



Stamford Green Primary School



18 June 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 18.6.18

Upcoming Dates

- **Tuesday 19 June 8.55am – 10.00am – Parents' Forum** – come and have a chat with Mrs Druce.
- **Thursday 21 June 1.45pm – 2.45 pm - Phonics in Action Workshop (3 of 3)**. If you accidentally missed the last workshop that you signed up to, please email your child's class teacher so that we can arrange for you to attend this one.
- **Friday 22 June – PTA Outdoor Theatre Event** (Alice in Wonderland)

Have you remembered?

- Become a **Mystery Reader**? – email your child's class teacher. We have 5 weeks of school remaining – book you or a relative in to read before your child moves up to Year 1!
- Children should have labelled water bottles, sun hats, and optional (named) sun cream.
- Does your child have wellies in school?

Show and Tell on Thursday: Bees

We continue to learn about Minibeasts this week and will find out more about spiders and their life cycle. We will be writing short stories about minibeasts after creating our own 'minibeast scenario', focusing on having a beginning, middle and end. We will also be talking about the World Cup and what we know, or would like to know, about football. We have enjoyed looking at the flags of the different countries involved and hearing about family members who live in them.

In maths we will continue to explore money – focusing on identifying and sorting different coins. Did your child manage to pay for something at the weekend? We will continue to consolidate our knowledge of teen numbers, looking at how to use a number line to add and subtract. Can you practise this at home?

In Phonics we will review all the Phase 5 sounds we have covered so far and also learn about **split digraphs**. We refer to these sounds as having the 'magic e' because the e at the end of the word jumps over the consonant and makes the vowel before it say its name rather than its sound. For example, the split digraph **a-e** in made is not sounded out as m, a, d, e but instead m, a-e, d. We will learn the sounds **a-e** (as in cake), **i-e** (as in slide) and **o-e** (as in poke). Can you practise these sounds at home? Can you spot them in your reading book? Can you find a rule for these sounds? If you look on Espresso at home there are lots of phonics games to practise these. These are the login details for our school account:

<https://online.espresso.co.uk>

Login: student28837

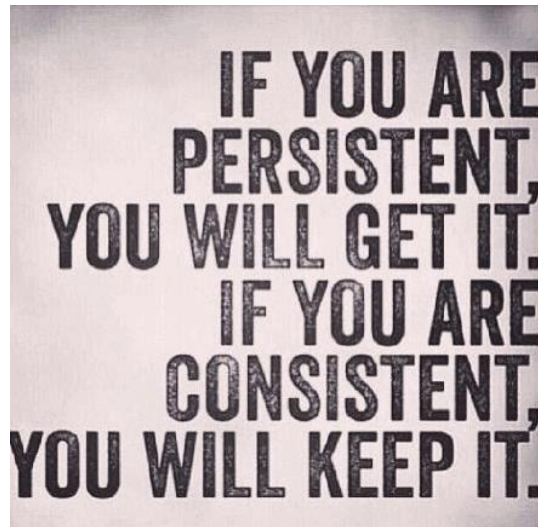
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Our last Phonics in Action workshop is this Thursday – we look forward to seeing you. We are delighted that almost every child has had a parent attend, so if you have been unable to so far, please come along to this last session.

This week show and tell will be: **Bees.**

Have a good week!

Mrs Vidal, Miss Verlander and Miss Wright



Messages from the Office

Summer Dresses

All summer dresses should be completely checked. Dresses which are part check, part tshirt are not in keeping with our uniform policy and should not be worn to school. Many thanks.

Coats

As the British weather can be very unpredictable, please could you ensure that your child has a suitable raincoat in school each day.

Wear a wig for the Marsden

On Friday 13 July, everyone at Stamford Green is encouraged to wear a wig, hat or headscarf to school and make a donation for the Royal Marsden Cancer Charity. We are incredibly fortunate to have this world-leading cancer hospital so local to us and we would like to raise as much money as possible to support the ground-breaking work they do and help their patients in difficult times. Parents, we'd love you all to join us at drop-off too; we'll be collecting donations at both gates before and after school.

Trees and Caterpillars

Following a routine survey of the trees around school last week, it has been identified that some of our neighbour's trees along the West Gate path which overhang the school grounds have an Oak Processionary Moth (OPM) infestation. OPM has been spreading throughout the South of England over the last few years. The caterpillars of the OPM have thousands of tiny hairs which contain an irritating, substance called thaumetopoein. Contact with the hairs can cause itching skin rashes and, less commonly, sore throats, breathing difficulties and eye problems. This can happen if people or animals touch the caterpillars or their nests, or if the hairs are blown into contact by the wind. The caterpillars can also shed the hairs as a defence mechanism, and lots of hairs are left in the nests, which is why nests should not be touched without protective clothing.

The forestry commission have been alerted to the presence of OPM on the school grounds and at the moment they are monitoring in this area but not actively treating infestations. More information is available in the forestry commission leaflet available at:

It is very likely that OPM is also present in other oak trees in the area so please make yourself familiar with the recommended advice:

DO NOT:

- touch or approach nests or caterpillars;
- let children touch or approach nests or caterpillars;
- let animals touch or approach nests or caterpillars; or
- try removing nests or caterpillars yourself.

DO:

- teach children not to touch or approach the nests or caterpillars;
- train or restrain pets from touching or approaching them;
- see a pharmacist for relief from skin or eye irritations after suspected OPM contact;
- call NHS111 or see a doctor if you think you or someone in your care has had a serious allergic reaction;
- consult a vet if you think your pet or livestock has been seriously affected;

Message from the PTA

The weather is looking lovely for Friday and we still have some tickets available for Friday's outdoor theatre production of Alice in Wonderland. Don't miss this lovely family event, tickets available via PTA Events.

Coming up soon:

June		
Monday 18.6.18 – Friday 22.6.18	-	Y6 Residential visit - PGL Windmill Hill
Tuesday 19.6.18	12.00pm – 12.50pm	Y2 Parents' lunch visit
Tuesday 19.6.18	8.55am – 10.00am	Parents' Forum – come and have a chat with Mrs Druce
Wednesday 20.6.18	12.00pm – 12.50pm	1W and 1R Parents' lunch visit
Thursday 21.6.18	12.00pm – 12.50pm	1A and 1F Parents' lunch visit
Thursday 21.6.18	1.45pm – 2.45pm	YR Reading in Action workshop for parents/carers – more details to follow
Friday 22.6.18	12.20pm – 1.10pm	Y4 Parents' lunch visit
Friday 22.6.17	6.00pm	PTA Outdoor theatre event – Alice in Wonderland
w/b 25.6.18	-	Sweetie Jam Jars for the PTA Summer Fun Day can be brought in
Monday 25.6.18	7.00pm – 8.00pm	Y3 to Y6 Online Safety workshop for parents/carers (repeat)
Tuesday 26.6.18	9.00am – 10.30am	Come and Play Session for pre-school children and toddlers
Tuesday 26.6.18 – Friday 29.6.18	3.00pm – 3.45pm	Book Fair
Thursday 28.6.18	8.55am – 10.00am	PTA Class Reps coffee morning with Mrs Druce
Friday 29.6.18	-	Mufti Day in exchange for bottle in a bag for PTA Summer Fun Day
Friday 29.6.18	9.00am – 9.30am	RL's Class Assembly – Entry via the office