## May Newsletter 2017

# Stanley St Andrew's

### Church of England Primary School

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#### Fantastic news

Many of you will be aware that the DFE has high expectations with regards the moderation of writing at the end of Key Stage One and Two. I am delighted to share that Mrs. Knifton has successfully passed the rigorous test and will moderate for the local authority. Mrs Knifton will be allocated a selection of schools later on this term, which she will then go out and visit to complete their moderation process. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating her in this challenging role.

Last term we had an external review of our 'Basic Skills' from an assessor. This took the format of a learning walk, formal discussion, data scrutiny and meeting with Numeracy and Literacy leaders. I am pleased to announce that our assessor was very happy with what she observed and we have been awarded our sixth Basic Skills Award. My thanks go out to Ms. Middleton and Mrs. Knifton for their leadership of Numeracy and Literacy across school.

#### Our Wonderful PTA

The Easter Bonnet parade was a huge success, and my thanks go to our amazing PTA for putting on workshops for children to create their bonnets. In addition, I really appreciate their hard work in providing children with prizes and for the refreshments. They really are an amazing group of parents, who help us to fund raise for the extra things our children receive in school. The Easter event raised an amazing £179.00 which will go toward refilling the sun cream dispensers (to keep all our children safe from the sun).

Also the Phil a bag event, which we took part in, raised £105 which is a fantastic amount. Thank you to all the parents who filled bags and to the PTA for organising the event.



#### **Relief Midday Supervisors**

We are currently looking to appoint relief midday supervisors, if you would like more information or know someone that would be interested in learning more, please come in and speak to me.

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Please remember that all children should have a PE kit in school each day so that they can access the PE curriculum.

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#### **Breakfast club**

Breakfast club starts at 8:00am please do not ring the bell before this time as it stops staff setting up.

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Sun hats and water bottles need to be in school this term as we are still unsure about the weather but will endeavor that children get out at playtime and lunchtime regardless.

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No Pokémon cards in school

#### **Holidays**

A reminder that children should not take holidays in term time unless the circumstances are exceptional. If a child has a week off school they will miss a whole topic of Numeracy and Literacy which cannot be caught up with. Please check the school website for holidays and inset information and check before booking.

#### Medicine in school

Please may I remind you that we are only able to **administer prescription medicines** in school, which should be in the original container. The medicine needs to be taken to the school office and a medicine form needs to be filled out, stating the dosage and the clearly signed by a parent. This form can be downloaded from the school website under key information policies section. Please do not send your child into school with medication in their book bag or coat pocket as this is dangerous and could be taken by another child or lost.

#### Careers Days 17th- 19th July

As most parents will recall, we carry out careers guidance for our children in the summer term. This year we are going to include all children in school as part of their PSHE development. I know we have many gifted and talented parents and grandparents in our school community and I would like to invite people to come into school and talk about their careers. If you have an interesting job and you would be happy to talk to groups of children about your role and what it entails please contact school so that we can start to create a programme for the three days. The idea is that the adult talks for about 10 minutes about their job and the children ask their questions. We need a range of job roles so that the children get a good flavor of the different workplaces and that they can start to grow in wisdom and understanding of the working world.

#### Attendance figures overall

Golden Eagles Class 96.90%

Kingfisher Class 97.94%

Puffin Class 97.46%

Robin Class 97.32%

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## DATES FOR THE DIARY

SATS Week for Year 6 children May 8 – 12<sup>th</sup>

15th- 19th May Walk to school week

26th of May Break up for Half Term

6<sup>th</sup> June 3:15- 3:40pm pm Lea Green meeting

16<sup>th</sup> June Sports day dependent on weather more details to follow

17<sup>th</sup> June Summer Fair more details to follow

21st-23rd June Lea Green residential trip for Golden Eagles

27th June New Reception children meeting 4:30-5:30pm

1st July Stanley Gala

2<sup>nd</sup> June Church service with school choir

5<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 at Derby Cathedral

11<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> July New Reception children in school

Kirk Hallam transition day

14th July Stanley's Got Talent

17th-19th July careers day- when I grow up I want to be...

18<sup>th</sup> July Golden Eagles end of year performance more details to follow

19th July Year 5-Taster day at Kirk Hallam, open to all year 5 children for the full day including a complementary lunch

20<sup>th</sup> July Leavers service in church 9:30

Break up for the Summer.

