



Newsletter

Christian Value of the Month: Forgiveness

Stanford in the Vale
C of E Primary School

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Working together

Many thanks to everyone for working with us to keep all the children and staff safe during these difficult times.

Parents evening via zoom was a first but it seemed to work really well. It would be good to get your feedback on virtual parents evening meetings and whether these should continue. Many thanks to all the teachers for managing this new way of working.

After half term some of the teachers may be changing the way they seat the children to help support them better with their learning. Therefore instead of sitting in rows they may sit in groups. They will still have their own chair, table space and resources.

We are pleased to say we have appointed two experienced teachers to cover Mrs Warner-King's and Mrs Webb's maternity leaves. Mrs Elizabeth Fitzpatrick will be teaching in Year 3 alongside Mrs Watkin and Mrs Lisa Scanlon will teach Year 1 alongside Mrs Scott. Mrs Fitzpatrick will start in January after the Christmas holiday and Mrs Scanlon will start in February after the half term holiday. We look forward to welcoming them to our school and working with them.

Chickens

Thank you to everyone who has kindly offered to look after the chickens. We now have another two new chickens—Custard Cream and Bourbon, which means we have a total of eight chickens. I still need help looking after the chickens on the 24th and 25th October, 31st October and 1st November, 14th and 15th November, 5th and 6th December. If you can help on these dates please email me at: headteacher.3240@stanford.oxon.sch.uk



Christian Value Ambassadors

This month, our Christian Value has been

FORGIVENESS

The children nominated as ambassadors are:

William in Sunflower Class

Melody in Snowdrop Class

Tessa in Bluebell Class

Freya in Orchid Class

Robin in Buttercup Class

Joseph in Poppy Class

Tamsin in Forget-me-not Class

Next month's Christian Value is: Friendship. We will be considering the qualities of a friend, who are friends are and how we should treat friends.

Working Together,



Achieving Together

Diary Dates:

Friday 23rd October—INSET Day. School closed to children

Week Beg. 26th October—HALF TERM

Monday 2nd November—Back to School

Week beg. 9th November—Remembrance and Anti-Bullying Week during the week the children will complete activities to understand the bravery of people who fought in the wars and what it means to be a good friend.

Wednesday 11th November—Remembrance Service at 10.50am this will only be for the children in school because of keeping bubbles safe

Friday 13th November—Children in Need Please wear your own clothes and bring in £1.00 for the charity. Also bring in some coins for the money trail.

Friday 13th November—Sharing Assembly Each class will record their aspect of the assembly and put it on their class web page.

Monday 16th November—Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying Week. Please wear odd socks for the day.

Week Commencing 23rd November—Christmas Art Week During the week the children will be making a variety of Christmas crafts.

The Christmas Plays this year will be recorded and put on the school website—watch this space!

100 Club

Thank you to everyone who entered the 100 Club this year. In total 56 tickets have been sold. Which means from October—June the 1st prize = £16.80 and 2nd prize = £11.20. In July the prize fund = £56.00

Thank you to Maria Barnett for organising this fund raiser.

October Winners:

1st = Lucy Condor

2nd = Jessica Clark

Bags to School

Thank you to everyone who dropped off their unwanted clothes. £328.20 was raised for the school.

FOSS AGM

Please support the FOSS AGM on the 17th November at 8.00pm.

Hair Dye

Please can I remind parents that children should not come to school with their hair dyed. It can cause issues between children and detract children's attention from their learning. Thank you for working with us .

Halloween

With Halloween approaching at the end of half term I would like to remind you about keeping yourself safe and others safe. With COVID this year it is not recommended to take sweets off others or from a bowl left on a door step, as you don't know who or how many people may have touched them. Government guidelines also state you should not go around in groups of bigger then six and must still social distance. With school starting two days after Halloween please continue to keep us all safe.

After School Clubs

My dedicated staff have decided to run some After School Clubs from after half term—week beginning the 9th November. We hope to bring some more normality to our children's lives. For these clubs to run safely they will only be able to run for single year groups and will be limited in numbers. They will initially run for five weeks.

The clubs that will be operating are:

- Colouring Club for Year 1 run by Mrs Cook Wednesday 2.45—3.45
- Eco Club for Year 2 run by Mrs Dickinson Thursday 2.45—3.45
- Gardening Club for Year 3 run by Mrs Finney Wednesday 3.15-4.15
- STEM Club for Year 3 run by Mrs Watkin Thursday 3.15-4.15
- Reading Club for Year 4 run by Mrs Scott Thursday 3.00—3.45
- Football Club for Year 4 run by Mr Ash Monday 3.00-4.15
- Netball Club for Year 5 run by Mrs Edwards Monday 3.15-4.00
- Computer Club for Year 5 run by Mr Scott Wednesday 3.15-4.00
- Sewing Group for Year 6 run by Mrs Adamson—Invitation Only—Thursday 3.00-4.00
- Cricket Club for Year 6 run by Mrs Willis Thursday 3.00-4.00

Please let me know as soon as possible via email if you would like your child to attend one of the clubs above and I will let you know if they have a place by Wednesday 4th November.

All clubs will leave out of their current exit at the appropriate time.

**I would like to wish you all a safe and relaxing half term.
I would also like to thank all the staff for their hard work and positivity during these challenging times.**