



Stamford Green

Primary School and Nursery



3 November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 3.11.25

Parent/ Carer Teacher Consultations (PCTCs)

Wednesday 5.11.25 and Thursday 13.11.25 for families who have booked. Please remember that due to space restrictions, children are not permitted to attend PCTCs.

Show and Tell

Starting this week! **Red** group will have their turn first on Friday 7.11.25. See details below.

School Shoes

Please remember that trainers are not allowed as part of [school uniform](#). All children should wear appropriate black school shoes.

Our Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 6 November between 8.35am – 9.00am in the Club House. Please enter and exit via the South Gate. All items are priced at £1 each.

We hope you had a fun and relaxing Half Term break. We are all looking forward to the second half of term, which promises to be full of exciting learning opportunities for the children in Reception.

Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTCs)

We look forward to seeing you at the Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations at school this week or next. This is a chance to have a conversation with your child's teacher about how they have settled into Reception, the progress they have made so far and how you can support them with their learning and development. The children's books and folders will be available in the classrooms for you to look at before or after your appointment in the Studio, which is just down the corridor from the Reception classrooms.

As mentioned in the [letter](#), no children, including siblings, will be allowed to come into school for the duration of the event. With nearly 700 pupils in the school we do not have anyone to supervise them, or the space to accommodate children who are waiting whilst their parents/ carers meet their teacher. Many parents help each other out with reciprocal arrangements for child care. In addition, if your child attends Sunset please note that the dismissal arrangements remain the same as normal so please ensure that your appointment allows you to be there at collection time for your child.

Reading at home

You will receive a pack in your child's book bag this week containing some resources for you to use to help your child at home. Home practice plays a vital role in supporting children to grow their love of reading and to enable them to become confident readers throughout their school lives. As they embark on their reading journey in Reception your help and support is invaluable. Depending on how your child is progressing with their reading their pack may include one of the following:

- A card with some '[Fred Games](#)' to play.
- A sound blending book with single words to read.

- A read at home 'ditty' card.

Your child will be given new material each week, which is tailored to meet their needs at this time, so it is imperative that the entire pack is kept in their book bag. This enables us to ensure that every child has what they need.

You will find instructions in your pack but if you have any questions please contact us via the email address parents@stamford-green.surrey.co.uk

Celebrations

In the coming weeks and months, we will be learning about some of the different things that people celebrate. As part of this we would love to hear about your family's special faith and cultural celebrations. If you celebrated Diwali and you have some photos or items that you could share for us to look at please email your child's teacher using the parents@ email address. We would love to hear from your child about what this special occasion means to your family and how they celebrated.



Looking to the future, we would also love to hear about the other festivals that our families celebrate throughout the year – if you could talk to us about Eid, Hanukkah, Ramadan, Lunar New Year, Easter, Orthodox Christmas or any other religious or cultural celebration that is important to you and your family please email to tell us about it so that we can make a plan for you to visit around that time.

Learning Question of the week: Why do people celebrate Bonfire Night?

In anticipation of our annual PTA Fireworks event this Friday and Bonfire night, our learning focus this week will be around this celebration. We will be talking about what fireworks are, describing them and representing them in different ways. We will think about why we might see fireworks at this time of the year and how to stay safe near fireworks.

From our Early Years curriculum the skills we will focus on this week are:

- Read all RWI (Read Write Inc) Set 1 single letter sounds.
- Write the letters when I hear the sound.
- Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.
- Use scissors to cut in straight lines, either to cut out shapes or make fringes.
- Recognise and write numerals 0 – 10.
- Begin to mix primary colours to make secondary colours.
- Use talk to work out problems or organise activities with others.
- Use a pedal vehicle that doesn't require balance eg bike with stabilisers/trike etc.
- Follow instructions with two parts without further prompting.

Phonics

Thank you for all of your support at home with helping your child to learn their sounds. This will enable them to feel confident as they move on in their reading journey.

We have now introduced all of the single-letter sounds. If your child is not confident with all of these, please continue to practice daily.

If they are missing lots of sounds, it can feel overwhelming for them to practice. Please start with the few that they already know confidently and then add one at a time. When they know the new one, add another.

Perhaps you could stick post-it notes up around the house with

Reading

This week we are practicing reading cvc* words and matching them to pictures. If you come across words you think your child could have a go at reading when you are out and about or in books at home, give them the challenge!

*cvc words are words made with a consonant, vowel, consonant e.g. cat, pin, top, man etc.

the sound you are practicing and say it every time you see it?
For more ideas please contact your child's teacher.

They can continue practicing blending sounds to make words by playing this 'Fred Game'

<https://tinyurl.com/ycy49wx2>

Your child can practise 'b' by watching Ellie and Fred:

<https://tinyurl.com/22wy8md2>

Your child can practise 'd' by watching Ellie and Fred:

<https://tinyurl.com/2xd5j2tu>

10 Ways to Become a Better Reader

1. Read

2. Read

3. Read

4. Read

5. Read

6. Read

7. Read

8. Read

9. Read

10. Read

Concept Word

This week's concept word is: shiny



Help at home: When out shopping, look at the window displays for **shiny** things. Clean something at home and make it **shiny!**

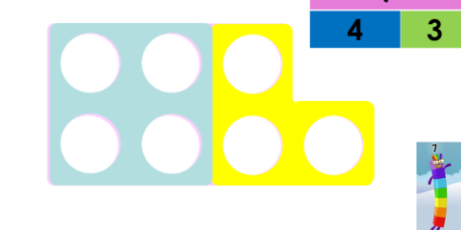
Maths

In maths we will be focusing on the number **7**. Understanding of numbers is much deeper than just being able to say the numbers in order and recognise the digits. We investigate the number of the week from many perspectives to develop an understanding of what each number means and where it sits in comparison to the other numbers. We consider which numbers are parts that make the number 7 and where we see and use number 7 in everyday life.

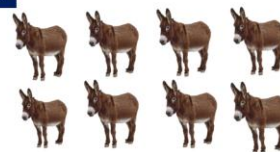
Can you spot it?



Parts and Wholes



One more:



How many will we have with **one more**?

One more than 7 is 8

A good way to support your child with developing their concept of numbers, is through 'track' games such as snakes and ladders or other games where the participants throw a dice and move along the track a certain number of spaces. These also challenge children to recognise the amounts on the dice on-sight (without counting); to learn about taking turns; and about winning and losing with grace.

Show and Tell: Families

Show and Tell will begin to happen on Fridays starting with the theme of family. This week, Friday 7 November the **RED** group from each class will have their turn. Show and tell is an opportunity for each child to share something special with their class practicing their speaking skills. The rest of the class practise their listening skills and have the chance to ask questions too.

Theme: Family

Your child might want to share a picture or drawing of their family to talk about. Photos can be emailed to parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk and should be labelled with your child's name and class in the subject bar. Please could we ask that children don't bring in anything precious/irreplaceable. The other groups will have their turns to show and tell as the term goes on – so only the named group should bring their show and tell next week.

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs Price
YR Class Teachers