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Message from Headteacher

It has been a pleasure getting to know the school community and as we reach the end of Spring term, I have been reflecting on the variety of opportunities our pupils have experienced. Last Wednesday, the Band performance on our playground was impressive and it was a privilege to see our young Musicians playing to an audience. Thank you to Mrs Williams who made this opportunity possible. Our Comic Relief Cake Sale raised £63.32 and our winning jokes from each class were shared in assembly with winners helping to pick some Joke books for our library collection.

Last Friday, we celebrated a great deal of success with certificates for House Points and recognised our Cross Country Team who had represented our school brilliantly by participating alongside a number other primary schools. We also heard from each class about highlights from Science Week and shared learning. Our aeroplane designs then took flight and we were able to observe which design flew the furthest. There were some impressive streamlined designs which flew a long way across the Hall! In addition, we have had the Year 3 and 4 Music Event at West Road in Cambridge, Year 4 'History Off The Page' and Year 5 'Harry Potter' visits which were much enjoyed and supporting learning across the curriculum. See below.

We have also been planning exciting opportunities to enrich and extend our curriculum for Summer Term...

KEY DATES COMING UP:

Tuesday 18th April Pupils return to school
(Note: 17th April is a
Training Day)

Summer Term
Stapleford Granary visits
Forest School sessions

April 24th Yr 5 Bikeability

April 26th Yr 2 Pizza Express Visit

April 27th Yr 4
Fitzwilliam Museum
Visit

April 28th Yr 1
Scotsdales Visit



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We are very excited to announce that in the Summer Term we have an exciting opportunity working in partnership with Stapleford Granary. 'Small Grains' is a new pilot education programme developed by Stapleford Granary for pupils at Stapleford Primary School. Small Grains is a responsive programme, inspired by and connected to the ever-changing cultural life of the Granary with a particular focus on live music and visual art. Each class will visit the Granary to participate in:

- A guided age appropriate and child-led visit
- Art workshops connected to exhibitions
- A storytelling show with live music and shadow puppetry

We are delighted to have this opportunity to work with Stapleford Granary and thankful to Kate Romano, Chief Executive and Artistic Director of Stapleford Granary who has made 'Small Grains' possible.

We are also launching Forest School with Mrs Bonham our Forest School Lead enabling each class to complete a Forest School Programme during Summer Term.

More details will follow linked to the details for your child's class.

In anticipation of a busy summer term, we wish our children and families a restful and enjoyable Easter break!



Forest School at Stapleford

"This is the best kind of classroom, It's a journey through time and space, From the smallest seed to the largest tree,

This is a Forest and a learning place. This is the best kind of classroom, Where the seasons don't happen in books.

Where the learning is watching and thinking and talking And everyone notices, everyone looks."

From 'The best Kind of Classroom' by lan MacMillan

KEY DATES COMING UP:

Year 6

Monday 24th April

Sawston Village
College Visit to
Stapleford:
Introduction to
Transition Process with
Mr Sutton, Assistant
Principal - Year 7 Lead

Pupils session in the afternoon and opportunity for parents/carers to meet staff from SVC straight after school.

Year 4 'History Off The Page'



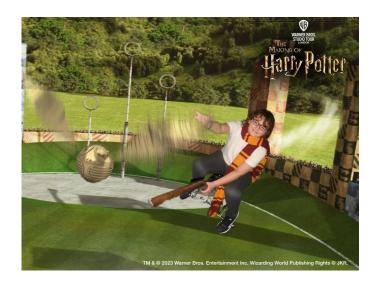






Year 5 Harry Potter Visit









Years 3 & 4 Anglian Learning Music Event

Our pupils joined the other primary schools in Anglia Learning Trust for a day of collaborative music making this Thursday at West Road Concert Hall in Cambridge. It was a privilege as Headteacher to be joined by Governors to watch the presentation which was a culmination of the morning. PRESENTATION

Year 5 Class Assembly

Thank you to Year 5 for an impressive class assembly with highlights from your learning this half term!

We look forward to Year 1, 4, Nursery and Reception class assemblies next term.







Class Assembly Dates, 0915 start

19th May: Year 1

9th June: Year 4

30th June: Nursery

7th July: Reception

Safety on our school site - please use side alleyway to enter the playground.

After half term, we intend to trial the large gates to the playground being **closed** at the beginning and end of the day and request all pedestrians to enter the playground via the side alleyway and side gate. The use of the pathway will provide a safer entry point rather than pupils and parents entering via the car park when cars are parking or Taxis dropping children into school.

We appreciate that this is a change but we would like your support with taking this pathway into the school grounds. *Thank you.*





Important and exciting information about our school meals - Online Food Ordering

From Monday 15th May, parents and carers will be required to pre-order and pay for their child's meals for the week ahead using the online portal from our caterer, Innovate.

A letter with full details will be sent out after the Easter Holidays. Please note Innovate will host a **Parents' Coffee Morning on Wednesday 19th April**,

9 - 10am. They will be able to answer any question or queries you may have on the signing up process, special diets and menus choices.

Earrings

A reminder that earrings are not permitted for PE lessons. Thank you for your support with this important health and safety requirement.

End of Year Production Dates for the Diary

- Wednesday 12th July Matinee Performance
- Thursday 13th July Evening Performance



Book Fair Thank you for your support of our Book Fair. We have raised an impressive £728.98 to spend on books for our school!

PTA Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to the PTA for organising a much enjoyed Easter Egg Hunt!

Mathathon plans for Summer Term - more details to follow....

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Cross Country Event Years 3 and 4 stepped up to represent our school in a Trust-wide Cross-Country Event hosted at Howard Primary School. A great day was had by all and there were some impressive runs!











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