

# Stapleford Community Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to share with you just how well the children have been working over the first month back in school. The children have shown much interest in their topics, taking great pride in their work. We shall make sure there are plenty of pictures on the school website for you to see. One change we have decided to keep this year is the virtual parents evenings. We shall once again use 'School Cloud' as a booking tool. The dates are Tuesday 2nd and Thursday 4th November. Booking will commence w/c 11th October.



The children in Year 6 recently had the opportunity to put themselves forward to take on a leading position in the school such as a sports, arts or music leader. Miss Street was delighted with the **ambition** shown by the children who prepared their speeches for being a house captain so thoroughly. After the first round of voting across the school I am delighted to announce the following house captains for 2021- 2022:

House Captain for Lewis: Duncan Waters	Y2 Vice Captain: Sami Zenner Branco
House Captain for Margolyes: Alice Mundell	Y2 Vice Captain: Amie Paley
House Captain for Blake: Finley Crossan	Y2 Vice Captain: James Hejazi
House Captain for Newton: Jordan Abraham	Y2 Vice Captain: Arabella Sayers

**Attendance:** Congratulations to Oak and Birch classes for their excellent attendance in September. Some isolation has of course been necessary, but after 2 school years of broken attendance we are ambitious that attendance can be 96% or better across the school.

Elm Class	95.8%
Willow Class	95.9%
larch class	93.8%
Oak Class	98.5%
Birch Class	97.9%
Ash Class	89.3%
Pine class	92.7%

**Flu Immunisations:** The school nurse team will complete these for all children. These will take place on Wednesday 6th October, but the forms must be received in school. Please collect one from the office if you are unable to download it.

**Fun Run:** The Fun Run Committee have been busy planning the next event which is on the 10<sup>th</sup> October, on the Magog Downs. The children are already practising using the 'Daily Mile' to set/beat their own targets and to build up stamina. Several local companies have sponsored the event; Wed Joinery, Redmayne Arnold & Harris, Gymbo's, Scotsdales, House of Colour, The Pizza and Kitchen Co, Shelford & Stapleford Strikers and Stapleford Granary . Donations are most welcome at [www.justgiving.com/staplefordschpta](http://www.justgiving.com/staplefordschpta) To register for the event go to [staplefordrun.com](http://staplefordrun.com).

**Earrings:** Please note children doing PE should be able to remove their earrings before a lesson. The Local Authority PE advisor is very clear on the dangers of wearing earrings in PE lessons, and as staff are not allowed to remove earrings, they need to be taken out at home on PE days please.

**Applications for school places 2021 - 2022:** The Local Authority handles our admissions. See below for the important dates. If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, and you live in Cambridgeshire you need to apply for Reception for September 2022. Further information can be found here:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/apply-for-a-school-place/primary-reception-junior-or-middle-school>

**IMPORTANT DATES - Is your child:-**

- Starting Primary (Reception) or Junior Schools (Year 3) for September 2022 – Online application process opens **10<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and closes 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**
- Due to transfer from Primary (Year 6) to Secondary (Year 7) for September 2022 - Online application process opens **10<sup>th</sup> September 2021 and closes 31<sup>st</sup> October**

**Outstanding Governance:** Anglian Learning are thrilled to have won the National Governance Association (NGA) for outstanding governance in a MAT award. Mr Culpin was delighted to collect the award recently.



**Vacancy:** We are looking for an additional midday assistant. If you are available to help at lunchtimes between 2-5 days a week, please contact the school office for an application form.

**Gym Club and Choir:** With the recent rise in cases of Covid19, Mr Bryant will not restart gym club as mixing children between the schools indoors may increase the numbers locally. Choir will not restart before half term either.

**And finally,** please could all parents remember that dogs are not permitted onto the playgrounds. Several worried parents have contacted me about this. Unless it is a guide or therapy dog, please wait outside the perimeter with your dogs.

Yours sincerely,

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Christine Spain  
Headteacher

Dates:

October

6th	Flu Immunisations
7th	Y6 Class Trip to Duxford
8th	PTA AGM 2.15pm on back playground (zoom if wet)
10th	PTA Fun Run on Magog Downs
12th	Forest of Imagination project with Y6
22nd	Y3 trip to Wandlebury
25th-29th	Half Term

November

2nd	Parent consultations 1
4th	Parent consultations 2
8th	Y6 English Quiz
15th-19th	Anti bullying week
15th	Odd Socks Day
17th	Y3/4/5/6 VR anti bullying workshops
19th	School closed for training day
29th	Reception and Nursery Class trip

December

13th	Pantomime at Cambridge Arts Theatre
17th	Last day of term

January 2022

4th	Staff training day
5th	First day of Spring term
11th	Y5 to Dept of Engineering for afternoon