



# Stamford Green Primary School



19 September 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Reception Weekly Information – w/b 19.9.16

What a fantastic first week of term we have had! The new Reception children are settling in to life at Stamford Green and enjoying exploring their new school. Thank you to all of you who have taken the time to send a short email to your child's class teacher to let us know about anything that your child has particularly enjoyed or has sparked their interest!

Please remember that staggered entry comes to an end this week. All children will be at school full-time (from 8:40am until 3:00pm) from **Thursday 22 September**. We are looking forward to having all of the children in together and seeing them meet all of their new classmates. From now on (and especially towards the end of the week) it would be fantastic if the children could start getting themselves lined up by their teacher's photograph before the initial whistle. This will help ease congestion at the gate and help the children come in to school more independently in future.

This week, as well as continuing to help the children to settle in to school, we will be starting our lessons such as PE and phonics. Thanks to all of you who have already sent in your child's PE kits. If you haven't, please do send it in to school as soon as possible. During phonics lessons, we will cover a new letter sound every couple of days initially. We will be starting with 's' and 'a' this week – looking at the difference between the letter's names and the sounds they make, spotting them at the start of words and also thinking about how to form the letters when writing.

Next **Monday 26 September** will be the children's very first 'Class Open Time.' Class Open Time gives parents/carers the chance to drop in at any time between 3.00pm until 5.15pm to have a look around their child's classroom. We would like to invite as many of you as possible to come and have a look around Reception, we're sure the children will be very excited to be your 'tour guides'! Maybe your child would like to show you their favourite spot in the outdoor area? Or where they play with the train tracks? It would be fantastic to see you there! Please also fill in a sticker which is provided, to say what you like about your child's learning. They are stuck in the front of each child's Discovery Folder and the children love to see your contributions.

Finally, just a couple of reminders to do with school equipment and uniform. Please remember that it is not necessary for children to bring umbrellas in to school (a waterproof coat will suffice). Also, it is part of our uniform policy that children do not wear products (such as hair gel) in their hair at school and that their nails are unvarnished. Please see the attached uniform information sheet for your reference.

Many Thanks

The Reception Team

Mrs McCarthy, Miss Wright, Mrs Vidal and Mrs Dryland



## Messages from the Office

Book Fair will be coming to the school on Tuesday 4 October to Friday 7 October. Please see the flyer sent home in your child's book bag for particular books on offer.

Please be aware that today an adult's bike was stolen from the West Gate. It was a men's Specialized Rock Hopper bike, red and white, similar to the one seen in the photo except with a white saddle. Please keep an eye out if you see it abandoned. Also, please can we recommend that all bikes are locked whenever left on school premises as the school is not responsible for items left.



We are pleased to be welcoming Happy's Circus to Stamford Green Primary School on Thursday 29 September 2016. The circus will be arriving at school during the day and setting up their big top on the field ready for the evening show at 6.00pm (gates open 4.30pm). The show is 2 hours long including a ½ hour interval. Tickets are available now from the school office and cost £10 each (adults and children). Please complete the ticket request form which can be found on our school website and return it with your payment (cash or cheque made payable to Stamford Green School Trust).