



Love, Hope, Community

Newsletter

Christian Value of the Term: Love

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Friday 31st January

Stanford's Got Talent

On Thursday 23rd January we held our own Stanford's Got Talent.

Lots of children from across the school wowed us with their talent. We had singers, dancers, gymnasts, comedians and piano players. They were all amazing and demonstrated such confidence.

Well done to all the children, you were true stars! A big thank you to the Year 6 team of children who were stage hands, in charge of the tech and comperes. You made sure the performance flowed smoothly along.

Many thanks to Mr Woodman for organising the music, mics and sound and helping with the final audition.

A big thank you to Miss Rogers for organising and running the whole performance, it was magical.

Finally, many thanks to FOSS for doing refreshments and organising sweet treats for the performers.



Thank you and Goodbye

It is the end of an era! We are saying a fond farewell to Mrs Finney who is leaving us on the 13th February. She has been part of our school for 20+ years and has had a positive impact on so many children's lives. Her bubbly, positive, nurturing personality will be greatly missed, as will her passion for Forest School and Gardening Club.

We wish her all the best in her new role and school.

Public Speaking

On Tuesday 28th January, Phoebe, Elodie and Dylan S went to St. Amands School to perform a public speech as a team.

The team chose the theme - 'What if we lived on Mars!'

They all had a different role in the team, had to speak for a set amount of time and had to answer an unknown question from the judging panel. They also got to listen to the speeches from the other schools.

After a quick break the judges announced the winners and they won!

Well done Phoebe, Elodie and Dylan S for speaking clearly, loudly and including lots of interesting facts.



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Diary Dates:

Week beg. 3rd February—Children's Mental Health Week 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself' Every day the children will take part in an activity to understand themselves better.

Friday 7th February—Feel Good Friday Children can wear clothes that make them feel comfortable

Friday 7th February—Children's Disco organised by FOSS Foundation, Year 1 & 2 from 5.15pm—6.15pm

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 from 6.30pm—7.30pm

Tickets available on the door at a cost of £3.00 each
Refreshments available for an extra cost

Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th February—Parents Evening Online 3.30pm—6.20pm Booking on parentmail is open.

Tuesday 11th February—Safer Internet Day 'Too good to be true?' The children will be learning about internet safety.

Bags to school. Please drop off any bagged unwanted clothing on Tuesday 11th February between 3.30pm and 6.30pm or Wednesday 12th February between 7am and 9am

Friday 14th February—Sharing Assembly @ 2.15pm in the school hall Please come along to hear about some of the children's learning.

Quotes from our recent questionnaire

Below are some quotes about the strengths of the school from the parental questionnaires sent out in October.

'Amazing staff, subjects and values.'

'Approachable staff and quick to sort out any issues.'

'Teaching staff, environment and ability to help children thrive.'

'Great communication with class teachers. My children have come along great academically since joining.'

'All staff are very approachable.'

'Variety of clubs, school trips.'

Texts for next term

Many thanks to the parents who purchased the key text required by their child this term. It has been really helpful. If you could purchase the book required for next term—that would be amazing. The books needed are:

Year 1— Zog by Julia Donaldson

Year 2— Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett

Year 3— The Promise by Nicola Davies

Year 4— The Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell

Year 5— Brightstorm by Vashti Hardy

Year 6— Hero Twins by Dan Jolley

Please could we request that your child does not read the book at home beforehand because we like to read it in class and make some predictions along the way. Thank you

Communication

Please can I remind you that if your child is ill you need to ring the school office as soon as possible and leave a message on the school answer phone. Please **do not** use Class Dojo to report absence.

If you do not ring the school to report your child's absence then the school office will ring you. If we have no communication your child's absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

If you need to inform the school about something happening that day please ring the school office and they will pass a message on to the relevant staff member. Staff cannot always access Class Dojo or emails during the teaching day.

Please can I also ask you to be realistic about your expectations on staff. Staff do have to teach during the school day and need to set up before school and attend meetings / run clubs after school so they cannot always respond to emails and/or phone calls straight away. They also should not be using their evenings or weekends to respond. They need to have a break from work and enjoy time with their families and friends. Thank you for your understanding

Staff will endeavour to respond to emails within 3-5 working days.

Please remember key dates / events are on the school website calendar, Class Dojo events and down the side of fortnightly newsletters.

Club timetables are posted on the noticeboards and the school website.

FOSS 100 Club

January 100 Club Winners

1st Freya Kasar

2nd Evan Marczylo