

Stanstead News

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Welcome to the Autumn Term newsletter. The idea is to try to share as much as possible about all the lovely things going on at Stanstead. We shall soon be sending out a Key Stage 2 Newsletter.

Children are fully engaged in learning and the school has settled well into the Autumn term. Parents Evening was such a positive experience for all. Thank you for attending and sharing such lovely stories about your child's learning journey.

We are about to launch our new web site soon with a much more focussed slant on making sure our full school diary is there for you to see.

It is half term and the weeks have gone by so quickly. We have been very lucky with the weather. Harvest Celebrations Friday 10.00am, please try to come.

May I just say thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting your children with phonics, Key words, reading and learning number bonds, and times tables. It has a massive impact on the children progress.

Mrs Vladev

Headteacher

Foundation and Key Stage 1 News

Around the school

This term in **Foundation** the children have learnt about superheroes and the heroes in our community. We spent the first part of the term pretending to be different superheroes, we embedded our values of confidence and perseverance with superhero challenges.

In the second half of the term we looked at the community heroes around us. We had a visit from the fire service, the children were able to explore the fire engine and talk to them about the role and responsibilities of a fire officer. The children had fire safety talks, engaged in some role play and watched Miss Lucy and Mrs Liddiard dress up in the uniform!

We have taken the classroom outside and explored the fabulous outdoor areas we have at Stanstead. The children have collected different shaped and coloured leaves, they have made bird feeders with pine cones and made autumn leaf catchers.



Class 1

We are coming towards the end of the first half term in year 1 and despite the big change from Foundation, all the children have settled extremely well. In English the children have enjoyed reading the Jolly Postman, pretending to be characters and we have started to create our own page of the book. We have had lots of practical outdoor learning including Autumn hunts and races to support ordinal numbers. Within our seasons work, the children enjoyed being weather presenters. We are looking forward to welcoming you back after the half term!

Class 2

Throughout this half term, year 2 have been learning all about space. To link this to our science learning, we thought about the question "how did Neil Armstrong keep his body healthy in order to go to space?" In one of our science lessons, we used glitter to show how easily germs can spread. We were shocked at how quickly and easily the germs spread to everyone and everything. We also took part in a tooth brushing game show. During this we had to give instructions to a group of children on how they brush their teeth whilst also answering questions about oral hygiene. We had lots of fun doing this and had lots of laughs. We are looking forward to taking part in more practical, hands on science lessons in Autumn 2.



OUR VISION STATEMENT

Vision - A community which values the contribution of everyone while recognising that children come first.

Mission - By believing in ourselves and working together we will all strive to reach our full potential in body, mind, heart and spirit.

We are committed to making Stanstead Nursery and Primary School a centre of excellence, where staff and pupils share high expectations of themselves and each other and where all individuals are encouraged to achieve at the highest possible level.