



Newsletter

Value of the Month: Forgiveness

Stanford in the Vale
C of E Primary School

Year 18/19 Issue 3

Friday 5th October

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Service or sent in donations for the harvest boxes. It was lovely to see such a full church.

A big well done to Foundation for their first ever church service with the school, they did a brilliant job.

Well done to all the children and staff for their hard work. Thank you to the St Denys Team for all their help with the service.

Football Tournament

On Wednesday there was a year 5 and 6 tournament held at Boundary Park.

There were 6 teams across 2 groups. In our group we had West Oxford and Harwell; we had to play both teams twice.

Firstly we played out a goalless draw against West Oxford in an even match, followed by a comfortable 3-0 win over Harwell. Next up was the rematch v West Oxford, and in an end to end game, Stanford secured a 3-2 win. Our last group game was against Harwell and again we repeated our earlier score line with a 3-0 victory.

These results meant we topped the group, with 3 wins and a draw and a place in the final against Thomas Reade.

In the final we produced our best performance throughout the whole team, controlling the game and coming out with a 2-0 victory. Reported by Alex

Cross Country

On Friday 28th September, 4 teams from our school attended the cross country qualifiers at Wantage Park..... and what an afternoon we had! All the children involved performed exceptionally well, pushing themselves to the limit and supporting one another brilliantly.

Our Year 5/6 boys team managed to secure first place overall, with all four members of the team ranking in the top 20! This particular team will be going forward to the next round of the competition in the near future.

It was a brilliant event and all involved should be extremely proud of their achievements.



Diary Dates:

Thursday 11th October—Year 6 Parents Evening (parentmail message sent)

Friday 12th October—Children’s Disco organised by FOSS (info. sent)

Week beg. 15th October—Year 6 PGL Trip

Monday 15th October & Tuesday 16th October—Foundation to Year 5 Parents Evening (parentmail message sent)

Tuesday 16th October—Bags to School drop off from 3.00pm to 7.00pm in the school hall

Wednesday 17th October—Bags to School drop off from 7.30am to 9.00am in the school hall

Week beg. 22nd October—Half Term

Monday 29th October—INSET Day—school closed to the children

Week beg. 5th November—Remembrance of WWI (more info. to follow)

Wednesday 7th November—FOSS AGM @ 7.45pm in the school hall Please attend and support your child’s experience at the school. There will be refreshments.

Friday 9th November—Remembrance Service at the memorial at 10.45am

Tuesday 13th November—Community Lunch @ 1.30pm (invitation only)

Friday 16th November—Children in Need. Please wear pyjamas for a £1 donation and bring in change for cake/trail



Christian Value Ambassadors

Last month, our Christian Value was: Happiness
The two children nominated as ambassadors were:

Lewis in Year 2 (Buttercup Class)

Bella in Year 6 (Forget-me-not Class)

This month’s Christian Value is: Forgiveness. We will be considering when and why we should say sorry, the importance of forgiving and starting again and how Jesus teaches us to forgive others.

Working Together,



Achieving Together



Gooseberry Planet

Governors

The latest minutes are now available on the school website.

You will have received ballot papers today for our parent governor position. Please return by Thursday 18th October.

Goodbye and Thank You

We are saying a fond farewell to Mrs Sue Walton and Mrs Kanta Mistry at the end of this half term. We wish them all the best for the future and thank them for all their hard work and commitment to the children during their maternity covers.

Parents Evenings

Please ensure you book a slot via parentmail to allow you to meet your child's class teacher and discuss their progress.

Inconsiderate Parking

I am continually being contacted about parents parking on grass verges and pavements and across driveways. I was also told one parent was verbally abusive to the household owner when asked to move. Please can you park considerately—remember we can use the village hall car park which would save congestion, make it safer for the children and give you a bit of exercise.

Appointments in school time

Please remember we do need to see the appointment card / letter.

Gooseberry Parent 'Actions' of the week

Live streaming (viewing, creating or broadcasting 'real-time' video content online) is popular amongst children but some content might be upsetting or inappropriate for your child to view. Knowing what your child is viewing, creating or sharing online can help you to manage how your child uses their technology and may help you reduce the risks to your child's safety and well-being online. Live streaming platforms include Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, Snapchat, Skype, Live.ly, Omegle and Periscope. Some only allow a limited number of people to view the content; others are open to all. For most of these platforms the minimum user age is 13.

Key Messages: Ensure that your child is using age appropriate apps, review and manage privacy settings to help control who can view content and connect with your child, disable comments, check the suitability of any content before it is viewed or shared, watch content together, supervise the content being created.

Book Club Extra

David Walliams and Roald Dahl are two of the most popular authors among our book club members. We are discussing what similarities they have and anything we don't like about them.

These are two newly published books we are also reading.

The Darkest Dark Astronaut Chris Hadfield. Illustrated by the Fan Brothers.
Book Blurb.

This is a book about a boy who loves rockets and planets and pretends to be an astronaut in space. The only problem is that he is afraid of the dark. When he sees the Apollo 11 Moon Landing on TV, he is inspired to overcome this fear and become an explorer of the darkest dark.

Anyone who has ever been afraid of the dark, or had a child who is, will empathize with the way Chris behaves and be inspired by how he went on to explore such amazing opportunities that life offered him.

The illustrations are exceptional too.

Author information.

Chris Hadfield has taken part in three missions to the International Space Station and has written two adult books, *An Astronaut's guide to life on Earth* and *You are here: Around the World in 92 minutes*. He was recently on site at Harwell talking about travel in space. He encourages people to overcome their darkest fears.

Yours Sincerely Giraffe. Megumi Iwasa. Illustrated by Jun Takabatake.
Book Blurb

Giraffe lives in the African savanna, which provides all his material needs. He has one problem and that is loneliness. He has no special friend to share things with. One day he gets the chance to write a letter that will be delivered by a bored pelican to someone on the far side of the horizon. This is the beginning of a wonderful friendship between the giraffe, the pelican and a penguin, through letter writing, where they exchange news and information about their lives and provide that excitement and friendship that had been missing.

Author Information.

Megumi Iwasa was born in Tokyo, Japan. She studied graphic art at Tama Art University there and has worked there since 1986.