



Stamford Green

Primary School and Nursery



17 November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 17.11.25

YR visit to Christ Church Thursday 20.11.25

Please remember to wear a warm, waterproof coat with a hood to school.

Show and Tell

Yellow groups will have their turn on Friday.
See details below.

Reading Packs

Please make sure your child's reading pack is in their bookbag. Books are usually changed on Fridays.

Our Second Hand Uniform Shop will be open on Friday 21 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 are very much looking forward to our first school educational visit on Thursday 20 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 [Opportunities and 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 P.E. 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.

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 practice 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: Why is teamwork important?

'The Little Red Hen' is our story focus this week as we continue to find out all about 'What happens in Fantasy Lands?' This story will give us lots of opportunities to think about teamwork and the importance of 'doing our bit' to help. Children might like to give a helping hand at home too! As we develop our understanding of the world, we will also be looking at the features of a Christian Church and discussing who it is special to.

From our Early Years Curriculum the key skills we will focus on are:

- Ask questions to find out more.
- Share my thoughts and opinions with others.
- Be able to carry objects on different levels – slopes, hills, steps.
- Blend sounds into words orally.
- Recognise and write numerals 0 – 10.
- Label drawings using letters, sounds and known words.
- Use a firm pressure when colouring with pencils to ensure a good mark is made.
- Learn simple songs to be performed.
- Understand that some places are special to members of their community.

Phonics **Reading**

When you read together at home please use the phrase that we use in school:

"Fred Talk - read the word."

Your child will be familiar with this phrase and it will help them to feel confident with using their sounds independently.

Try these Fred games at home:

<https://tinyurl.com/3npmufvy>

<https://tinyurl.com/ehttuxka>

Most children are now confident with recognising the majority of the single letter sounds. If your child is still learning them, you could watch the following together:

Practise 'h' <https://tinyurl.com/4f3mispun>

Practise 'r' <https://tinyurl.com/2ms8ysj3>

Practise 'j' <https://tinyurl.com/39z6ppxz>

Some words we learn to read are called 'red' words. These are words that are not decodable using our usual 'Fred Talk' method. We need to learn these by sight. Please practice recognising these words at home. They are words that you will often see in books.

This week's red word is:

my

Last week's red word was:

I

Wow!

Did you know that scientists have discovered that reading aloud to your child can actually make your brains sync up, and helps them feel calm and connected? Watch this [2-minute video](#) to find out more!

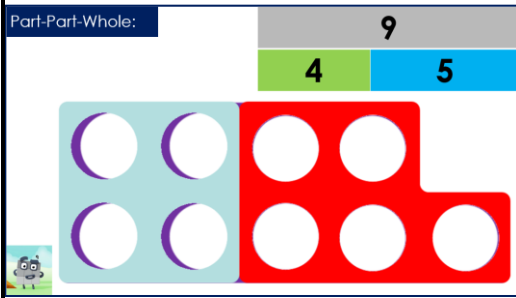
Concept Word

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



Touch different surfaces around your house and talk about whether they are smooth or not smooth. When you are outside feel different things such as leaves, walls and tree trunks. Are they smooth?

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: Families

Show and Tell is on Friday for the **Yellow** group from each class and the theme is 'family.'

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 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