



Stamford Green Primary School



9 October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 9.10.17

Upcoming Dates

- **Thursday 19.10.17** Great Harvest Bake Off Sale and Café 9.00am – 10.00am
- **Friday 20.10.17 INSET Day** – Staff training day - no school for children

Have you Remembered?

- The mini whiteboards and pens are to stay at home, rather than be in book bags.

It was fantastic to see so many of you at our Settling In and Phonics meeting last Thursday. If you were unable to attend this time we will be e-mailing the PowerPoint out to everyone this week.

The focus of our themed learning this week is the story of the Three Billy Goats Gruff. We will be designing and building bridges, acting out the story, drawing the troll and the goats as well as lots of other exciting activities. Have you got a version of the story at home that you could share?

During phonics sessions this week we will be learning about the sounds 'm', 'd' and 'g'. We will be thinking about words that begin with these sounds and will be practising to write the letters, forming them correctly. Can your child find anything at home that starts with these sounds? Can they find the letters written anywhere? Don't forget to carry on practising all the sounds that we have learnt so far.

This week as we read with each child we will be swapping their picture book for a 'book band' book which your child can begin to read to you. The school website has information about what the teachers are looking for with each book band colour.

<http://www.stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk/our-school/learning-and-the-curriculum/reading-and-phonics/>

You should aim to spend 10 minutes each day looking at the book together, using the pictures, letter sounds and context to figure out what the words say. Within each book band there are a range of texts, if your child brings home a long, or tricky one it may take them more than one session to read.

In maths we will be focusing on counting accurately up to 10 objects, and on recognising and writing the numbers 9 and 10, and our shape focus is on Squares. We will be thinking about how to know if a shape is a square, and will be looking for lots of examples of squares in the world around us. Can your child find any at home or when they are out and about?

As last week was Golden Book week your child will bring home their golden book later in the week. We use the Golden Books for one week each term, so once you have shared your child's work with them, and written a positive comment for them on the comment sticker, please send it back to school as soon as possible. Many families like to keep it over the weekend to give them the chance to share it with wider family and friends. We keep the Golden Books until the end of Year 6, when each child is presented with their own bundle, so please endeavor to keep it in good condition, as we do at school.

Thursday 19 October is the school-wide 'Great Harvest Bake Off' sale and café. Reception will be baking gingerbread men to sell (Can you guess what the fairy tale might be that week?). We will be baking throughout next week with all children taking a turn. Please see below for the recipe and be aware that we will be asking for contributions later this week.

Please keep an eye out for a sticker in the 'Notes' section of your child's Learning Journal on Wednesday of this week which may ask them to bring in either a specified amount of one ingredient or maybe a kitchen utensil such as a mixing bowl or spoon. As always, please ensure that anything you send into school is clearly name-labelled. If your child has special dietary requirements your child's teacher will be in touch with you at some point this week.

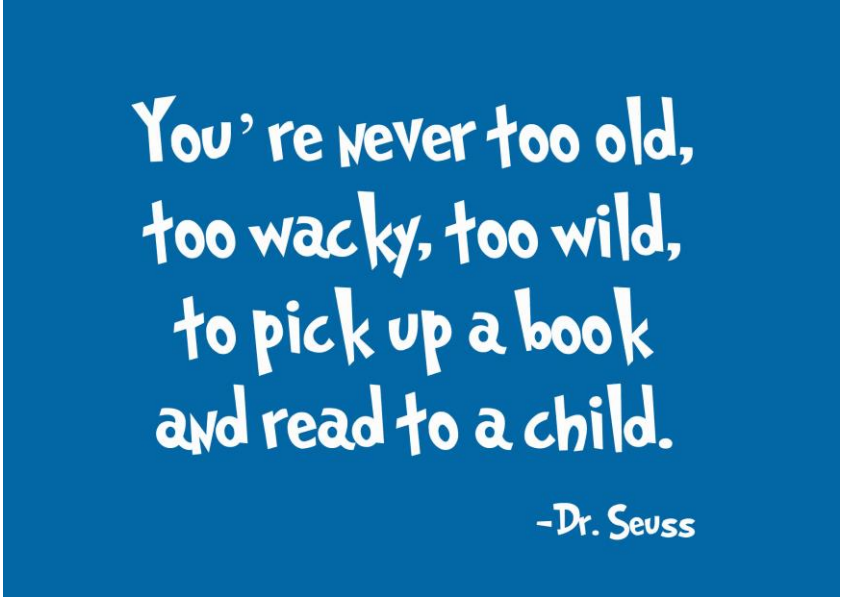
On 19 October the school will be open from 9.00am – 10.00am for all children to sell their wares. Each class will be selling their biscuits from their classrooms and the hall will be open as a 'café' for parents to enjoy the delights. To avoid a rush of parents to each room, a schedule of slots for selling the goods is published in next week's weekly news as explained in the letter sent out last week:

http://www.stamfordgreen.surrey.sch.uk/fileadmin/user_upload/letters_20172018/great_harvest_bake_off.pdf

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a lovely week,

Mrs Vidal, Miss Verlander and Miss Wright



You're never too old,
too wacky, too wild,
to pick up a book
and read to a child.

-Dr. Seuss

Gingerbread Men Recipe

Ingredients:

- 100g soft brown sugar
- 100g golden syrup
- 225g plain flour
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 2 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 1 heaped tsp ground ginger
- 1/2 tsp cinnamon
- 50g unsalted butter

Method:

1. Pre-heat oven to gas mark 5 and grease 2 baking sheets.
2. Sift together all of the dry ingredients. Heat butter, sugar and syrup until dissolved then leave to cool. After that mix them into dry ingredients and make a dough.
3. Chill the dough in the fridge for 30 minutes.
4. Roll out the dough to about 1/4 inch thick and cut into gingerbread men. Place on trays allowing space to spread.
5. Cook for 10-15 minutes.



Miss Wright, Mrs Vidal and Miss Verlander

Messages from the Office

School Lunch Menu

The lunch menu for this week will be:

Monday	Cheese pasta bake with sweetcorn Tomato pasta bake with sweetcorn	Shortbread biscuit
Tuesday	Sausages and mash with peas Quorn sausages and mash with peas	Fruit salad
Wednesday	Chicken korma and rice with green beans Quorn korma and rice with green beans	Cheese and crackers
Thursday	Roast chicken, roast potatoes and carrots Quorn Fillet, roast potatoes and carrots	Yogurt
Friday	Fish fingers, country style potatoes with baked beans	Chocolate brownie

Coming up soon:

October		
Monday 9.10.17	9.00am – 10.00am	Parents' Forum – Come and have a chat with Mrs Druce
Wednesday 11.10.17	9.30am	School and Nursery Open Morning for prospective Parents/Carers
Thursday 12.10.17	9.45am – 11.00am	SGSC Generations Coffee Morning for retired residents and our children's grandparents
Thursday 12.10.17 and Friday 13.10.17	Group times TBC	Y2 Pedals – Road safety course
Tuesday 17.10.17	-	Y2-Y6 Homework due in but none sent home this week
Thursday 19.10.17	9.00am – 10.20am	Great Harvest Bake Off – More information to follow
Thursday 19.10.17	School closes at the normal time	Half term holiday starts
Friday 20.10.17	-	INSET – Training day for staff – No school for children
Monday 30.10.17	-	INSET – Training day for staff – No school for children
Tuesday 31.10.17	8.40am	School opens for YN – Y6
Tuesday 31.10.17	9.00am – 10.30am	Come and Play - Toddler session

