# Stanford Junior & Infant School Newsletter - 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

We are having a fantastic term - lots of exciting activities and great learning!

Remember to look at the school website and Facebook for more information too. We are so proud of our wonderful curriculum and hope you enjoy finding out about it.



Have a super half term and we look forward to welcoming the pupils back to school on Tuesday 8th June, 2021 at their Bubble start times. Thanks for your continued support. Mrs Hackfath, Head Teacher.

# Covid Risk Assessment Revalidation visit by NELC

A member of the Health and Safety, Occupational Health and Wellbeing team visited school last week to revalidate our Covid-19 risk assessment. The Local Authority have taken the decision to keep all the control measures in place in schools for the rest of the school year. Unfortunately, this means, we will be unable to ask parents on site for Leaver's Service, sports days etc again this year. The risk assessment at school had been revalidated and we continue to keep the pupils and staff as safe as possible.

# Hook and Curriculum Days



Pupils love their 'Hook Days' in school - as part of our Pupil Voice work, they have requested these stay in place, as we review our curriculum, as they are so popular! Thank you for your help with resources and costumes etc - we love creating special memories and having fun! Please see the diary date section for further curriculum dates next half term which the pupils have helped to design and are looking forward to sharing their learning with you and members of the community.

# Alzheimer's UK

Miss King is taking part ing the Yorkshire Three Peaks this weekend for Alzheimer's UK, if you would like to donate ple go to: www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Dawn-

King8?utm\_source=Sharethis&utm\_medium=fundraising&ut m\_content=Dawn-King8&utm\_campaign=pfpemail&utm\_term=f44fe85b39fb4d8ebfe729ca06c50be6.

# Founder's Day

We have enjoyed celebrating the school's birthday again this year in our special Founder's Day activities. Pupils loved



having a party and finding out more about Sarah and Philip Stanford and the history of our school badge. Thank you to Deputy Mayor Hasthorpe for the video and to the Stanford Trust for the coins for the pupils. We have enjoyed seeing our school flag fly high and listening to our special school



WOW Day



Pupils are really enjoying our 'Wow' sports days with Premier Sports this term. There has been a range of activities for the children to enjoy - they have been able to develop their team work skills and listening skills too!

As we have been unable to involve parents in the Sports Days on site, we hope you have enjoyed hearing about the days from your children and seeing the photos etc on our school social media sites.

Pupils are also looking forward to our special Skipping Workshop Day on June 16<sup>th</sup> - more details to follow. Thank you to Mr Middleton for organising these events.

**Bikeability** 



Our older pupils enjoyed developing their road safety skills with the Bikeability team this term too. School Governors gave fantastic feedback to the pupils' skills and attitudes. Well done and keep safe on the roads! Remember to wear your helmets and follow the guidelines.

Community – Rights Respecting and Transform our World Project



At Stanford we care about our environment and the world around us. This year, all classes took part in a project called 'Transform Our World', where we learned more about

climate change and people such as Greta Thunberg. Some classes recorded speeches, created posters and even got in touch with our local MP with our views on the matter. We are committed to learning about Sustainable Development Goals and are doing our bit to contribute to the wider community. Linked to this, we will soon be further developing our understanding of the United Nation's Charter of the Rights of the Child, following the 'Bronze' award we previously received as a 'Rights Respecting School.' Mr Middleton, Geography Lead

#### Walk to School Week





Brilliant to see how many families and pupils chose to walk to school last week (despite the rain!) It is such a great way to help stay fit and healthy and reduce traffic congestion near the school. Thank you for your help!

#### Race for Life

Well done everyone - you have helped to raise £222.00 for this very worthwhile charity. The pupils really enjoyed the activity - thank you to Mrs Marsden and Mr Page for leading on this. An extra special donation from a lovely year 4 pupil and their family was also greatly appreciated.



#### After-School Clubs

Kick-starters went really well. Next term we are looking at offering 'Model-Making' club for year 5 with Mr Waterfall and 'Reading Club' to FS/Yr1 with Mrs Jones. Also Mrs Christie will be starting her Cookery Club again. Premier Sports will be leading clubs on a Tuesday and Friday too. Look out for the letters to sign up. Thanks.

## Transition

Pupils are already excited about the next step in their journey and we are supporting and guiding them. A number of transition dates are in place for our year 6 pupils. Many of the events are virtual this year. The pupils have been learning, in their PSHE sessions, about changes and feelings in order to support them in their moves. Mrs Smith, FS/KS 1 Lead, has been making contact with our new starter settings for visits and calls. We have also added a lovely transition video to our school website along with some helpful information for parents and pupils. All being well, we also hope to visit each 'new starter' family (socially distanced) towards the end of term to help ensure the exciting start in September 2021 goes as smoothly as possible. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the new members of our school to the Stanford Family. We are hoping to have the Transition Inset Day in July too to

allow all classes to move up safely to their next class teacher. We find this such a valuable part of our school calendar and we know that the pupils find it really useful too.

## Personnel Update

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs C Smith, who have welcomed a new baby boy. Everyone is keeping well and we are looking forward to meeting him. Mrs Smith passes on her thanks for the lovely cards.

Mrs Hill and Mrs J Smith are covering Mrs C Smith's maternity leave and are Acting -Deputy Heads for part of the week. Mrs Hill is leading Behaviour and Nurture and Mrs J Smith is leading on Safeguarding as Designated

Safeguarding Lead.

Miss Wilson is currently off work and Seedlings class are being covered by Mr Wright and Mrs Jones (both supply teachers known to the school.) I am sure you join with us in

wishing Miss Wilson all the best and we know she really appreciated receiving the lovely messages and Get Well cards.

I am pleased to inform you that Miss Harriet Purshouse has been appointed as class teacher from September 2021- we look forward to welcoming her to our friendly team.

Mrs Fielding will be leaving her Learning Mentor role in early June and Mrs Jones will be taking over these sessions.

Thank you to Mrs Fielding for her work with helping develop wonderful nurture learning at school. Mrs Fielding will continue her teaching assistant role and lunch role at school. Information about staffing and classes for September 2021 will be shared formally in the pupil's annual report this year, as usual.

Mr Lyle has been an excellent student teacher in Barley. We wish him well as he leaves Stanford on 11th June.

#### Dates to Remember:

Fri 28th May - End of Term Mon 7<sup>th</sup> June - Inset Day Tue 8<sup>th</sup> June - Pupils Back Tue 8th June - Y6 Multi-Sports start Tue 8<sup>th</sup> June - Y5 Model Making Club - 3.15-4.15pm Wed 9th June - Y5 Cooking Club - 3.15-4.45pm Thu 10th June - Y4 Swimming Lessons (6 weeks) Fri 11<sup>th</sup> June - Y4 Multi-Sports start Wed 16<sup>th</sup> June - Skipping Workshop Thu 17th June - YR5 Curriculum Event - WW 2 focus/museum Thu 17th June - FS Reading Club - 2.45-3.45pm Thu 24<sup>th</sup> June - YR3 Curriculum Event Thu 24th June - RSE Day Fri 25<sup>th</sup> June - Year 5 and 6 Activity Day Wed 30<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 learning share (virtual) Thu 1st July - YR2 Curriculum Event Tue 6th July - FS/YR1 Curriculum Event Thu 8<sup>th</sup> July - YR4 Curriculum Event Thu 8th and Fri 9th July - Healing Transition Days and John Whitgift Transition days (virtual) Tue 13<sup>th</sup> July - Annual Reports to parents/carers Thu 15<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Fun Day (Pupil Voice led) Fri 16<sup>th</sup> July - 5-7.00pm - Yr6 Leaver's Disco Event Mon 19th July - Training Day to be confirmed Mon 19th July- Yr6 Leaver's Concert sent to parents/carers Wed 21st July - Yr6 Leaver's Service (sent to parents/carers) Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> July - End of term. See early closure times below. Thanks Early closure - 8.45am - 1.30pm 9.00am - 1.45pm 9.15am - 2.00pm

Term Dates -	
Inset/Teacher Training Days - 2/9/20, 5/1/21, 19/4/21, 7/6/21,	
19/7/21	
Term 1: 03/09/20 - 23/10/20	Term 2: 02/11/20 - 18/12/20
Term 3: 06/01/21 - 12/02/21	Term 4: 22/02/21 - 01/04/21
Term 5: 20/04/21 - 28/05/21	Term 6: 08/06/21 - 23/7/21

Please see www.stanfordschool.org for further information and past newsletters.