Neul and Mrs Sheena Hopkins will be joining the team at Stanford as Teaching Assistants from January 2017.

**KEY DATES:-!**

- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Jumper Day
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January** - Seedlings Hook Day Once Upon a Time
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January** - Sticker Day
- Wk. beg 9<sup>th</sup> January** - PSCO Heseltine leading assembly on Respect, Tolerance and Positive Community Behaviour
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January** - Vet Visiting - tbc
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** - Harry Potter Day
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February** - Safer Internet Day
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February** - Safer Internet Assembly led by Mr Harris, from keeping Children Safe Online
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March** - Cygnet leads 'Ready, Steady, Cook!'
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March** -KS 1 Singing Festival
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March** - Happy Chicks visiting

**Term Dates 2016 - 2017**

16/12/16	School closes for Christmas at 2.30pm	1	2	3
04/01/17	School opens at 8.50am	4	5	6
17/02/17	School closes for half-term	7	8	9
27/02/17	School opens at 8.50am	10	11	12
07/04/17	School closes for Easter	13	14	15
25/04/17	School opens at 8.50am	16	17	18
26/05/17	School closes for half-term	19	20	21
06/06/17	School opens at 8.50am	22	23	24
14/07/17	Closed for Inset Day	25	26	27
25/07/17	School closes for summer	28	29	30
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**Thank you for your continued support.**

**On behalf of all the staff at Stanford I  
would like to wish you A Very Happy  
Christmas  
And a Peaceful New Year!**