

Stapleford Community Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Swimming Gala: Congratulations to the Y6 swimming team who came in second place in the gala last week- super team effort everyone, but a special well done to Nik, who has only recently joined us at SCSP from Ukraine but joined in superbly.

Trips and Visits: We have had a flurry of trips and visits recently. Y6 saw Beauty and the Beast in London and had their picture taken outside Buckingham Palace. Y3 saw a great variety of animals at Hamerton Zoo bringing to life those talked about in their Rainforest topic. Y2 visited Wandelbury for a local visit identifying and looking at habitats for a range of creatures and Y1 spent the day on the beach at Wells in Norfolk. As well as enjoying sand castle building on the beach they visited the RNLI lifeboat station and had a talk about water safety and saw the self-righting life saving lifeboat. Thank you to the PTA for agreeing to help subsidise the cost of the coaches, which brings the overall cost to parents down a little.



Sports Day: We are looking forward to enjoying a sports day this week. Given the heat we are expecting for the next 2 weeks, we aim to start slightly earlier for both age groups. The youngest children racing from as soon as we can get outside from 0915 – 1015 and the junior classes running at 10.20-11.20. Hats, water bottles and sun cream are a must please. We have a few seats parents can use, or bring your own if you prefer. I would ask that you do not stand at the end of the running track/ finishing line but stay along the side of the running track to cheer your children on. As it is going to be so hot we shall make use of the shade from the trees, but if you have a gazebo you could bring for the children to sit underneath for the morning, it would be much appreciated.

Fun Run on the Magog Downs: Thank you so much to all of the committee and helpers who organised and assisted at the fun run last weekend, it was a great success. It was lovely seeing so many pupils join in as well as 'past' pupils. The cake sale was very popular, so the fundraising for next year's Y6 hoodies is well under way.

A Platinum Jubilee Celebration Book: All children from reception to Y6 have been given a book, 'Queen Elizabeth A Platinum Celebration'. This is a beautiful commemorative souvenir celebrating the Queen's jubilee, I hope they treasure it.

Reading Challenge 2022: This year the Challenge is called 'Gadgeteers'. It runs each year, and is great for continuing to promote reading during the long summer break. Further details can be found on the link below <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/news/general/gadgeteers-intro>



Summer Building Works: We have two projects running over the summer. The first is to have all internal lighting upgraded to meet new guidelines. They are more energy efficient and give a better quality light. The second is some remodelling work in the middle of the school, which will see the staffroom moved and the main corridor opened out to improve flow through the school.

Amazon Smile: We recently received a donation for just over £50 from Amazon Smile - which is a charity-giving arm of Amazon whereby every purchase leads to the school receiving a donation. Thank you everyone who supports the school with these purchases. If you have not signed up yet, simply follow the link and you can search for 'staplefordprimaryschoolpta'. smile.amazon.co.uk



School Lunches: Following a procurement procedure, we shall no longer be using Caterlink Catering for lunches from September, but a new catering firm Innovate will be in place. Over the past term Anglian Learning has subsidised the increased costs of lunches, rather than having a mid year price increase to parents, however this is not sustainable. From the start of the autumn term, lunches will be **£2.50 per child per day**. Although any increase in cost is unwelcome, we have worked hard with our catering provider to limit the increase as far as possible despite significant increases in food, fuel and labour costs.

The increase will not affect those entitled to free school meals through the Universal Infant Free School meals programme in Reception and Years 1 and 2. It will also not affect children who are eligible for free school meals. If you are unsure about your eligibility for free school meals please contact Mrs Groser at the school office.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

Dates: Summer 2022

Wed 13th July	Sports Day
Wed 13th & Thurs 14th July	Y6 school play
Friday 15th July	School Disco
19th-20th July	Y5 residential visit to Burwell
Mon 18th July	Move up morning
Mon 18th July	Celebration assembly in hall 2.15pm
Thurs 21 st July	'Holiday' school lunch- fish and chips followed by fruit or ice cream
Thurs 21st July	Y6 leavers Assembly and Last Day of Term