



# Newsletter

Christian Value of the Month: Understanding

Stanford in the Vale  
C of E Primary School

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## Exciting News..

We have had four bits of exciting news this week:

Firstly, we would like to congratulate Mrs Webb and her husband who are expecting their first child around Christmas time.

Secondly, we have been awarded our Eco Schools Green Flag again. This lasts for two years and is the fourth consecutive flag we have achieved. A special thanks goes to Eco Club, Gardening Club and Forest School for all their hard work in this area.

Next, Gardening Club achieved a Gold Award for their pallet garden at Wisley.

Finally, Foundation Class entered the Wildlife Trust 5 Days Wild Scrapbook Challenge and were the overall winners for Foundation and Key Stage One. Their prize is a visit from Crocodiles of the World!



### Thank You

Many thanks for the beautiful flowers you sent in for our Stanford Festival Display—they looked magnificent. We hope you got to see the hot air balloon display. Thank you to the children and TAs who created the display.

### Fathers Day Service

Thank you to everyone who attended our Fathers Day Service. It was great to see so many Dads there and hear all the special things about you.

### Book Day

We all enjoyed watching the theatre production 'Wizard of Oz' and completing activities based on the storyline.

### Parental quotes from the recent questionnaire.

'Things are always dealt with very quickly.'

'Lovely community feel – all ages supportive and kind to each other.'

'Hard working, caring staff.'

'Extra opportunities for the children – sport, singing, dancing.'

'Give children a good understanding of what is expected in terms of morals and behaviour.'

### Year 3 / 4 Quadkids

On Tuesday our Year 3/4 Quadkids team took part in the Vale Final after doing so well in the Wantage Competition. There were ten schools taking part at Tilsley Park, Abingdon. The children had to run, a long distance and a short distance, throw a vortex howler and do a long jump. They did exceptionally well, even in the heat! The team consisted of Henry, Heath, Rhys, Jack, Ryan, Bella, Azaria, Kayleigh, Jade and Grace. Well done everyone.

## Bingo Race

On Sunday 19th June FOSS organised a Bingo Race at Stanford Football Ground as part of Stanford Festival. It was a great event, although a little hot! Everyone really enjoyed running around the ground and crossing off their numbers. It was great to see young and old taking part and supporting each other. Many thanks to FOSS for organising the event, especially Richard. The event raised £362.30.

Working Together,



Achieving Together

### Diary Dates:

**Week Beg. 3rd July— Sports and Science Week** (more info. to follow)

**Friday 7th July—Sports Day** (info. sent)

**Friday 7th July—Reports sent home**

**Wednesday 12th July—Class Swap Day**

**Thursday 13th July—Thank You Lunch** (invitation only)

**Thursday 13th July—Open Evening 5.30—7.00**—Pop in and have a look at some of the marvellous work the children have completed.

**Friday 14th July—Non-Uniform Day**—Please send in a donation for the Summer Fete raffle or tombola.

**Saturday 15th July—Stanford School Summer Fete from 2.00pm—5.00pm**

**Monday 17th July and Tuesday 18th July—Year 6 Production of Robin Hood in the School Hall at 6.00pm**

**Thursday 20th July—Leaver's Service at St Denys' Church @ 6.30pm**—For all current Year 6 and their families

**Friday 21st July—School finishes at 12.05**

### Gardening Club

Gardening Club did really well to be chosen as a finalist for RHS Gardening Club of the Year—they were the only Primary School Team to get to this stage. Unfortunately we did not win but the team will receive £250 in gardening vouchers and a cold frame.

**NEEDED!!!!!**

If you have any of the following items, please send them into school at your earliest convenience:

Beads, buttons, ribbon and wool. These are needed for DT / Art work please

Empty wine bottles and teddy bears are needed for the summer fete please.

**Chicken Helpers**

Please can you help look after the chickens over the next few months. Currently I have had five parents reply to my email. We need your support! Thank you.

**Parent Readers**

We would really benefit from some more parent readers. If you feel you could spare a couple of hours a week please speak to the relevant class teacher about a mutually convenient time.

**SPS Music Event**

Eight schools representing the SPS Partnership met at Stockham School for an afternoon of singing. After joining in a variety of warm-up exercises and songs, each school performed a song to the other schools. Stanford were represented by Year 6, who sang one of the songs that they are learning for their end of year production. They sang with such volume and enthusiasm and remembered all of the choreography too - well done to all of them.

# Summer Reading Challenge

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

## ANIMAL AGENTS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2017

[animal-agents.org.uk](http://animal-agents.org.uk)

**Get ready for an awesome, animal-tastic reading challenge at your local library!**

**Wanted! Eagle-eyed children to solve the strange goings on in Oxfordshire Libraries this summer.**

From 15<sup>th</sup> July to 16<sup>th</sup> September children across Oxfordshire can join the Animal Agents for the Summer Reading Challenge 2017. These furry, slippery and scaly friends are specially trained to use their skills and natural instincts to unravel the mystery – with a huge helping of fun along the way!

Read at least six library books of your choice over the summer holidays. As you read, you will collect stickers to help narrow down the suspects. Complete the challenge to crack the case and get your own wristband, medal and certificate.

Join up at your library. It's fun! It's free! It's local!

... there will be fantastic new books and activities at the library

throughout the summer holidays. There's a website to add to the fun too!  
[animal-agents.org.uk](http://animal-agents.org.uk)

**Test your detective skills!**

## School Choir

On Saturday 17th June, the school choir sang at the village festival. They sang three songs with a French theme. They did so well and sounded beautiful. We hope you got to hear them.



On Thursday 22nd June, the choir went to Dorchester Abbey alongside seven other schools to sing a variety of songs alongside a live band. The singing sounded wonderful, the venue was beautiful and the sun shone upon us. It was a great afternoon and evening. Well done to all the children and Mrs Turner for all their hard work. My particular favourites were 'Believe' and 'World In Union.'