



Stamford Green

Primary School and Nursery



25 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 25.9.23

Uniform

Please check your uniform is labelled especially jumpers and PE clothes. We have already found several brand new items without names across the year group.

PE Kits

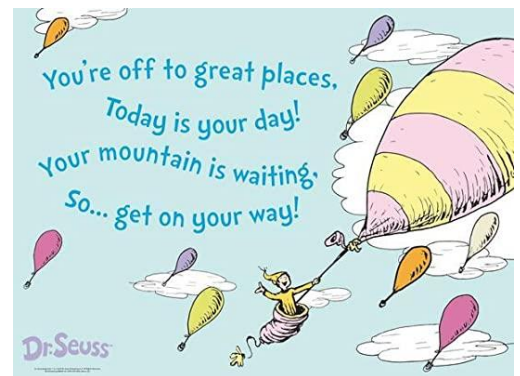
PE kits need to be returned to school every Monday morning.

Reading Packs

Please make sure that your child's reading pack stays in the bookbag for school every day so that they can change their books.

The children are really settling into the routines of school now – it's been so lovely for us to see new friendships forming and to learn about each child's interests and talents!

Last week the children started to bring home a story book each day for you to enjoy together. This is a way for children to begin the routine of changing their book each week, thinking about stories and having a 'reading time' at home each day. Thank you for writing a short positive comment in the relevant day of your child's Learning Journal to record the reading that your child has done at home.



Class Open Time

This week is the first 'Class Open Time' sessions of the year for Reception to Year 6. This is a chance for you to visit your child's classroom at drop off time to see the things they have been learning. Later in the year you will have the opportunity to see the children's books, but for this first session Reception children will be showing their families their classroom and their start of the day routines. You can choose one of the two dates (Tuesday or Thursday) to come into the classroom with your child.

Your child will show you how they hang their coat up and put their bag and water bottle away independently. They will then come to the carpet for the start of the day activities and register, which you are welcome to watch (please stand/sit to the side of the carpet rather than on the carpet). At 9.00am the teacher will invite the children to give you a wave goodbye and you will be able to leave via the East or West Gate. If you have a child in another class you can leave at any time to go to their classroom for Class Open Time – we suggest you visit Reception first.

Class Open Time is an opportunity for you and your child to share their progress. The teachers and teaching assistants will be supporting the children in the classroom in their usual way and won't be available to answer individual questions from parents/carers. If you have any queries, you can email your child's teacher via the parents@ email address, and they will be in contact with you as needed.

As Class Open Time is a change to the usual routines, you may wish to talk through what will happen with your child in advance, including that on the day that you aren't visiting some other children will

have their families there, and also prepare them that you will say goodbye when the teacher says it's time after the register. We look forward to seeing you!

Changing for PE

The children have had a go at changing into their PE kits and we have been really impressed with the independence lots of the children have shown. You can really help your child by taking the time at home to practise this important skill of dressing and undressing independently so that they can feel confident when doing it at school.

Our regular PE and Games days are: RP and RM Wednesday. RB: Thursday and Friday. If your child isn't yet completely confident with getting changed themselves, you might want to think about what your child can put on and take off easily, e.g. a skirt might be easier than a dress or you might want to leave their top button open. Please remember children should have velcro shoes and trainers rather than laces unless they are able to tie the laces for themselves – this includes trainers.

Celebration of achievement

Last week we joined the rest of the school in awarding some children with a Golden Jumper and certificate as 'Achiever of the Week'. Each week a Golden Jumper and Merit Certificate will be awarded in each Reception class for a range of achievements. This could be for children who are consistently showing their values, making super progress in their learning, or possibly having a go at something they haven't done before.

This week's learning in Reception at a glance:

Learning Question of the week:

How can Goldilocks put things right and help the bears to forgive her?

We continue to explore fantasy lands this week as we start our new story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. The children will be thinking about the characters feelings and linking the choices made throughout the story to our school values. We will be acting out parts of the story as well as having lots of other opportunities to be creative.

We will also start Forest School this week so please make sure you send in a pair of wellies if you haven't done so already.

Phonics

The children all had a fantastic start to their Read Write Inc sessions last week! You can find out about the correct way to say the letter sounds here: <https://tinyurl.com/mryy3z5d>

You will also be able to find out much more about how children learn to read and write at Stamford Green, and how you can support them, at the Parent/Carer meetings on 4 Oct and 5 Oct – see [Dates for Diaries](#).

This week we will be learning about the sounds t, i, p, n:



Down the tower, across the tower



Down the insects body and a dot for his head.



Down Nobby and over his net



Down the pirates plait and around the pirates face

Reading

When you are sharing picture books at home together, talking about the story is a great way to develop your child's language skills.

Idea to try

Before reading, talk together about what you each think the story will be about. You can help your child by modelling full sentences, and using phrases like "I wonder if...", "Maybe... because..." e.g. "I wonder if this will be a wintery story – there's snow on the ground." "Maybe this boy has a problem, because I think he looks unhappy."

Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on the number **2**. As well as recognising and writing the digit 2, we will look at other ways to represent it, what it is made of (the parts of 2) and how to find one more and one less.

Represent it:

two	2	

Parts and wholes:

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For your calendar:

YR – Y6 - Class Open Time

Option 1: 8.35am – 9.00am Tuesday 26.9.23
or
Option 2: 8.35am – 9.00am Thursday 28.9.23

This is an opportunity to pop into your child's new class.

Cream Tea Thank You

Did you offer help to the school last year?

Hopefully, you have already received an invite to our Cream Tea thank you which will be taking place on 29 September from 3.30pm - 5.30pm. If you are planning on coming, please could you RSVP via parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk

Coming up soon:

September		
Monday 25.9.23	am	Y6 House Captain speeches for the children in Y3 – Y5
Tuesday 26.9.23	8.35am – 9.00am	YR – Y6 Class Open Time – 50 th Birthday Special – Option 1
Tuesday 26.9.23	9.00am – 10.00am	Positive Parenting workshop, based on the Parenting Puzzle programme with Lesley Lane (Homestart Epsom) for Parents/Carers
Tuesday 26.9.23	2.10pm	YN Parent/Carer play session and catch up with your child's Keyworker
Thursday 28.9.23	8.35am – 9.00am	YR – Y6 Class Open Time – 50 th Birthday Special – Option 2
Thursday 28.9.23	2.10pm	YN Parent/Carer play session and catch up with your child's Keyworker
Friday 29.9.23	All day	Y1 Fairy Tale Dress Up Day

Friday 29.9.23	9.15am – 10.15am	Prospective families Open Morning – School and Nursery - please book via our website.
Friday 29.9.23	Drop in anytime from 3.15pm – 5.30pm	Cream tea thank you for volunteers and a game of rounders for your child.
October		
Monday 2.10.23 – Friday 13.10.23		5T Swimming at The Rainbow Centre
w/b Monday 2.10.23	-	Golden Book week in school
Tuesday 3.10.23	After school	Book Fair – East Gate
Wednesday 4.10.23	9.00am – 10.30am	Come and Play – Community toddler group. Entry via South Gate only.
Wednesday 4.10.23	All day	Individual school photos for children in: YN, 5T, 5B, 5O and siblings for all year groups
Wednesday 4.10.23	After school	Book Fair – East Gate
Wednesday 4.10.23	7.00pm – 8.00pm	YR Parent/Carer Meeting – Helping your child learn to read. Come and find out about the way we are teaching reading and phonics. No access from West Gate.
Thursday 5.10.23	8.50am – 9.50am	YR Parent/Carer Meeting – Helping your child learn to read. Come and find out about the way we are teaching reading and phonics.
Thursday 5.10.23	All day	Individual school photos for children in: RB, RP, RM, 1S, 1B, 1H, 2P, 2J, 2W, 4G, 4V and 4C
Thursday 5.10.23	After school	Book Fair – West Gate
Friday 6.10.23	8.00am – 8.35am	I've always wondered....Coffee morning for Y6 Parents/Carers – Book here
Friday 6.10.23	All day	Individual school photos for children in: 3SV 3K., 3J, 6DA, 6L, and 6B
Friday 6.10.23	After school	Book Fair – West Gate
Friday 6.10.23	8.45am – 10.00am	PTA Class Reps Coffee Morning with Mrs Druce – Agenda: Fireworks and other events this term

Reminders for you:

Wednesday 4.10.23 at 7.00pm and Thursday 5.10.23 at 8.50am

YR Parent/Carer Meeting
Helping your child learn to read.

Positive Parenting – Anxiety Workshop

Tuesday 26.9.23
9.00am – 10.00am

All Welcome.

Please see more detail below.

Book Signing Wednesday 27.9.23

Award winning children's book author and illustrator, Zehra Hicks, will be signing some of her books after school, after having spent the day with Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 talking about her books and drawing lots of dinosaurs and other animals.
See below.

Positive Parenting Workshop – Anxiety Workshop

Lesley Lane (Epsom Home start) and Mrs Dray invite you to a workshop, all are welcome Do you feel you are always nagging and no one is listening? Is there more anger and tears, than fun and laughter? Or does your child lack confidence and independence? Home Start will be holding a Positive Parenting workshop based on the Parenting Puzzle 10 week programme on Tuesday 26 September 9.00am to 10.00am. This workshop introduces positive strategies to guide and teach children, using praise, encouragement and empathy, to build self-

esteem, confidence and cooperation. This workshop helps you deal with the challenges of parenting so that you can have a calmer, happier life.

Book Signing – Book Choices – Zehra Hicks

Books can be signed and purchased at the East Gate. Card payments only.

When Dinosaurs Walked The Earth (£7.99)

Cheeky Monkey (£6.99)

Pug Hug (£6.99)