# Stamford Green
## Primary School and Nursery

14 October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Reception Weekly Information – w/b 14.10.24**

Don't forget to return your child's Golden Book once you have shared their learning and written on the parent/carer comment sticker at the end.

Please ensure that your name stickers are secure in the labels of your child's clothes as they do tend to come off after a while. We have at least 3 unnamed jumpers/cardigans in each classroom box which we are unable to return.

The Year 6 children are very grateful of the letters they have received from their buddies in Reception. Thank you for supporting your children with this.

It was lovely to see so many parents at the meetings about supporting reading last week, we hope you found it useful. If you weren't able to make it to one of the sessions, please see the phonics page of the school website for ideas and information.

Our partnership with you as parents and carers, in helping the children to learn to read is crucial. Every few minutes you spend at home enabling your child to practice the sounds they have learnt at school is setting them up for a lifetime of reading. These early stages are so important and will determine how confident they feel in their reading as they move up through the school. If you need any support with this please contact your child's teacher. We are happy to help.

"Courage does not always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, "I will try again tomorrow.""

- Mary Anne Radmacher

**Learning Question of the week:**
**When is it safe to take risks like Jack?**

This week '**Jack and the Beanstalk**' is our story focus. This is a story that lends itself very well to acting out and we will be using the repeated language during Exploration Time – we are expecting to hear a lot of 'Fee-Fi-Fo-Fum' in our indoor and outdoor classrooms as well as at Forest School this week! From our Early Years curriculum, the skills we will focus on this week are:

- Write letters with modelling and support.
- Read all single-letter RWI Set 1 sounds.
- Count and represent amounts to 5 using concrete resources and pictures.
- Draw or make pictures which show familiar stories.
- Focus attention on the person/thing being listened to.
- Know about the different areas of the school and what they are for.
- Understand the importance of being kind and physically gentle with others.
- Use a scooter.
- Cut using a fork to anchor and a knife to cut.

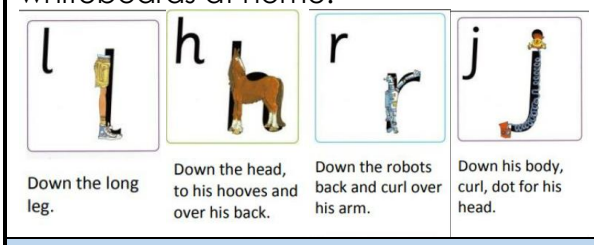
## Phonics

The children are working hard in their Read Write Inc sessions. You can find out about the correct way to say the letter sounds here: https://tinyurl.com/33mzwxta

Fred the frog can only speak in sounds – he can't say the whole word. Speaking like Fred helps children to understand that words are made up of sounds.

We have been practising 'Fred Talk' – you and your child can have a go at this Fred Game at home: https://tinyurl.com/2s3tfcwt

The sounds we are learning this week are l, h, r, j
The sounds we have learnt so far are: u, b, f, e, m, a, s, d, t, l, n, p, g, o, c, k Please practice reading and writing these on your whiteboards at home.




## Concept Word

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

Help your child at home: when putting things away, talk about things that go above

## Reading

Thank you for supporting your child by reading stories to them every day. This is helping your child to develop their love of books and setting them up for a lifetime of reading.

Can your child spot any of the letters we have learnt so far, in their books at home?

For more things to think about when reading with your child watch this short video: https://tinyurl.com/yc3svnyz

## Maths

In maths, it's time to get to know the number **5**. As well as thinking about how to write the digit and how to count to 5 or count five objects, we will think carefully about where and how we might see 5 and what parts it is made of (i.e. five 'ones'; a three and a two etc). Can you find the number 5 when you are out shopping, or whilst looking in your kitchen cupboard? Do you know what 5 looks like on the dice or on dominoes?

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs Price

## For your calendar:

**Wednesday 16 October**
**8.00pm**

PTA AGM at school.

All welcome to attend.

**Friday 18 October**

PTA Doughnut Sale after school at the East and West Gate. The East Gate sale will be held in the garden as you exit school onto Christ Church Mount. Please enter one way and then leave through the other gate to ease congestion.

## Coming up soon:

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| **October** | | |
| w/b 14.10.24 | - | Last week for Internal clubs |
| Wednesday16.10.24 | 10.30am – 11.45am | School Council's Generations coffee morning – Grandparents, retired neighbours are welcome to join our School Councillors |
| Wednesday 16.10.24 | 8.00pm | PTA AGM at school – All welcome to attend |
| Thursday 17.10.24 | - | Harvest charity donations |
| Friday 18.10.24 | After school | PTA Doughnut Sale at East and West Gates |
| Thursday 24.10.24 | 8.35am | Fundraiser – Bags2School |
| Friday 25.10.24 | School closes at the normal time | Half term holiday starts |
| Friday 25.10.24 | Gates open at 4.30pm<br>Performance starts at 6.00pm | PTA Circus Event |

## Reminders for you:

**Harvest Charity Donations**

We will be collecting items for Epsom and Ewell Foodbank this week.

If you are able, please would you kindly send any items from the list below to collection points at the East and West Gates on the morning of **Thursday 17 October.**

**Bags2School**

Parents/Carers can leave bags on Thursday 24.10.24 at drop off or pick up and on Friday 25.10.24 at drop off only.

Bag2School will be collecting from our school on Friday at 9.00am so please do not drop your bags after that time.

**PCTCs**

Wednesday 6.11.24 and Thursday 14.11.24.

Letter to follow with details on how to book.

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| Jars of cooking sauces | Tinned tomatoes | Pulses (dried / tinned / packaged) | Chocolate/ sweet treats |
| Pasta sauce | Tinned potatoes | Ketchup / Brown sauce / Mayo | Jam/ Honey/ Marmalade |
| Tinned soup | Dried Noodles (not pot or instant) | Instant coffee | Peanut butter/ Chocolate spread |
| Tinned meat – meatballs, minced beef, stewing steak etc | Rice | Tea (bags) | Shampoo/Conditioner |
| Tinned fish | Pasta | Cereal (not porridge) | Deodorant |
| Tinned fruit | Instant mash | UHT Semi skimmed or full fat milk | Shower gel |
| Tinned sweetcorn | Long-life juice | Powdered milk | Adult toothpaste |
| Tinned vegetables | Squash | Biscuits | Rice Pudding |
| Custard | Long-life sponge pudding | | |

**PTA Sticky Toffee Pudding Competition**
Please hand all label design entries into the staff on the Gates at the start of school on Wednesday 16 October.

**Charity Sale**
The newly formed Y6 Parliament Group will be holding a charity sale after school on Wednesday 16 October. The children will be selling their home made goods to raise money for our new community project to Twin our Toilets (see https://toilettwinning.org for more information). Cash payments only, so please bring change. Thank you.