

# STAPLEFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back. We hope that you have enjoyed the half-term break and that you and your families were able to relax and spend time together. Year 6 has made an excellent start to the year and it is encouraging to see the progress they have made already this year both academically and personally as they have taken their Year 6 responsibilities with diligence and pride.

It was lovely to meet some parents face-to-face at our parent consultations this week. If you have not already signed up, there is still availability for on-line meetings next week.

## Topic

We will be continuing our topic on World War Two this half-term as we turn our attention to '**Life on the Home Front**'. We will be learning about how Britain was able to withstand the threat of invasion by Germany and the impact of measures such as evacuation and rationing in Britain at that time. Pupils have shared some wonderful anecdotes from family and friends of their experiences during the war. We will be covering aspects of the war in all areas of the curriculum. Please see the 'Topic Web' for further details.

## Class Assembly

Year 6 will be sharing what they have learnt in our topic this term in their Class Assembly on 21st November at 9.15am. Please do come along and support them.

## SATs

Whilst we are mindful of not putting our Year 6 pupils under any undue pressure regarding SATs, we do feel it is important for them to fully understand the process and how the tests will be administered in school. As such, we will be having a 'dry-run' in the week commencing **25th November**. There will be a parent's information evening regarding SATs at the beginning of new year including ideas for how to support your child at home and suggested revision materials. In the meantime, we encourage parents to support their child by: hearing their child reading every day and checking their understanding of that they have read; practising spellings; completing tasks set on mathematics that link directly with what we have been learning in class and encouraging your child to check any written task homework for accuracy of punctuation and spelling.

## Homework

Children will continue to be given a 'Menu' of homework activities at the beginning of the half term. These activities cover a wide range of curriculum areas and the children are expected to complete an activity from each column to be handed in on **Wednesday** please this half-term. Homework books will be marked and returned the following day. This homework is to be completed alongside the activities set on Mathematics. Homework will increase throughout the year which will include additional Maths, SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar) and Reading task.

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## PE

We have PE on a **Wednesday** (netball) and **Thursday** (dance) this half-term so please ensure your child comes to school in an appropriate P.E. kit on those days.

## Adult support

This year we are lucky to have **Mrs Smithies** and **Mrs Pugh** working with our class at various points during the week (mornings). In addition, **Miss Mason** will be taking the class on a Thursday afternoon during my release time. **Mrs Storer** will teach PSHE on Fridays.

Please don't hesitate to come and see us if you have any questions or concerns. If you would like to make an appointment to see us after school, please contact the school office or drop a note in at the door in the morning so we can arrange a mutually convenient time.

## Transition

All applications for your secondary school should now have been completed.

## Grafham Residential Trip

More information to follow about our exciting residential trip to Grafham Water in June 2025.

## Granary visit

Our granny visit will be on Tuesday 26th November. Parent helpers are always welcome so if you have some time to spare to accompany us, it would be appreciated greatly.

## Parent Consultations

It was lovely to meet some parents face-to-face at our parent consultations this week. If you have not already signed up, there is still availability for on-line meetings next week.

Here's to a great half term!

Best wishes,  
Emma Fewster and Katie Street