

STANTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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This Week

The week started with the year 6 parents being invited to lunch on Monday followed by our leaver's assembly. The children performed short sketches that they had prepared to show us their dreams for the future as well as singing their version of Don't Stop Believing. The assembly ended with a presentation of leavers' certificates and gifts.

Tuesday and Wednesday were transition days with all children moving up to their new classes. It was strange without the year 6 children but lovely to welcome our new Hazel class into school. On Thursday we had an amazing day watching the parades at RAF Honington, listening to the band playing and watching the arrival of Prince Harry. Unfortunately as we walked to line up for the Prince's walk-about the heavens opened and the wind blew a gale; but it was worth getting a little wet as we went into the Junior Mess and met Prince Harry in person. He was wonderful with the children, shaking hands, doing high fives, chatting to them, letting them touch his medals and uniform and generally being very down to earth and interested in everybody. We all came away extremely excited about having met and spoken to him. Please take a look on twitter for photos.

Our week finished with our last assembly of the year when the school said goodbye to the year 6, Xander, Maisy and Poppy. We also said good bye to Mrs Blake and Miss Williams.

Mrs Blake is moving back up north to be nearer her family as her husband is being posted away from RAF Honington. Mrs Blake started volunteering in school as a parent helper and it soon became very apparent that we couldn't let her go.

Miss Williams is leaving us to take up promotion as Assistant Head teacher at the Priory School. We are so proud of her on gaining this position and wish her and Mrs Blake all the very best in the future. We will miss both of them.

On Wednesday we welcomed Mr Paterson into school and in September he will be supporting some of the children who have worked with Mrs Blake and Miss Williams this year.

Attendance

As a school we aim to maintain an attendance rate at a minimum of 95%. The class attendance for last week was as follows:

Oak class - 100%

Ash class - 98.7% 😊

Maple class - 98.3% 😊

Sycamore class - 96.7% 😊

Silver Birch class - 94.0%

Beech class - 98.1% 😊

Hazel class - 94.9%

A HUGE well done to Oak class who win the attendance award for this week and will get a special treat.

Progress Certificates

The Head teacher's certificates for great progress over this term were awarded to:

Harry in Hazel class

Max in Beech class

Ace in Silver Birch class

Riley in Sycamore class

Reece B in Maple class

Cameron in Ash class

Charlie in Oak class

Jake H in Cedar class

Cashless System

Reminder that when we return to school in September we will no longer be accepting any cash payments including for Windmill club. If you haven't registered yet please do so. The letter we sent home is on the website.

School Uniform

Please can I remind parents that children need to wear school shoes during the day; trainers are only to be worn for playing on the field and PE.

Children in Nursery and Reception wear navy polo shirts; children in years 1 - 4 wear white polo shirts and children in year 5 and 6 are required to wear a pale blue polo shirt.

Children's Learning

It is so important that the children keep up with their learning over the holiday. Six weeks holiday, although lovely, is a long time (as long as half a term) and children do forget and can go backwards. Please can I urge you all to please have a go at some of the following:

- Summer Reading Challenge at any library. This year it is called Animal Agents and the children are awarded many different prizes for reading book. More information can be found at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>
- The children can of course read any magazines, recipes, instructions, postcards, comics and books that you may have at home.
- Postcards, letters and diaries are also a great way for the children to keep writing as well as making up their own fact files or stories
- <http://mathszone.co.uk/> is also a great way to keep your children entertained and don't forget they can always practice the multiplication tables.

On behalf of all the staff I would like to thank you all for your support this year and wish you a very happy summer with your children.

Wednesday 6th September - Children return to school