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Stanton Harcourt School

## Newsletter for June into July 2016

### From Mrs Trigg:

Dear Parents,

Well, it was my first Stanton Harcourt Festival and it was brilliant! I just loved every minute – what a great community you have. Weren't the children good! Considering they had not had a great amount of time to practice they did really well. Thanks to them and all the staff for their hard work.

We are starting to get in surveys, we would like even more if you could spare the time to complete them. It would be really helpful for me to get a handle on what you think. The closing date is 29th June.

<https://stantonharcourtschool.typeform.com/to/JL8BZg>

I am arranging a meeting, with yourselves, on **Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> July at 7 p.m.** in order that I can talk to you about where the school is now and what we need to do to continue to drive improvement. I would love to see as many of you as possible.

This is such a hard working, busy term with visits, assessments, performances, sports days, cycling etc. and still keeping the children on track to continuously learn. In the summer holidays, ceilings are being pulled down and replaced and classrooms decorated – the school will have a facelift which will give a really positive start to the new year.

Attendance at the moment is 94%, our target, i.e. the government's expectation, is 96%. I know I keep reminding you about attendance but it is vital and from analysing some individual percentages it is clear that for some children there is a direct correlation between progress and attendance. Please help us to get to the 96%.

### Flowers and Festivals

I think everyone who visited St Michael's church for the flower festival will agree that the arrangements were the best they have ever been. The huge birthday card designed by Emily Rickards looked spectacular at the foot of the font. Barbara Edwards arranged the flowers on behalf of the children and she would like to thank the parents of Stanton Harcourt School for your generous donations.

Mr Charles Mathew kindly offered to deliver the Queen's 90th birthday card before he had even seen it. I dread to think how much the postage will be! Thank you Mr Matthew.

The children of Stanton Harcourt would also like to say thank the Parish Council for the commemorative medals they received in church from Mr Charles Mathew earlier this month. We know the children were delighted with their gifts and will remember this time fondly.

### Wear it Wild

On Friday the 27th May, the children at Stanton Harcourt School wore masks and wild animal costumes to help raise money for the World Wildlife Foundation. Thank you to everyone who brought cakes to sell and to Mrs Tingley for bringing along the ice lollies. We raised just over £93 and the children voted to sponsor an African Elephant named Kiruba. This was a fabulous end to our Rainforest topic! Have a look at our website for photographs.

## **Photo delivery**

If you sent in your photo orders by 24th June, they should be back by 8th July.

## **Martial Arts - free tasters following today's sessions**

The children were lucky to have Ryan to support us in trying out some martial arts this morning. Everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves and now understand that martial arts is safe, easy and fun to do. Ryan says "The event was made so much more enjoyable thanks to the focus and commitment from the children. Thank you."

The company would also like to offer all the children a **FREE 30 Day Trial Programme (normally £20)**. Please see the attached PDF as there were a lot of children today who seemed really keen to explore martial arts further. They have also set aside THREE taster days next week so the children of Stanton Harcourt School can confidently try out martial arts together.

## **Artist in Residence**

We would like to welcome Emily Cooling to Stanton Harcourt School this term. She is a talented artist who will be creating a stained glass window decoration to put in the school hall. She will be running art workshops for the children and using their ideas to create a free standing masterpiece. The money to pay for the artist, run the workshops and make the final piece has come from the same fund that created the mosaic in the village hall. I am really looking forward to seeing the finished result and you will all be invited to join us for the grand unveiling in September.

## **Pond area**

We have noticed that on a couple of occasions that some of the safety features on the pond cover have been tampered with. There are lots of frogs and newts in the pond and we really want you to visit them, but please can you ensure that children are supervised at all times when visiting the pond and that the safety cover and stones are not moved.

## **Road Safety**

A concerned village resident phoned a week ago to ask us to remind parents that they must keep a close eye on children when they are walking or riding to and from school. She had had a close shave with a child who had run ahead of their parent and wished to make sure everyone is vigilant. We run a road safety course called "Footsteps" in the Early Years and cycle training programmes for older children to encourage our pupils to be aware of the dangers.

## **Next Year!**

Mrs Trigg will be in school on Monday, Wednesday and Friday

### **Next year's teachers:**

EYFS: Mrs. Hardy (three days) and Mrs. Pascoe (2 days)

Class 1: Mrs. Woodford (4 days) and Mrs. Lappin (1 day)

Class 2: Mrs. Walsh

Class 3: Mrs. Tingley (3 days), Mrs. Clark (2 days)

### **Clubs for next year**

Clubs will cost £3.00 per hour and will be invoiced for the Autumn Term.

A sign up sheet will be sent home with your child; please ensure you book your child in - **we will not assume you want a space based on your child's attendance this year**, so please complete the form we are sending home.

Before School Club - every morning from 8:00 onwards

After school Clubs:

Mondays - Drama until 4:15 £3.00 (KS2 only)

Tuesday - Knight School until 4:45 £4.50 (Year 2 upwards) (See flyer attached to email)

Wednesday - Football (KS2 only) until 4:15 £3.00

Thursday - Ignite Sports (KS1 and 2 only) until 4:15 £3.00

### Teaching assistant posts at EPA schools

Please see the link if you would be interested in working at any of the schools in the Eynsham Partnership.  
<http://stantonharcourtschool.org.uk/eynsham-partnership/epa-job-vacancies/>

### Parents are invited to:

#### The Tempest - Friday 15th July 2 pm and 6 pm

This year, drama club have decided to perform their production twice so more people can enjoy the show. All children in school are involved in learning songs for this and some children who are not in Drama Club will have roles allocated. Could parents please take scooters or bikes home with you in the morning on this day as children will need to be collected from the Village Hall at 3:10 pm to go home for tea and will need to be back at the Hall at 5:45 pm ready to perform again. We expect the evening performance to end at 7:10 pm so if you aren't able to attend, please collect your child then!

We won't be selling tickets, but will be asking for donations at each performance.

Could the children in Drama Club who were given sprite costumes for the Summer Festival please return them in a bag labelled with the child's name? Thank you!

#### Sports - Track events 19th July 1:30 pm

Thank you to everyone who came to Sports' Day. Red team were the overall winners; the first time this has happened for quite a while!

Races will take place on the 19th July at 1.30 p.m - parents are welcome to come and watch!

#### Parents' consultation evenings Monday July 4th and Tuesday July 5th 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

**On July 6th we will have our Moving Up Morning**, when children will be working with their new class and teacher. If you have any concerns about this, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher. It is not expected that many parents will need to do so, but you will be able to sign up to see teachers outside each classroom from Monday 27th June.

#### Leavers' service Monday 18th July 9:15 - 10:00 am

We will be saying goodbye to children leaving our school at St Michael's church - all parents are welcome, but particularly those of children who are leaving us.

#### Parents' meeting with the Headteacher Monday 18th July 7:00 - 8:00pm

Mrs Trigg will talk to you about where the school is now and what we need to do to continue to drive improvement.

#### The Newsletter for "June into July" is available in your email inbox and online on the website

#### School Website Calendar - replacing Dates for your Diary

Please check out the school calendar online as this is the most up to date information for events.

<http://stantonharcourtschool.org.uk/calendar/>

Reply slip - please return by July 11th.

Clubs for Autumn term (Sept - Dec) 2016-17 – insert name(s) of child(ren) please

Club	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

Before School Club 8:00 onwards					
Lunchtime Club 12:30 – 1:00	Construction Open to all			Spanish Classes 1,2,3	Chess Class 2 and 3
After School Club 3:15 – 4:15	Drama Class 2 and 3	Knight School Year 2 upwards	Football Classes 1,2,3 only	Ignite Multi Sports Classes 1,2,3	

I am happy to pay £3 per hour for these clubs and understand this will be invoiced for Sept - Dec.

My child will be collected at the end of the day unless otherwise indicated.

Signed.....Date.....

Print name.....

Contact email/phone.....