Dear Parents/Carers,

27 February 2017

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 27.2.17

During our themed learning this week, 'All About Me' continues with a focus on all our different hobbies and pastimes. Is your child passionate about a particular sport or activity? It would be fantastic if you could send us photos of your child (or maybe the whole family!) enjoying their favourite hobby so that we can talk about these in class time. In addition to thinking about sports, arts and crafts, puzzles etc. we will also be learning about baking as we make our pancakes for pancake day and, of course, thinking about the love of 'reading' on Thursday 2 March for World Book Day!

The children are all invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character for World Book Day, they will be excited to see the whole school and all the staff dressed up too! When choosing your child's costume, please bear in mind that they will be wearing it all day and it should be something comfortable and warm. There will inevitably be lots of children with the same costume so please make sure that all of your child's bits and pieces are name-labelled (as well as their books if they want to bring in a favourite).

During maths we will continue to use our number lines to count and add numbers together. We will also start to learn about subtraction and how number lines can help us with this. We will move on to thinking about 'shortest/longest' and how it is different to describing things in terms of 'shortest/tallest' which we learnt about last week.

The children are coming to the end of Phase 3 of Letters and Sounds this week, the final two sounds that they will be learning are: 'ure' as in 'cure' and 'er' as in 'her'. Please use the flashcards to practise recognition of these sounds at home as well as helping your child to spot them in their reading books and the environment.

Show and Tell will be for the **Pink** group across all classes on **Thursday 2 March**. As always with Show and Tell, please ensure that your child's item only comes into school on the day of their turn, is clearly name-labelled and is nothing too precious or expensive.

Best wishes,

The Reception Team Mrs McCarthy, Mrs Dryland, Mrs Vidal and Miss Wright



Message from the PTA

The Annual Stamford Green Quiz night is this Friday 3 March. There are a few tables left so we have extended the deadline for applications to Wednesday 1 March. If you haven't already organised a team, please do so quickly. Alternatively if you would like to join but are not yet in a team please complete the form and post it in the PTA mailbox (inside next to the Office) and we will put you in a team.

The PTA are looking for a few volunteers to assist with the event please; setting up (organising tables, chairs, preparing quiz sheets) between 5.30pm - 7.30pm, helping to run the bar during the Quiz break, and tidying up at the end of the quiz night. Hopefully sharing the jobs will enable everyone to make the most of the evening.

If you are able to help please sign up at www.volunteersignup.org/MQDTE

<u>SAVE THE DATE</u>: Friday 9 June. There will be a professional theatre company visiting Stamford Green Primary School for an open air production of Peter Pan. More information to follow but it is sure to be a fun packed event for the whole family.

Messages from the Office

Please be advised, there is a number of children in K\$1 with Chicken Pox. Should you have any concerns regarding your child, please see your doctor.

Bottle Tops

Please could you send in any plastic soft drink or milk bottle tops for Reception to use during Eco week. Many thanks.

School Lunches

From week beginning 6 March, roast dinner day will now be on a Thursday. If you wish to change your school lunch from a Wednesday to a Thursday, on this occasion one week's notice will be sufficient. Please let us know by Thursday 2 March if you wish to change. Thank you.

On World Book Day, children will enjoy a different lunch menu on this day. Please see the attached themed menu.

World Book Day

On Thursday 2 March we will be celebrating World Book Day. It would be great if as many children as possible could dress up as a book character. Children should still wear appropriate shoes for school and bring a coat. We would also like to use this occasion to support the Delight Charity which aims to provide children with access to books and fill them with a desire to read. If you would like to donate a children's book (in good condition) to the charity, please bring it into school on World Book Day. In addition to the activities happening in classes and year groups on the day, we have arranged author visits for the children to enjoy on 27 February (Year 1,2 and 3), 8 March (Reception) and 10 March (Year 4,5 and 6).

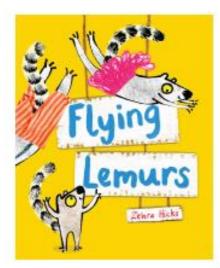
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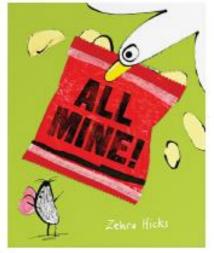
February		
w/b Monday 27.2.16	-	Y6 Practice National Curriculum Tests
Monday 27.2.17	All day	Y1 – Y3 Author Visit – Lou Kuenzler
Tuesday 28.2.17	All day	Y4 World War Two day
Tuesday 28.2.17	9.00am – 10.30am	Come and Play Session for pre-school children and toddlers
March		
Thursday 2.3.17	All day	Whole school event - World Book day – Dress as a book
		character
w/b Monday 6.3.17	-	Eco Week
Tuesday 7.3.17	All day	Y1 Visit to Sutton and District Synagogue
Tuesday 7.3.17	9.30am – 10.20am	School Open morning for prospective Parents/Carers
Wednesday 8.3.17	All morning	YR Author Visit – Zehra Hicks
Thursday 9.3.17	All morning	Y6 Junior Citizen Event
Thursday 9.3.17	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parents' Evening
Friday 10.3.17	9.00am – 9.30am	2G's Class Assembly – Entry via the Office
Friday 10.3.17	All day	Y4 – Y6 Author Visit – A F Harrold



Author visit and book signing with Zehra Hicks Wednesday 8th March

Zehra Hicks, local author/illustrator and mum to children at Stamford Green, will be giving a talk and class workshops to Reception on Wednesday 8th March. She will also be signing books at pick-up at 3pm. If you would like to buy one of her books, you can purchase them in advance from most good bookshops or online from amazon or hive.co.uk. Alternatively, she will have a few copies available to buy on the day.







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Winner Heart of Hawick Children's Picture Book Award 2012 'Read it Again!' Cambridgeshire Children's Picture Book Award 2012 - Shortlist Waterstones Children's Book Prize 2012 - Longlist

Prices of books available on the day

Flying Lemurs: £6

All Mine!: £6 (available in board book or paper back)

The Boy Who Hated Toothbrushes: £5

