



Stamford Green

Primary School and Nursery



INSPIRING

Welcome to our School Newsletter - Issue 5 – March 2025

Dear Families,

Children across the whole school recently enjoyed a drama production by Bigfoot Arts Education on the theme of Online Safety. The performances were fun and engaging, but more importantly they made children think about the way that they use the internet.

Key Stage One children watched 'Boo Gets Cybersmart.' They were encouraged to consider what sorts of things are appropriate to share online. Should we tell strangers our passwords? Should we even tell our friends our passwords? Children were also asked to think about what to do if they saw something they didn't like or if they felt unsure about something whilst online. Who should they tell?

Key Stage Two enjoyed 'The Big Experience: Caught Up in The Net!' Whilst this was a really enjoyable production, children were again challenged to think about their online behaviours. What is acceptable to do online and what isn't? Why are some people unkind online when they aren't like this away from a computer? How do people feel when made to believe that everyone is mocking them? Children were taught how beneficial sticking up for someone might be and how important it is not to post unkind comments. They explored a range of scenarios and saw how they could have been changed by people in a group stating that they didn't agree with unkind comments and wanted others to stop spreading them.

Teachers were really impressed by the honesty and quality of engagement demonstrated by the children across the three days that Bigfoot were in school. It was also a really good demonstration of the power of drama to explore themes, unlock thoughts and start important conversations.

Mr Vidal

Y4 Teacher and Online Safety Leader

News In Brief

West Gate

Please remember that the West Gate closes at 3.30pm. Families should not be staying on the school grounds and playing with or on the play equipment after this time.

Thank you.

SEND Compendium

The SEND Compendium can be found on our school [website](#). This document contains information that all families will find useful.

Hard Plastic Recycling

A parent has shared some information about an easy way to recycle reusable plastic bottles and plastic food storage containers. Please follow the link to find out more. <https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades/sistema-uk>



X of the week!

The staff are looking forward to World Book Day.



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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

The month of Ramadan culminates with the festival of Eid ul-Fitr, which takes place on either the 30 or 31 March. Muslims cannot be specific with the date beforehand as it is dependent on a visual moon sighting.

Eid-ul-Fitr at the end of Ramadan is a great day of celebration for Muslim families and it is appropriate that schools should mark this time in a special way.

We will be having our Eid Bubble Bursting event at school on Monday 31 March and Tuesday 1 April.

If you have 10 minutes to spare and help refill bubble machines for your child's class, please email Mrs English via parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk You will also get to see all the children enjoying themselves.



I've always wondered...

Taken from the A-Z to School Life

The wearing of earrings and other body piercings such as tongue studs or belly button jewellery is prohibited in all PE lessons.

Therefore, new piercings should take place during the summer holiday, so that the holes have six weeks to heal.

PE is a National Curriculum subject and therefore a legal requirement. Children should not miss the lessons unless absolutely necessary and there is an exceptional reason.

Staff are unable to help children remove earrings so they should be able to remove them for PE by themselves or come to school without them in on PE days.



Community Corner

Stamford Green have been given the opportunity for 25 students to run the Mini London Marathon on 26 April, children are welcome to run, jog or walk one mile. This includes a warm up with Joe Wicks, a finisher medal and £10 for the school.

This opportunity is for children all ages from Reception to Year 6, however any students in Year 2 or below will need to be accompanied on the track with an adult. If your child is interested please contact Miss Penn by 10.00am on Tuesday morning via email. parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk

Places will be given on a first come first served basis.



Online Safety

How Safe is WhatsApp for Children - NSPCC

WhatsApp is one of the most popular instant messaging apps, used by over 2 billion people in 180 countries. It allows you to send and receive messages, as well as make voice and video calls. You can connect with people individually or join group chats where lots of people can contribute.

All you need to set up a WhatsApp account is a phone number. However, children and young people can easily subvert the restrictions placed on its access. Although rated at 16+, all that is required is a phone number. All it takes is one child in a class to be on WhatsApp, and all the others will wish to join. This can lead to increased vulnerabilities for child users.

The NSPCC has released its own analysis about the dangers of the app. If interested, please follow the link below:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/>



Pupil leadership Scoop

Pupil Leadership – Office Prefects

As Office Prefects, we help the Office with jobs that help the whole school. When children lose their named belongings, like their coats, jumpers and water bottles, we take them to their classroom. At break, we take lunchboxes or PE bags that have been dropped off by parents.

The school uses a lot of paper. When there is a new delivery, we stack the packets of paper into piles on the shelf so it is easier for the teachers to get some paper to use. One of our favourite jobs is shredding when the teachers are busy on calls or in meetings – it's very fun!

We have jobs for special occasions. At Christmas time, we sorted all the Christmas cards for each class and handed boxes to each teacher to give out. After Music Evening, we sorted out everyone's certificates that were awarded for their amazing performances.



The Office prefect team helps do the Office jobs quickly, especially when they are very busy, and the ladies are good fun to work with.

Luciana and Mila, 6J



Above and Beyond

After school on Friday 7 February, four eco warriors from Y3 (Rose, Gabi, Penny and Cora) plus an extra (Adam) all got together to litter pick our local area. They worked together brilliantly to find, pick and dispose of the rubbish responsibly. This was very much child led as they take their Eco Warrior status very seriously. They took turns directing, using the pickers or holding the bags.



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



Governor Dispatch

Last month, I met with Kathryn Dray to discuss how the new programme 'Insight' is being used for analysing absences and the effectiveness it has on identifying children at risk of persistent absence. The programme itself creates a very in depth report, through using the school's data, to identify specific individuals. Mrs Dray has trained all teaching staff and teachers have now been able to successfully use the programme to manipulate data and monitor their own class's attendance and punctuality, weekly. Through this weekly monitoring, Mrs Dray is able to create a whole school spreadsheet to track absence and where specific individuals are showing poor attendance, support is given directly to the family. The new Government Penalty Notice has been issued to several families who have met the criteria of five and more unauthorised absences since August 2024. The whole school is working alongside families to enable them to have the opportunity to improve their child's attendance and punctuality.

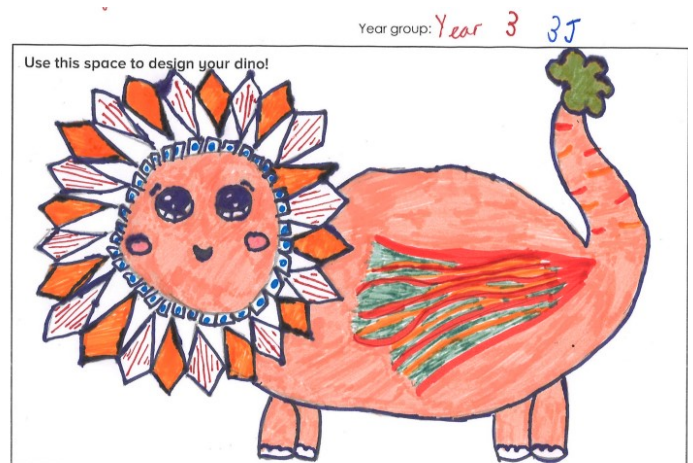


Katie Turner - Governor



Challenge Corner

Mya R in 3J has won 3rd prize in the 'Design a Dino' competition organised by Scholastic on behalf of author Philip Kevvadias. Philip was very impressed by Mya's dino design, Firefly from the Kyrasaurus species.



My brand-new dinosaur species is called: *Kyrasaurus*

LEARNING

Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations

At our forthcoming PCTCs at the end of term, you will notice some changes so I thought I would explain them in advance. We will be including information about whether your child is able to complete a number of fundamental skills, relevant for their year group. If they are not able to do this yet, we will be setting them targets based on this fundamental skill. Each fundamental skill helps to build to the children being proficient in the reading, writing and maths by the end of their time at primary school.

For example, in Year 1 can they hold a pencil correctly with a tripod grip and form all of their letters correctly? When children can form their letters correctly, it makes learning to join their handwriting easier and writing at length, when they are in Year 2. In Year 2, does your child know the multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 x table? This important skill helps to build in Year 3 as they learn more multiplication tables. Multiplication automaticity is such a fundamental skill in maths and is used in many areas – when the children can do this with instant recall, they become confident mathematicians.

Alongside reporting on these fundamentals, we will continue to report on your child's attendance, learning behaviours and attainment in reading, writing and maths; reporting whether they are working at the expectations for their year group. If your child is in a year group where there is also a statutory assessment taking place at the end of the year, such as the Y1 Phonics Screening Check, Y4 Multiplication Tables Check and Y6 National Curriculum Tests, we will also be letting you know the mock results of any testing that has taken place in school this term.

Miss Swann
Deputy Headteacher: Teaching and Learning

VALUES

Our value of the month is:

Caring

Nancy in 4G suggests: caring is when you look after someone by cheering them up.



Mr Vidal suggests: It's important to care so everyone is happy.

Synonyms:

Kind, warm-hearted, thoughtful, kind-hearted, receptive, gentle

INSPIRING AND THRIVING

Following a fabulous morning of watching and listening to Kidenza perform a classical concert, Stamford Green held their annual Music Evening.



Congratulations to all the children who bravely performed to a packed hall. Well done to Lana R who is the very worthy winner of the Music Evening Trophy for 2025.



The Year 5 tag rugby tournament was a fantastic display of teamwork, resilience, and sportsmanship. The children worked together seamlessly, supporting each other on and off the field, and showed exceptional determination, never giving up despite the challenges they faced. Their positive attitude and commitment were a true credit to the school, embodying values such as respect, perseverance, and collaboration throughout the tournament. Congratulations on coming second in the Borough tournament.



A team of Year 3 and 4 pupils recently took part in an exciting tag rugby event, where they demonstrated impressive resilience, teamwork, and energy. Throughout the matches, they remained positive, supported one another, and showed great determination to improve with every game. Their enthusiasm was infectious, and they displayed outstanding sportsmanship throughout the event. Well done, Year 3 and Year 4!





Attendance Matters



Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authorisation, for 5 or more days, (which do not have to be consecutive) then the following will apply:

If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

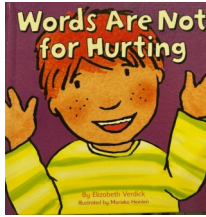
Please see our Attendance Policy to understand the new National Regulations.

<https://www.stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Policies+and+Procedures&pid=76>

LEARNING



What's in the News?



Some of our words are kind.
 But sometimes they might not be.
 What do hurtful words do?
 They hurt our ears they hurt our feelings.
 You can do this instead: think before you speak.
 And keep hurtful words to yourself.
 If words come out before you can stop them...two other words need to be said: 'I'm sorry.'
 Those two little words can be a BIG help.
 Over dinner one day, please could you reaffirm the message from assembly with your child.

Diversity Equality, Inclusion and Belonging

Last Saturday (8 March) was International Women's Day - an opportunity to celebrate the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. Our curriculum reflects British Values, including the importance of equal rights, power and opportunities for all. These are some of the women we teach about in history, science and English. Can you name them all? (See answers below.) We want all children to be part of a future where no one is left behind.



It is currently Ramadan (Friday 28 February 2025 – Sunday 30 March 2025) - a period of fasting, worship, charity, communal gathering and spiritual development for our Muslim pupils and their families. We were delighted to host our first school Iftar on Thursday 13 March and we will be holding our annual Bubble Bursting celebration in recognition of Eid on Monday 31 March and Tuesday 1 April. We hope you can join us!

Answers: (clockwise from top left) Marie Curie, Rosa Parks, Florence Nightingale, Mae Jemison, Emmeline Pankhurst, Malala Yousafzai.

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.

Mabel Balmford	3J	Benji Jackson	2W	Darshan Sreenivasa Murthy	RB	Samuel Farmer	5B
Bella-Rose McLaughlan	5T	Theo Yahaoui	3MD	Mia Herbert	RH	Poppy Smythe	5T
Eden Stone	RH	Amelie Field	6B	Poppy Barton	2B	Reggie Rapier	RP
Louis Routledge-Pepper	2J	Theo Russell	RP	Joseph Eddleston	4V	Anneli Borkakoti	3L
Max Kelly	4V	Orla Trower	4C	Georgina Brown	6WO	Dexter Nwaejike Brodin	4V
Sofia Palimeris	6J	Zoe-Walker-Smith	1S	George Pike	1MH	Emilia Dickens	6J
Lilly Martin	1H	Sasha Watkinson	5P	Adam Holgado	3MD	Freya Murray	1H
David Webb	2J	Ali Martin	RB	Jude Day	1S	Archie Mulhern	5P
Margot Benton	2W	Jasper Li	3J	Yoani Chokeepermal	4G	Zhuolin Li	6B



Winners of Pepe the Punctuality Puppy were: 5B, 5P, 6J, 2W, 2B, 3J, 6B, 4V



Winners of Annabelle the Attendance Ape were: 1H, 6B, 1S, 4G, 2J, 6B, 3L, 1BH, 3L

- The winning House with the most values buttons was Ashley
- Golden Awards for good behaviour at lunchtime were awarded to lots of children but Clara Almario Vanegas (1MH), Elliot Skipp (3J), Theo Yahiaoui (3MD), Riya Chavan (4G), Audrey Victor (3MD), Summer Hogg (3MD), Brodi Henderson (3MD) won the lucky dip.



Congratulations to everyone who has received a Merit Award recently:

Pranavi Karjodkar	6J	Hunter Flatt	2J
Aryan Johri	3L	Evie Sillince	2B
Alice Arnold	5P	Jude Day	1S
Quin De Prado Mesa	6WO	George Espley	1H
Olivia Malhotra	4V	Bertie Seymour	RH
Jacob Robins	RP	Abigail Hodgetts	3MD
Shaun Chan	4C	Indy McIntyre-Lally	5B
Annie Baer	2W	Thomas Price	5T
Elsie Balmford	5T	Ethan Sheung	3J
Ollie Campbell	1BH	Holly Rose Baxter	6B
Lissane Coleman	6B	Meadow Di Principe	6B
Teddy Dighton	6B	Joey Merrit-Holmes	5B
Luna-Mae Brigdon	4C	Alexander Sokolov	5T
Albert Richards	4G	Anna Tsisyk	3MD
Liam Rutherford	3J	Charlie Lanning	1MH
Sabrina Laming	1H	Robyn Condlyffe	2J
Viggo Kowalski	4V	Eloise Hall	5P
Freya Osborne	6J	Arthur Biggin-Evans	2B
Harrison Winnett	3L	Charlie Treadwell	6WO
Marlon Eveleigh	RB	ALL OF 2W	2W
Fraser Chequer-Williams	1S	Rafe Hawkins	RP
James Corbett	RH	Rose Hologado	3L
Katie Morgan	6WO	Ellery Chambers	1H

Achiever of the Week - Well done to the following children who have worn our Golden Jumpers/t-shirts recently:

Idrees Nazir	RP	Olivia Green	4C
Evie Skipp	5B	Oscar Hoong	2W
Kai Beer	5T	Oliver Coxon	5T
Lyla Carter	4G	Brodie Henderson	3MD
Clara Almario-Vanegas	1BH	Maya Rochester	3J
Theo Aguiar	2J	William Brown	6J
Raphy Peacock	3L	Arthur Briggs	2B
James Li	5P	Aaron Hill	4V
Zachary Burbridge	1H	Navaeh Davidi	6WO
Amelia Ahmed	1S	Leo Albuquerque	RH
Blair Colman	5B	Henry Tebbett	RP
Emma Verdin	2W	Bella Tse	6B
Alex Lee	4C	Ezgi Myumyun	5T
Alex Choi	5T	Jacob Rees	4G
Nico Filopei	1MH	Gabija Plavinskas	3MD
Khloe Rose Beer	3J	Grace Hennessy	6WO
Mila Pon	6J	Zoe Tebbett	3L
Rocco Cardella	1H	Adam Hatfield	2J
Alex Jackson	5P	Amelie Guntarske	4V
Tianyi Li	2B	Joshua Hill	RB
Ivy Rhodes	1S	Freddie Pethica	RP
Orla Shrimpton	5P	Harrison McCall	6WO
Emilia Merritt	RH	Alana Rock	2J



Congratulations to everyone who has received a Merit Award recently:

Emily Fraser	5P	Juelz Wright	2J
Harrison Eastwood	1S	Sofia Palimeris	6J
Phoebe Chandler	2B	Holly Salmons	5B
Hsuan-Yi Wu	4G	Jack Tunnard	RH
Theo Lee	5P	Thomas Figueiredo Sparey	4V

Zac Fraser	2W	Kingsley Sexton	1MH
Lacey Bryant	5B	Megan Webb	4C
Nancy Baer	4G	Jasper Li	3J
Henry Wall	6B	Catherine Rees	6B

Theo Yahaioui	3MD	Kole Dench Watts	5T
Abigail Carlin	5T	Summer D'Souza	RP
Anupama Vellanki	1S	Beatrix Starrs	2W
Katie Meadows	6B	Meadow Di Principe	6B

Aurora Fabricius De Souza	1MH	Glen Wilson	4C
Isabella Kettles	4G	Emily Tillin	3J
Benji Goodwyn	5B	Ellie Bourke	5T
Eden Stone	RH	Nancy Jones	1H
Nate Lowe	2B	Harry Chesters	RB

Luke Barr	5P	Zachary Charlie	4V
Adam Soogah	6J	Leo D'Souza	2J
Sophie Zhao	6WO	Ismail Ahmed	3L

Achiever of the Week - Well done to the following children who have worn our Golden Jumpers/t-shirts recently:

Ollie Cheeseman	5P	Teddy Smith	6WO
Leighton Keogh	2B	Emily Pitcher	3L
Freddie Treadwell	1H	Maisie Nicolaou	1S
Saurish Shinde	6J	Alessio Hassenally	4V
Ronnie Bluebell Thomas	5B	Harrison McCall	4G

Florence Taylor	RH	Max Richards	RB
Isla Taylor	1MH	Nora Petri-Sylvester	2W
Jessica McLaughlin	5B	Chloe Waddell	4C
Lola Thomson	4G	Harry Vinson	3J

Azfareen Bajwa	6B	Ruby Paxton-Brown	5T
Audrey Victor	3MD	Bella-Rose McLaughlan	5T
Ioan Pearce	RP	Lily Alvaro-De Clarin	6B
Tilly Roberts	1S	Benji Jackson	2W

Sofia Stanculeanu	1MH	Ethan Wannenburg	4C
George Crawley	4G	Lily Smith	3J
Kubo Hatfield	3MD	Rhys Williamson	5B
Leo Bezzi	5T	David Webb	2J
Daniel Ting	3L	Evan Smith	4V

Edie Leiper	5P	Maia Eigelaar	1H
Enoch Sheung	6WO	Leo Dumitrescu	2B
Henry Cooke	RH	Kayla Wheelan	RB

Tillie Roberts	1S	Nicholas Walker	6J
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