

staple ford Newsletter





Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy and vibrant week at Stapleford!

Today we recognised World Mental Health Day by wearing yellow, with reminders about how important it is to look after our well-being. Mental health is a priority for us as a school, not only for our children but for our whole school community.

This week, our staff enjoyed a yoga session as part of our focus on staff well-being, and our children continue to be supported through a range of strategies including the 5 Point Scale, our ELSA provision, and of course, visits from our much-loved well-being dog, Ella.

A big thank you to everyone for embracing these opportunities and for the ongoing support you give.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Best Wishes

pest misues

Jayne Hore

Headteacher



Year 6 Visit to Bletchley Park



The Year 6 children visited Bletchley Park on Tuesday 7th October 2025. This was to enrich the children's learning about World War 2 by finding out about the amazing work of the codebreakers who worked there. Immersive films, interactive displays, museum collections and faithfully recreated WW2 rooms guided the children on a journey to discover the past at Bletchley Park.









Antartica Flags

We're inviting all pupils to take part in an exciting competition to design a flag to send with an explorer to Antarctica! Flags can be hand-drawn or created on the computer and should be bright and colourful to stand out in the icy landscape. If your design is chosen, it will be sent to British Antarctic Survey volunteers in Antarctica, and you'll receive a photograph of your flag on display, along with a certificate. The closing date for entries is 20th October, so get designing!



Harvest Donations

We would really appreciate donations of dried food, cans and similar items until 24th October. Please give these to your child's class teacher or to the school office. All donations will go to the John Huntingdon's Food Bank in Sawston. Please ensure items are in date before donating. John Huntingdon's have also requested items such as toilet roll and dog food

Year 4 Garden

Can You Help? Dur Year 4 children have been busy in the school garden this week, planting spring bulbs to bring a burst of colour after the winter months. It's been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and care as they work together to create a beautiful space for everyone to enjoy.

We would love to invite parents and carers to get involved too! If you're able to spare an hour or two to help out in the garden, your support would make a real difference to the children and their project. We're also on the lookout for any donations of bulbs, gardening supplies, or even gardening expertise. If you have any resources or skills you'd be happy to share, we would be eternally grateful! If you're able to help in any way, please let the school office know. Thank you for supporting our budding gardeners!

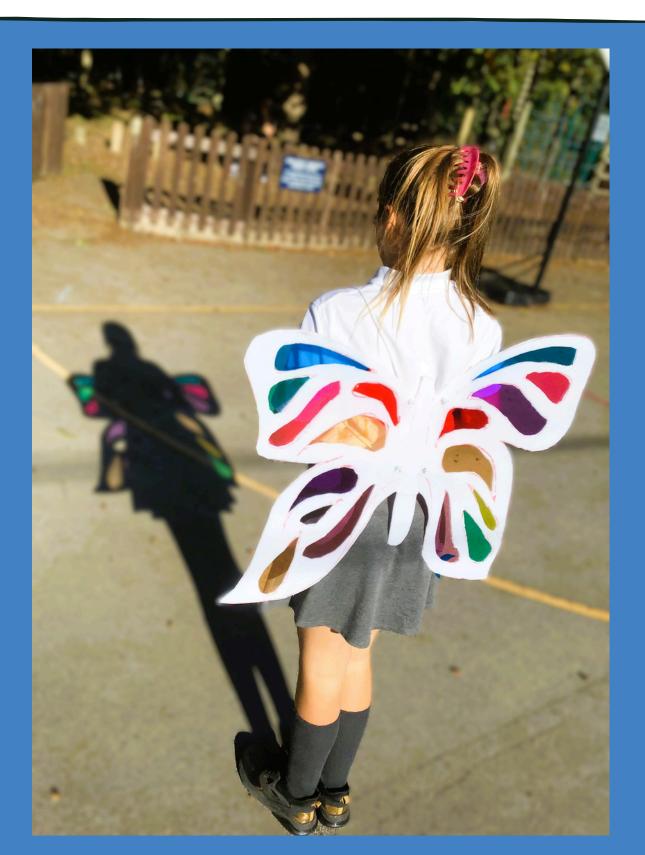






Year 6 Science Investigation

Our Year 6 children have been investigating light and how we see things as part of their science learning. They explored how light travels from a light source to our eyes, or from a light source to an object and then into our eyes, helping us to see. The photo shows one of their practical investigations in action, bringing this concept to life through hands-on learning.



Year 5 Bug Village

Our Year 5 children have been making the most of their playtimes by working together to create intricate bug hotels. They have shown fantastic teamwork, creativity and care for nature as they designed and built their structures. The pictures show some of their brilliant creations, which we hope will be attracting plenty of mini-beast visitors!







SEND Coffee Afternoon

Stapleford Primary School invites you to our first SEND Coffee Afternoon of the year. This will be an opportunity to meet with other parents of children with SEND as well as a chance to have an informal chat with the SEND Team.

This will be an information sharing afternoon, with a chance for you to gain a better understanding of how SEND works at Stapletord Primary School as well as a breakdown of the different services available and the current wait limes for various referrais.

Wednesday October 15th, 2024 2:45pm—3:15pm



SEND Coffee Afternoon Wednesday 15th October, 2.45 - 3.15pm in the Hall.

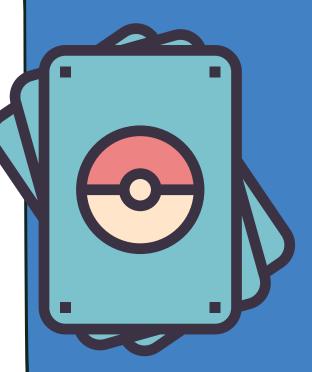
Followed by Open Classrooms 3.30-4.15pm

Toys/Trading Cards

This is just a reminder of our wholeschool rule that children should not bring toys or trading cards (such as Pokemon or football cards) into school.

Unfortunately, we have recently had a few behaviour incidents that have stemmed from items like these being brought into class. To help us maintain a focused and respectful learning environment, I would be very grateful if you could ensure that your child does not bring any toys or trading cards into school.

In some cases, children have been bringing these items in without parental knowledge, so we ask for your support in being extra vigilant in the mornings.



Prayer Meeting

Prayer meeting for the school on Thursday
23rd October at 0900ish (straight after drop
off) at the Harris home - 43 Bury Road
Stapleford. All parents and carers welcome,
feel free to bring pre-schoolers if necessary.
Further details speak to Jo Harris / via school
office.



PTA News

We had a really successful PTA AGM this morning, and we'd like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful committee: Tracey, Rachael, Jenny and Laura - who are continuing in their roles, as well as to everyone who has offered their support. We're excited about the events coming up this term, including the Halloween Hunt (see poster for details) and the opportunity to purchase Christmas cards designed by the children - more information on this will follow soon.



Key Dates:

WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER

Y2 Visit to Audley End House

WEDNESDAY 15[™] OCTOBER SEND Coffee Afternoon - 2.45-3.15pm - All parents welcome

WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER Open Classrooms, 3.30-4.15pm -All parents welcome

THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER

Reception (2026) and Nursery Open Afternoon - pm

MONDAY 20TH -TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

Y5 Burwell Residential Visit

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER Harvest Assembly

MONDAY 27TH OCTOBER - FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER

Half Term

THURSDAY 6TH NOVEMBER Parents Evening (in person)

WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER Parents Evening (virtual)





Anti-bullying week starting with Odd Socks Day (Monday 10th)

WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER Open Classrooms, 3.30-4.15 (all parents welcome)

MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

Staff Training Day

Hello Yellow#



Today we wore yellow to raise awareness of World Mental Health Day.

In assembly we discussed what is meant by mental health, why it is important to think about and strategies to support our mental health. We finished with a sing and a dance to the song "Happy" to boost our mental health at that time:)

Local Community Events





2-4 pm
Saturday 11th October
Cambridge Regional
College

Baby & children's clothes, toys, books & equipment and more!



