



# Stamford Green

## Primary School and Nursery



INSPIRING

Welcome to our School Newsletter - Issue 2 - September 2023

## Headteacher's Headlines

Dear Families,

### Library Heroes Wanted!

We are very proud of our beautiful well used library and would love some help to make sure that it is appealing and easy for the children to use.

Before the pandemic, we were lucky enough to have some volunteers who would help us to manage the library and we are hoping that we can set this up again.

If you (or grandparents, other family members and friends) have an hour or two a week to help us in the library please, whenever it is convenient for you; it really would be appreciated.

We are looking for help in checking that the books are shelved in the correct place, some labelling from time to time to add new books to the system, taking out any books which are broken and generally making the library as appealing as possible. I will of course run through everything with you!

Many thanks  
Mrs Spooner  
Y3 Leader of Learning  
[parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk)



### News In Brief

#### Calling all Y6 Parents/Carers

Secondary School Applications

Please click [here](#) for more information and application form with Surrey County Council

#### Medical appointments

Please note that non emergency appointments must be made outside of the school day.

In exceptional circumstances e.g. hospital appointments and emergencies, the absence should be reported using the

[Absence Google Form](#)

Please do not use email or telephone.



### Tweet of the week!

3K used a toilet roll to understand the chronology of prehistory. If two sheets represented present day to Roman times and two and a half sheets took us back through the Bronze and Iron Ages, we would need 995 and a half sheets to go back to the start of the early Stone Age!



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Thank you for still remembering to follow the preferred route round **Christ Church Mount** and keeping the school to your left!



## PTA Post



~~Winter Wonderland - Friday 1.12.23~~

**Christmas Fair**  
**Sunday 3.12.23 from**  
**11.00am until 1.00pm**



## I've always wondered...

### When can I access the school via the West Gate?

Managing the access to our large school site and keeping all the children safe is our top priority. To keep all the children at school safe, the West Gate will not be opened during the school day between 9.00am and 3.00pm unless by prior arrangement when a member of staff will be present at the West Gate. Please note the following points:

- If you are late for school, need to collect a child for any reason or need to deliver something to school, please access the school office via Christ Church Mount. Unfortunately, we do not have the capacity for staff to meet individual families at the West Gate.
- For events such as assemblies, performances and workshops during the school day, a member of staff will open the West Gate for families to enter at the start and leave at the end of the event. If you are late or need to leave early, you will need to access the school grounds via Christ Church Mount.
- For internal school run club collections, access is permitted via the West Gate but only during office hours until 4.30pm (you must exit the grounds by 4.30pm). Please wait at the lower west gate and your children will be brought to you.
- For external club collections, please check with the club whether they are able to facilitate West Gate collections.

### Nursery:

- Early collections (2.40pm daily and 11.40am on Wednesdays). The children will be dismissed from the top West Gate - please wait outside the school grounds.
- Wednesday afternoon drop off - a member of staff will be on duty to open the top West Gate. Please walk your children to the lower west gate to meet the Nursery team.

Please remember that the school must not be used as a cut through and access from East to West Gate or vice versa is not



## Community Corner

### Sow the seeds of friendship

Autumn brings with it a range of firsts in education: new classes, new learning and new friends. But there's one age-old tradition that remains the same no matter what year you've started: the autumn harvest.

Harvest is a time for us to be together as a school community, to be thankful for what we have and to share with others who may be in need. Many people in our community may be struggling due to the cost-of-living crisis and there has been a soaring demand for items from food banks. With your support, we know that we can help. Last year, the Foodbank was overwhelmed with our donation as a school and the Community Prefects who delivered the food felt incredibly proud to be part of our community.

Further details of where to leave the harvest donations will be sent out at the beginning of October but maybe you could start setting aside some tinned items or pasta as any donations will be greatly appreciated.

With the new Community Prefects, who have just been appointed, we will be planning some exciting activities to further involve our school community in projects throughout the year so watch this space!

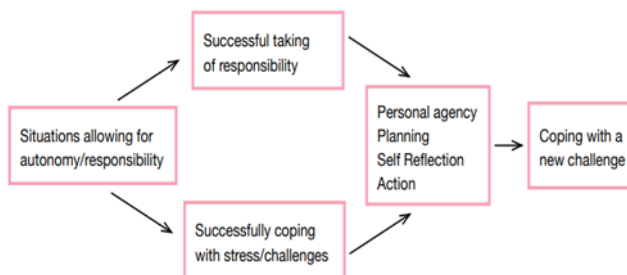


## Online Safety

### How is digital resilience developed?

Digital resilience is developed through online activities in safe, managed environments which enable knowledge, skills and confidence for the individual to develop and cope with the negative consequences of online stress.

This goes hand-in-hand with appropriate support and guidance the individual may want or need. Having support to recover and re-engage with digital opportunities are equally important.





## Pupil leadership Scoop

It was an absolute delight to hold the Head Boy and Head Girl interviews with Mrs Druce on Friday 15 September.

We had the pleasure of watching our Year 6 pupils present the reasons they felt would make them champions of our school by undertaking the prestigious roles of Head Boy or Girl.

Every year, the bar is raised, and we are amazed by the quality and effort that is shown by each and every presentation, speech or chat. I know Mrs Druce and I continually look forward to this day because it gives us an opportunity to celebrate just how fantastic the children at Stamford Green are, reflecting on how lucky we are to work in such a lovely school.

I am proud to reveal our 2023—2024 Co Head Girls are: India S (6B) and Barbara (6B)

Our Co Head Boys are: Alex D (6DA) and Samuel M (6B).

Deputy Head Boys and Girls are:

Evie, Esme G, Heidi, Martha, Abbie L, Samuel D, Sam A, Jake and Ryan.

A massive well done to all the applicants – we had some really tough decisions to make!

Mr Deane-Armstrong



## Above and Beyond

Congratulations to Ollie, who walked, with a large group, for Charity earlier this month.

They started and finished the walk on the common raising nearly £2k ..and still counting.. for "The Lucy Rayner Foundation"

He was very hot, and exhausted by the end of it, and didn't complain too much!

Well done Ollie.



If your child has gone above and beyond, and would like to be featured in the school newsletter, please send us an email and we can include them in future editions.

[parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk)



## Governor Dispatch



I'm Steve Gee, the Local Authority Governor at Stamford Green. This means that I haven't had / got children at the school but I bring a wider experience and skills to the role from my working life and have to be approved by the Local Authority .

I have been in the role just over a year and couldn't be more impressed with the dedication, knowledge and hard work of the Leadership team and all the staff at the school, all of whom go above and beyond to achieve the best for your children.

As part of the schools Raising Achievement Plan I am the monitoring governor for Leadership and Management and have been meeting with Louise Druce and Jo Lee to review this.

The Governors have just signed off budgets for the next few years and have insisted that additional support is provided to the teaching teams and leadership team as part of this plan.

All governors have taken on responsibility for a faculty, and I will shortly be meeting with Kathryn Dray to review the World Around Us. All the teachers work in Faculty teams to review teaching and learning.

I'm enjoying my time as Governor, it's great to be giving something back to such a great school alongside running a family Mountain Holiday business, keeping fit and supporting Everton in their battle to avoid relegation!

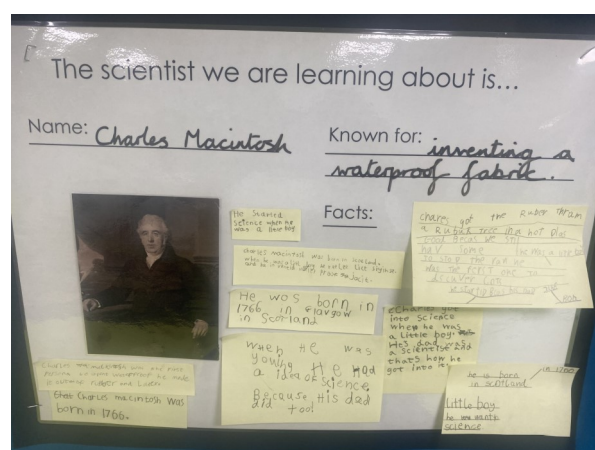


## Challenge Corner

### Inspiration Scientists

To kick start our science lessons this year, every year group is focusing on a different scientist relating to their enquiry questions. To help us remember more about them, we have created posters in our classroom to remind us of their work, research and any fun facts we have learnt about them. Take a look at our Curriculum Compendiums to find out more about what we are leaning on our school website.

Maybe your child can tell you who their scientist is and find a key fact to put up on a post it note.





## LEARNING

### Purple Mash

We have recently rolled out Purple Mash, an application that gives children a wealth of different tools and activities to do in their computing lessons. Children are also able to log in at home on a wide range of devices via Wonde, using their emoji passwords. We spoke to some of the children after their computing lessons to get their thoughts on Purple Mash:



Cameron (6DA) – I loved how easy it was to use and find things.

Henry (4C) – I love being able to play all the games and do so many different things when coding like moving and shrinking sprites.

Toshi (6DA) – It was epic, we had a class game of 2Race!

Leah (4C) – I loved adding music to my code and making my own avatar that looked just like me! I also loved finding animals that I could code to do different things.

## VALUES

Working together to be the best we can  
Our value of the month is:

### Hope and Aspiration

**NOON:**  
A strong desire to achieve something.

**SYNONYMS:**  
Ambition; dream; end goal; target.

**Success**

*"You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."*  
— *Charlotte's Web*

**This is how you can show your Hope and Aspiration everyday:**

<b>Mrs Yeld suggests:</b> Staying positive, working hard for your goals. Being the best you can.	<b>Annabell in 5C suggests:</b> Hope only comes from your heart. Not from other people.	<b>Raphey in 1B suggests:</b> When I grow up I want to be an aeronautical engineer.	<b>Charlotte in 5C suggests:</b> If you believe in yourself you have more hope you will.
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## INSPIRING AND THRIVING

Our new Reception classes are brilliant!

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## HAPPINESS

How do we teach children about friendship?

Friendship is one of our school values which we explore as a whole school. In our PSHE lessons, we explore different types of relationships and how they contribute to making us feel happy. We enable the children to develop skills to make positive relationships with the people in their lives, whilst also understanding how to manage any conflict that they may face.

Bullying differs from teasing or falling out between friends or other types of aggressive behaviour when it is persistent and either:

- There is a deliberate intention to hurt or humiliate, or
- There is a power imbalance that makes it hard for the victim to defend themselves.

Sometimes other things happen which make us upset, but unless they fit the things above they are probably not bullying. So, falling out with your friend is not bullying, because friends usually make up pretty quickly and friends shouldn't be trying to hurt each other on purpose. The adults at school will still help if you need it.

We will soon be inviting our children to apply for the role of Behaviour Ambassador, who help us to promote antibullying and ensure our children have a happy playtime.



## What's in the News?



## In the news this week

Almost ten years ago, the now 44-year-old Torbjørn Pedersen from Denmark left his job and family behind to begin a life-changing journey. His goal was to visit every country in the world without flying on a plane. He had just two main rules: to spend at least 24 hours in each country, and to not return home until he finished. In May this year, Pedersen successfully visited his 203<sup>rd</sup> and final country, the Maldives. After celebrating, he backtracked to Malaysia via Sri Lanka to board a container ship for the 33-day trip home. Now he has had time to rest and reflect, Pedersen plans to write a book about his adventure.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your thoughts on Pedersen's journey. What do you think could be some of the reasons he decided to take on the challenge?
- What things do you imagine Pedersen would have found most difficult about the ten-year challenge? What might he have enjoyed the most?
- Do you think you would enjoy that type of challenge?

## Diversity Equality, Inclusion and Belonging



At the start of term, all of our staff enjoyed a fantastic Diverse Educators training session with Bennie Kara who urged us to think about how we make our school a place where everyone feels 'celebrated, not tolerated'. Our first assemblies of the year have asked the children to think about what equality and equity mean. Equality is about ensuring everyone, especially those with protected characteristics, are included. Equity is about levelling the playing field so that everyone has a fair chance to succeed. It recognises that not everyone has the same needs. We want to make our school community a place where everyone feels that they belong and can achieve their best.



## ACHIEVING - Celebrating Success



### Congratulations!

A special mention to the children who have received either a Headteacher's Award and Stamford Bear or a Governors' Values Award and Buckingham Bear.



Sofie Zhang	3SV	Robbie Luca	1S	Evie Yang	6DA
Ethan Sheung	2J	Amelie Stockbridge	2P	Leo Baxter	4C
Grace Hennessy	5B	Samuel Dalton	3K		
Poppy Ball	4MG	Georgia Pethica	1H		
Caleb Ruddell	6B	Emilia Dickens	5O		



Winners of Pepe the Punctuality Puppy were: **5T & 1H 15/09**  
**5O & 3SV 22/09**



Winners of Annabelle the Attendance Ape were: **4V & 3K 15/09**  
**2W & 2J 22/09**



- The winning House with the most values buttons was
- Golden Awards for good behaviour at lunchtime were awarded to lots of children but **Joey Merri Holmes 4C, Millie Eveleigh 4MG, Sofia Goggin 4MG, Abigail Carlin 4V and Harry Honess 6B** won the lucky dip.



## Congratulations to everyone who has received a Merit Award recently:

Anabelle Johnson	4C	Theodore Lee	4MG
Oisin McHenry	2J	Henry Bourne	3SV
Henry Wall	5T	Elsie Balmford	4V
George Crawley	3SV	Benji Goodwyn	4C
Jake Lulham	4V	Sophia Crosby	6DA
Sam Arnold	6DA	Florence Hobbs	5B
Dexter Kearns	4MG	Mya Rochester	2J
Harry Robins	5B	Dylan Evans	1B
Egor Serjeev	3J	Lily Alvaro De Clarin	5T
Isaac Daniel	3J	Sophie Stevens	6L
Olivia Cranley	6B	Caleb Ruddle	1H
Ava Green	2W	Alana Rock	1S
Ben Chesters	3K	Lana Roy	5O
Rory Say	5O	Rowan Chambers	5T
Lola Thompson	3K	Leo Price	1S
Gwilym Pearce	1S	Raphy Peacock	2W
Max Kearns	6B	Fleur McCall	6L
Willow Palmer	1H	Zachary Charley	3J
Zhuolin Li	5T	Ryan Sweeney	3SV
Amelia Lewis	4C	Kole Dench Watts	4V
Zoe Salmons	2J	Sophie Zhao	5B
Sofia Goggin	4MG	Oscar Hoong	1B
Juliet Victor	6DA	Fraser Williams	RB
Freya Murray	RM	Clara Almaria Venegas	RP

## Achiever of the Week - Well done to the following children who have worn our golden jumpers/ t-shirts recently:

Kellen Chokepermal-Naidu	4C	Sasha Watkinson	4MG
Tilly Turnbull	5T	Micah Quao	5T
Ezgi Myumyun	4V	Harley Abernethy	2J
Annie McLean-Anderson	6DA	Fatima Nazir	3J
Pyper Burgess	3SV	Quin De Prado-Mesa	5B
James Leiper	2J	Ronnie Bluebell Thomas	4C
Genevieve Vezey	4MG	Alexa Short	3SV
Kamea Levu-Buno	5B	Birjot Makkar	4V
Ellie Berry	3J	Toby Davies	6DA
Teddy Walker	6L	Meslissa Crippin	1B
Oscar Hall	1H	Phoebe Chandler	1S
Yu-Ting Lai	6B	Freddie Chapman	2P
Freddie Johnson	2W	Joshua Ruddle	3K
Ayo Soyemi	5O	Summer Hogg	2P
Teddy Davenport	2W	Thea Lowe	6B
Louis Routledge-Pepper	1B	Heidi Dickson	1H
Lottie Breckon	1S	Samuel Duffy	6L
Alex Pearson	3K	Saurish Shinde	5O
Adam Soogah	5O	Edward Pocock	2P
Aaron Hill	3K	Leo Dumitrescu	1S
Esme Galliver	6B	Aryana Bardhoshi	2W
Mason Dench	6L	Billy Eddleston	1H
Matilda Hawkins	3J	Isla Thomas	3SV
Holly Dickson	4C	Leah Lynn	4V
Emily Chan	2J	Enoch Sheung	5B
Emily Fraser	4MG	Robyn Condyffe	1B
Rowan Donald	5T	Cameron McLean	6DA
Bodie Pigden	RM	Dakota Douglas	RB
Thayer Rayneau	RP		







### Christ Church Family Friendly Service - The Source

4pm - 5pm, second Sunday each month.

A family friendly, interactive teatime service for the whole family, with a particular focus on primary school aged children. Expect crafts, puppets, songs, a talk, a prayer and tea. This is followed by CC Cinema for year 6+ pupils 5pm - 7pm.

### Build relational behaviour foundations in your home **The Behaviour Book Club** FOR PARENTS

Changing our children's behaviour takes time, changing our own takes even longer. As more families begin to recognise the devastating effects shame and punishment can have on children and young people's on emotional well being, an increasing number of parents and caring adults are joining the relational revolution.

Our behaviour book club will help you understand how you can have clear rules, calm behaviour and never need a bribe or punishment again.

You can join our Facebook group, Whatsapp group or our informal online get togethers that take place on the second Thursday of every month



order your copy now



### Join us on facebook

We have groups on facebook and whatsapp. We also meet once a month on Zoom to talk and support home adults joining the relational revolution.

[WWW.WHENTHEPARENTSCHANGE.COM/BOOK-CLUB](http://WWW.WHENTHEPARENTSCHANGE.COM/BOOK-CLUB)



### Rosebery Park Tree Trail Sat 23rd Sept 10-3pm

Come and take part in a fun Tree Trail in Rosebery Park, Epsom. Find the specially selected trees to reveal clues and once completed hand in your answers to claim your mystery prize.

1 prize per entry ticket

All children must be accompanied at all times.  
(Accompanying adults do not have to pay unless you would like to claim a prize)

In association with Epsom & Ewell Tree Advisory Board we invite you to take a stroll around Rosebery Park to learn fascinating insights about the trees that have been in place for many years.

The tree trail forms part of our  
**Health & Wellbeing Fair**

A free event which takes place in Rosebery Park, Epsom  
from 10am - 3pm



A fun interactive day for all the family with stalls and local groups giving talks, demonstrations & performances.

To book a place please visit:  
<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/roseberyparktreetrail>  
Tel: 01372 732 451

This event is to raise funds for Age Concern Epsom & Ewell.  
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