



# Stamford Green Primary School



6 February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Reception Weekly Information – w/b 6.2.18

### Upcoming Dates

- **Eco Week** this week
- **Safer Internet Day** on Tuesday
- **INSET Day** is on Friday 9.2.18

**Show and Tell on Thursday:** Purple group

This week our 'All About Me' theme continues as we move onto hobbies and interests. We start the week off nicely by demonstrating some of these hobbies in the Phase 1 Talent Show! The children will be thinking about the several different activities that they enjoy doing, and the areas that interest them most. We will be touching on pirates, space and dinosaurs through a range of stories and activities.

The three new sounds that the children will learn in phonics this week are: 'ar' as in 'farm'; 'or' as in 'fork'; and 'ur' as in 'turn'. As always, it would be fantastic if you could use your child's flashcards to help them make words and to practise recognising the new sounds at speed. Please also help them to spot these sounds in their reading books; it is trickier to spot our new digraphs (two letter sounds) and also to recognise that you speak them together to make just one sound!

During maths lessons we will explore how to measure length using non-standard measures. We will be using items such as unifix cubes to measure objects, and will then have a go at ordering the objects from shortest to longest. We will also look at how to count in tens: 10, 20, 30 and so on.

For Eco Week we will be learning about the importance of being eco-friendly, and what we can do to help our environment. We will discuss recycling and the different goods that may be recycled. It would be great if you could support and encourage this at home. Thank you to everyone who kindly brought in plastic bottles for us to use this week. We are going to be making bird feeders for our outdoor area.

Show and Tell will be for the **Purple** group across all classes on **Thursday 8 February**. 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.

Thank you to all of you who have already returned your child's Golden Book and for all the lovely comments about their work. If you still have your child's Golden Book at home, please fill in the comment sticker with a positive comment about their work and then return to school as soon as possible.

Finally, we would like to remind you that it is an **INSET day** on **Friday 9 February**, so the children break up (at the usual time) on Thursday 8 February for their half term holiday. We look forward to welcoming them back to school on Monday 19 February.

Best wishes,

The Reception Team  
Mrs Vidal, Miss Verlander and Miss Wright



### Messages from the Office

#### **Bedtime and Boundaries Workshop – Tuesday 6 February 9.00am – 10.00am**

We are often asked for parenting advice on how best to support children at home with boundaries and dealing with tantrums etc. In addition there are many families who struggle at times to ensure that their children have a calm peaceful night's sleep. As advertised in the dates for diaries, Mrs Heather Owens-Leather (Family Support Worker) and Mrs Dray are running a Bedtime and Boundaries workshop to share some research and top tips. Please come along to the spare Year 3 classroom at 9.00am - 10.00am on Tuesday 6 February.

#### **End of Day Arrangements**

Would all parents/carers at pick up time please keep an eye on where your toddlers and preschool children are. At the East Gate, please remember to stand back from the blue spot pathway and ensure your children are within your eye sight at all times once they have been dismissed by the class teacher. Other parents are concerned as they often see small children without a grown up near by.

#### **World Thinking Day – Thursday 22 February 2018**

World Thinking Day is a day celebrated by Guides and Girl Scouts to think of each other and celebrate their sisters all around the world. To celebrate, anyone who is a member of Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs or Scouts, may wear their uniform to school on this day.

## Data Collection Sheet

At the November Parents' Evening everyone was given a Data Collection Sheet to check all their details. We have had the majority of these back. We will send out ones again that haven't been returned as yet. Please can you check them and return to the school office even if there are no changes. They will be put in books bags over the next few days. Thank you

### Coming up soon:

February		
w/b Monday 5.2.18	-	Eco Week
Monday 5.2.18	1.30pm	Talent Show for Phase 1 children only at school – more details to follow
Tuesday 6.2.18	All day	Safer Internet Day
Tuesday 6.2.18	-	Y2 – Y6 Homework due in but no homework sent home this week
Tuesday 6.2.18	9.00am – 10.00am	YN – Y6 – Bedtimes and Boundaries Workshop for Parents/Carers
Tuesday 6.2.18	1.30pm	Talent Show for Phase 2 children only at school – more details to follow
Thursday 8.2.18	1.30pm	Talent Show for Phase 3 children only at school – more details to follow
Thursday 8.2.18	-	School closes at the usual times for the half term holiday
Thursday 8.2.18	6.30pm	Music Evening for participating children and adults
Friday 9.2.18	-	INSET – Training day for staff – No school for children