



A Royally Good Time

Stanway Primary School Newsletter

Pupils have been working extremely hard this half-term with the statutory Key Stage One and Two assessments taking place and children preparing for Phonics and Times table tests next half-term.

We felt extremely proud of our Year 6 children as they took the exams in their stride thanks to the excellent preparations of Mrs. Riggs, Miss Milburn, Mrs. Chaney and Mrs. Jacques.

It was a demanding week, but the children enjoyed having breakfast in school in the morning, and some more therapeutic learning in the afternoon such as Art and PE.

The assessments are not quite over as now Mrs. Riggs and Miss Milburn are busy making assessments of the Year 6 writing which we have to submit to the Local Authority and Department for Education.

This week it has been the turn of Key Stage One, and Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Knights, Mrs. Jamieson and Mrs. Wood have been very pleased with the children's maturity and how they have taken these tests in their stride. Attendance has been excellent in both these year groups, and we thank parents for their support in ensuring this.

Now that we have (slightly!) warmer weather, the children have been very excited to be on the school field again at breaktimes and lunchtimes. We have also been very pleased to finally roll out our new playground equipment, managed by the Year 6 Sports Leaders.

There is now a really good choice of playground games thanks to resources such as target boards, skipping ropes, bowls sets, croquet hoops and hammers, and cup and balls, to name a few.

Coronation Celebrations

On Friday, May 5th, together with schools across Great Britain, we gathered together to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. Children in Key Stage One staged their own tea party, decorating biscuits for the occasion, and then the whole school met on the school field for a grand procession to music of the crowned heads of Stanway. There were a super assortment of crown designs and we all enjoyed seeing what other classes had done and waving to siblings and friends.



The School Council have decided to make a Coronation Garden in the grassed area to the left of the Bike Shed adjacent to Villa Road. The consensus is that we aim for a colour scheme of red, white and blue and we are going to plant some of King Charles' favourite blooms and commission a plaque as a tribute to this historic occasion.



Led by Miss Milburn and Mrs Booth, we have also been very proud of the contribution of our sports teams to local matches and tournaments. So far, this term, we have taken part in a Football Cup, a Girls' Football tournament, a Dodgeball competition and several Netball Competitions; and there will be more of these next half-term.

Warm wishes,
Rebecca Loader
Headteacher



A Fond Farewell!

We sadly say farewell (but not goodbye) to Mrs. Claire Wheeler, our School Business Manager, who leaves us at the end of this half-term for a promotion to Consortium Business Manager where she will still be working alongside our Business Team in her new role.

Mrs. Wheeler has been part of our school staff for over eighteen years, and has seen the school through many new adventures as well being a parent herself here. She will be missed as a daily presence in the school, but we look forward to hearing of her successes in her new role.

Our new School Business Manager, Mrs. Lucy Frizzell has joined us from Camulos School in Colchester. She has been working alongside Mrs. Wheeler for the past two weeks and she is looking forward to getting to know staff and our local community better as she settles into her new role.

Tuesday, 23rd May, 2023



Coronation Capers

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Attendance Update

Term-time holidays and other unauthorised absence

Requests for family holidays will not be authorised during term-time. If you are taking your children out of school for this purpose, the time off will be marked as unauthorised, and you could receive a Penalty Notice.

Unauthorised absence includes:

- *parents keeping children off school unnecessarily e.g. because they had a late night or for non-infectious illness or injury that would not affect their ability to learn;*
- *absences which have never been properly explained;*
- *children who arrive at school after the close of registration are marked using a 'U'. This indicates that they are in school for safeguarding purposes however this is recorded as an absence for the session;*
- *shopping trips;*
- *looking after other children or children accompanying siblings or parents to medical appointments;*
- *their own or family birthdays;*
- *holidays taken during term time without leave not deemed 'for exceptional purposes' by the headteacher may result in the school applying to the local authority to issue a penalty notice or, if you have previously been issued a Penalty Notice, the school may request a direct prosecution by the local authority;*
- *day trips;*
- *other leave of absence in term time which has not been agreed.*

Stanway Primary School Attendance Policy

There is no entitlement for parents to take their child out of school during term time; however, you may apply to the school for leave of absence if you believe there are exceptional circumstances. The regulations make it clear that a family holiday is not seen as exceptional circumstances. **In line with the Local Authority's advice to schools, we will take legal action against parents who take their children on unauthorised holidays in term-time. Please see our Attendance Policy for more information.**

Class	Attendance %
1 Blake	89.8
1 Donaldson	97.6
2 Bond	97.4
2 Dahl	94.4
3 Morpurgo	96.8
3 Wilson	98
4 Jackson	96.6
4 Zephaniah	94.1
5 Rauf	96.5
5 Shakespeare	94.8
6 Rowling	98.6
6 Tolkien	96.3
R Hendra	93.8
R Rosen	94.4

Well done to 6 Rowling on coming first for attendance this half-term with 3 Wilson in second place, and 1 Donaldson third!





Stanway Pupil Voice

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Stanway Primary Vs Mersea

On Friday, 19th May, 2023, Stanway Primary Boys' Team took on Mersea School at a game of football, which was played on our Astroturf. The group of Year 6 boys were: Joshua, Toby, Gustav, Rio, Elliott A, Oscar E, Oscar S, Connor and Hector. At big well done to everybody who participated and thank you to Elliot A and Oscar E for doing a good job in goal.

The game got underway and it started very end to end. Early on we created lots of chances but their keeper was having an amazing game. Five minutes in, Toby scored with a nice bottom corner finish assisted by Elliott A. We were now 1-0 up. Not long after, Gustav received the ball on the edge of the box. He saw the opportunity to pass to Josh. Once Josh had controlled the ball, he took on a Mersea defender (number 8) and rifled the ball into the left side netting. What a goal from a tough angle! Just before half-time, Hector managed to get us to a comfortable 3 goal lead going into the second half.

Early on in the second half, Toby and Hector pulled off a nice give and go and Toby played a pass across the goal and Josh was there to tap it in. A brilliant team play put Stanway 4-0 up. Mersea didn't give up and got a goal back. Soon after Josh's goal, Gustave won a corner. He took it quickly and passed to Toby at the half-way line. Toby played a low-driven pass into Connor's feet. He rapidly turned around and slotted the ball into the bottom right corner: 5-1! The boys didn't act like the game was over. Mersea still fought and managed to bring the score to 5-2. Just before the end, Hector pressed the Mersea defence on the halfway line and it luckily deflected into the goal: 6-2.

The game ended 6-2 and the POTM (Player of the match) for our team was Joshua with 2 goals. Well done, Josh. For their team decided to pick Number 1 (boy in goal) and Number 11 (girl in midfield). Well done to Mersea for a great game. Also, a big well done to all the boys that played for Stanway Primary.

Toby & Gustav

Welcome to a regular part of the half-termly newsletter.....two pages full of information that the Year 6 Journalism club have selected and written for you to share...

Young Journalists: Toby, Avaneish, Connor, Oscar E and Josh

Year 6 SATS

On the week beginning 8th May, the Year 6 pupils had their SATs tests. They had a total of 8 tests: 3 Maths; 1 Reading and 2 Grammar/Spelling tests. The tests were harder than the children had experienced in their practice SATs.

On the first day of SATs, they had their grammar and spelling papers. On the second day, they had their reading paper; lots of students thought that test was the hardest.

Next, they had 2 of their Maths tests. These were one of the reasoning tests and the arithmetic test. On the final day, the children had their second reasoning test. Once the test was finished, there were lots of cheers. Every parent should be extremely proud of their children.

By Connor



Year 4 Wow Work

Year 6 Blog

By Avaneish

This summer term, the year sixes have been hard at work doing their best to leave behind a good impression on Stanway Primary School as they reach the end of the year.

Art lessons have been exceptionally good this term, especially our Dragon Eyes including honourable mentions like Sofia in 6 Tolkein and Oscar E in 6 Rowling. We have also been doing Optical Art inspired by Bridget Riley using colours and shading.

To finish off their SATs, the Year sixes have been writing delightful pieces of cross-curricular writing such as a scientific biography on Charles Darwin and an explanatory text on Buddhism. They have also written plenty of end of term pieces based on the book by Polly Ho Yen.

We hope you enjoyed hearing about the Year Sixes' amazing learning and endeavours.





Issue 3

Stanway Primary School PTA

PTA Newsletter

In this issue:

- ♦ PTA trustees
- ♦ Schedule of events
- ♦ How much have we raised since Christmas
- ♦ What else our we funding this term
- ♦ Summer Fayre
- ♦ New target
- ♦ Easy fundraising

PTA trustees

Chairperson	Michelle Moxon
Secretary	Saras Ruddick
Treasurer	Julia Randall
Vice Chair	Megan Govinden

We would like to thank you all for supporting the PTA by participating in our activities over the course of the past six months. Through the money raised we have reached the £3500.00 target set out in our last newsletter. This has enabled us to provided each year group with £500 each towards internal speakers and external trips.

Schedule of upcoming events

16th June - Fathers Day/Someone Special Day

1st July - Summer Fayre

Every Friday after half term choc ice/ice pole sales



What have we raised since Christmas...

Doughnut sale – We raised £155

Quiz night – Our 'Back to School' quiz night was a great night had by all. Questions were taken from 'Are you smarter than a 10 year old' TV show and proved challenging! In the end it came down to a tie breaker between The Lesson Plan Factory and Quizzards of Oz with the latter coming out on top and winning Garden Centre vouchers and 12 box of Krispy Kreme doughnuts (not left over from the above sale). See team results below. **Overall we raised £150.00**

Back to School Quiz

Team Name	Points
Quizzards of Oz	43 + Tie breaker
The Lesson Plan Factory	43
Wise Quacks	38
Quizzee Rascals	37
Flippin Awesome	36
Rye Babes	35
We thought this was Speed Dating	34
Moore & Co	33
The Boys, Veedub & Table 1 (The boys)	32
Table 2 (The girls)	30
Wild Quesses	29
Thought Rite	28

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Mothers Day/someone special day – The children really enjoyed visiting the pop up shop and being able to pay and choose their own items.

RAISED £606.17

What have we funded so far this term ...

- ♦ Year 6 leavers event at Leisure world
- ♦ Contributions towards the Year 6 leavers hoodies

School trips - £3500

Reception	TBC
Year 1	Jimmys Farm
Year 2	Gunpowder Mills
Year 3	Abberton Reservoir
Year 4	Colchester Castle
Year 5	West Stow
Year 6	Duxton Air Museum

New school target - £TBC

The school will be having the playground resurfaced. They have asked the PTA to contribute towards enhancing the playground. With many ideas such as reading corners, new markings and many more interactive ideas, which are limitless depending on the funding we can provide. It is a big challenge and therefore we hoping that you will support us in our upcoming fundraising activities!

Summer Fayre

Saturday 1st July 2023

Come to the Carnival

We will need volunteers to either help with set up, man stalls or clear down If you are able to help on the day please contact pta@stanway-pri.essex.sch.uk

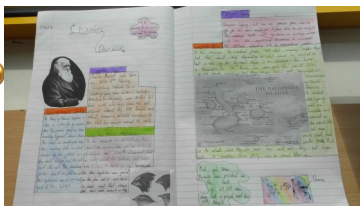


Easy Fundraising

Register with easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/>



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2022/2023



SUMMER TERM 2023

Wednesday 24th
Friday 26th

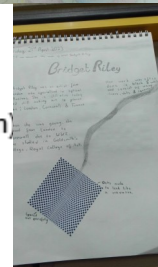
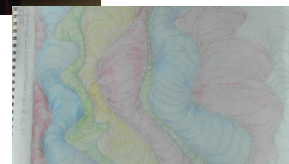
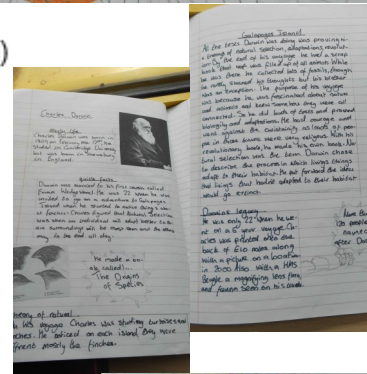
5 Shakespeare Class Assembly (9:00am)
Break for Half Term

JUNE

Monday 5th
Tuesday 6th
Tuesday 6th to
Friday 23rd
Tuesday 6th
Wednesday 7th
Wednesday 7th
W/C Monday 12th
Monday 12th
Wednesday 14th
Friday 16th
W/C Monday 19th
Tuesday 20th
Wednesday 21st
Thursday 22nd
Friday 23rd
Wednesday 28th
Friday 30th

Non Pupil Day
Children return to School
Year 4 Times Tables Checks (3 weeks)

New Intake Parents Meeting (5:30pm)
R Rosen & 5 Shakespeare Road Safety Session
New Intake Parents Meeting (5:30pm)
Phonics Screening Week
Year 3 Trip to Abberton Reservoir
R Hendra & 5 Rauf Road Safety Session
PTA Someone Special Day
Sports Week
EYFS/KS1 Sports Day (Parents to be invited in the afternoon)
Consortium Sports
KS2 Sports Day (Parents to be invited in the afternoon)
Non-Uniform Day (Summer Fayre Fund-raiser)
Year 6 Induction at The Stanway School
Outdoor Learning Day



JULY

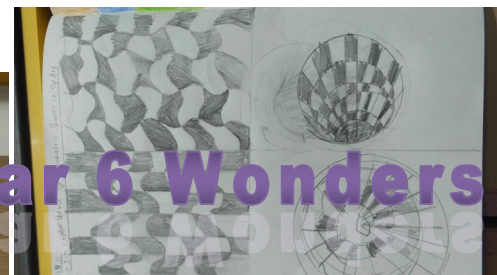
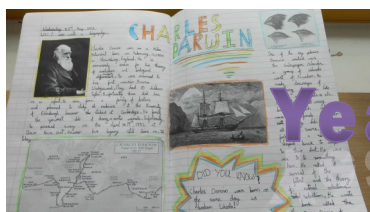
Saturday 1st
Tuesday 4th
Wednesday 5th
Friday 7th
Monday 10th
Monday 10th
Monday 10th
Tuesday 11th

PTA Summer Fayre
New Intake Teddy Bear's Picnic - Hendra (3:30pm)
New Intake Teddy Bear's Picnic - Rosen (3:30pm)
Annual Reports Go Home
Move Up Monday (am)
New Intake Sessions (am/pm)
Open Evening (3:30pm – 5:00pm)
Summer Music Concert - School Choir (9:00am-10:00am)

Tuesday 11th
Wednesday 12th
Thursday 13th
Monday 17th -
Wednesday 19th
Thursday 20th
Friday 21st
Friday 21st

UKS2 Performance (6:00pm)
UKS2 Performance (1:30pm)
UKS2 Performance (6:00pm)
Year 6 Residential Trip to Bawdsey Manor

EYFS Visit from Gemma's Farm
Year 6 Leaver's Assembly (am)
Break for Summer Holiday



Year 6 Wonders