



20 November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 20.11.23

Reception visit to Christ Church is this Thursday 23 November.

Remember to make sure your child has a warm, waterproof coat with them.

If you are accompanying us to the church, you will only be able to come to the school office via the East Gate.

Show and Tell on Thursday

on the theme of **Family**

Group: **Ovals**

(details below)

If your child wears earrings they must remove these for PE lessons for safety.

If you help them to practise removing them independently, they will be able to do this at school if you forget to take them out at home on the relevant days. We are not able to help them.

We don't want anyone to miss the chance to practise our Christmas dances before we perform to parents and carers at the end of this term!

We are very much looking forward to our first school educational visit on Thursday 23 November as we prepare to visit Christ Church to learn about how Christians use the church. Thank you in advance to the parents and carers who have volunteered to come along to allow us to make this learning experience fun and safe. These visits are a very special part of our learning experiences at Stamford Green. You can find out more about other [Thrive Experiences](#) on our school website.

Uniform

Our [school uniform](#) is important to us – it helps children to feel part of their community and to be smart and ready for learning. All children should wear a white polo shirt with the school logo on it every day, except if they are wearing a summer dress. Plain polo shirts, long sleeved tops and round necked PE t-shirts are not allowed as part of the day to day uniform.



In addition, if your child is feeling cold, they should wear their jumper or cardigan over this, and they can wear a vest underneath – but this should not be visible. Long sleeved base layer type vests are not allowed unless completely covered at all times by a jumper or cardigan.

School Uniform	Generic or Logo?
White polo shirt - to be worn tucked in	Logo

As it is getting colder, many of the children are now wearing tights. Please remember to put a pair of socks into their PE bags for them to change into if they need them. If your child isn't confident putting their tights on independently, it might be worth having a practise at home.

This is a good time of the term to re check the name labels in uniform including any hats, scarves and gloves. Names written onto labels can become faded, and labels sometimes fall out and we're noticing a greater number of un-named uniform which we aren't able to return to owners.

Learning Question of the week:
What are the signs of the season of Winter?

This term's journey around some famous fantasy lands has come to an end now, and we are very excited to be moving on to think about Winter time, and then Christmas-themed stories in the last weeks of term. There is a wealth of stories for us to enjoy – both traditional and modern ones. Do you have any wintery stories which you could enjoy together at home? We will be thinking this week about what changes we can see outside as the seasons change throughout the year – perhaps you'll be able to talk about these when you are out and about together? Winter pictures will inspire our writing this week too. We will also be thinking about places such as churches being special to people and looking at features of a Christian Church.

Phonics **Reading**

Well done to all of the children for their amazing phonics work in their new Read Write Inc groups!

Don't forget to keep practicing recognising all the single-letter sounds and playing some 'Fred Games'

Fred's Adventures:

<https://tinyurl.com/yvdypbhj>

<https://tinyurl.com/zmswefp6>

Thank you for using your child's phonics pack at home to help them with their reading. We can see from what you have written in the Learning Journals and what the children have told us that you have been very busy! It is lovely to see how excited the children are to share their learning with you at home. These few minutes of practice each day are vital to their progress in reading – it's super to see the children growing in confidence as a result.

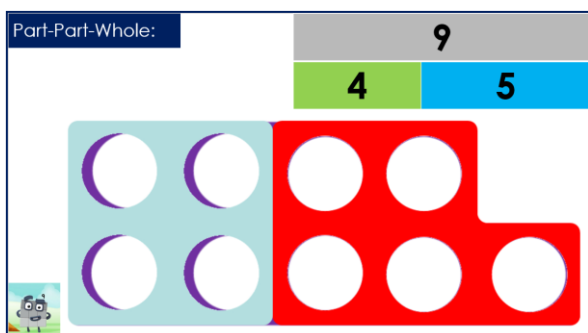
Concept Word

This week's concept word is: **Early**



Help your child at home: use the word early when waking children and as they get ready for school. They want to be early at school

Maths



In maths we will be focusing on the number **9**. We will be thinking about the numbers that go together to make nine. Can you carefully count nine objects, then put them into groups?

We use the sentence "one part is 4, the other part is 5, the whole is 9" to express this idea. Using this, rather than "4 add 5 equals 9", means that we can make links to **both addition and subtraction**.

Show and Tell

This week (**Thursday 23 November**) the Ovals group from each class will have their turn at Show and Tell and the theme is family. Show and Tell is an opportunity for each child to share something special with their class practising their speaking skills. The rest of the class practise their listening skills and have the chance to ask questions too. Your child might want to share a picture or drawing of their family to talk about. These can be emailed to parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk and should be labelled with your child's name and class in the in the subject bar. The other groups will have their turns to show and tell as the term goes on.

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs McCarthy



For your calendar:

I've always wondered...Coffee morning
YN – 22.11.23
YR – 30.11.23
at 8.00am

Come along and ask anything you have wondered about (school related). Miss Swann and Mrs Dray will take school age children out to play whilst the coffee morning is happening.

Please fill in the Google Form [here](#) if you would like to attend.

Wednesday 29.11.23

PTA Mufti Day
Please book a bottle in a bag for the Christmas Fair tombola.

Bottles can contain anything from champagne to shampoo!



Coming up soon:

November		
Monday 20.11.23	All day	6L Visit Tate Britain and Houses of Parliament
Tuesday 21.11.23	8.30am – East Gate 3.05pm – West Gate	PTA Second hand uniform sale
Wednesday 22.11.23	-	Y6 visit to Epsom Council Chambers
Wednesday 22.11.23	8.00am – 8.35am	I've always wondered....Coffee morning for YN Parents/Carers – Book here
Thursday 23.11.23	Morning	YR visit to Christ Church
Friday 24.11.23	9.15am – 10.15am	Prospective families Open Morning – School and Nursery - please book via our website.
Friday 24.11.23	Evening	PTA Wreath Making event
Monday 27.11.23	All day	6DA Visit Tate Britain and Houses of Parliament
Wednesday 29.11.23	-	PTA Mufti Day (Please bring in a bottle in a bag for the Christmas Fair tombola)
Thursday 30.11.23	8.00am – 8.35am	I've always wondered....Coffee morning for YR Parents/Carers – Book here

Thursday 30.11.23	6.30pm – 8.00pm	Y5 Star Gazing Night
December		
Friday 1.12.23 – Tuesday 5.12.23	-	Letters can be posted to Father Christmas in classes.

Reminders for you:

Tuesday 21.11.23
PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale



8.30am – East Gate
3.05pm – West Gate

Every item is £1.00

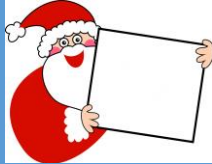
Both cash and card payments welcome.

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More information to follow