



Stapleford Church of England VA Primary School

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February Newsletter

Stapleford Primary School Choir – London O2 Arena

Tuesday 6th February 2018



WOW! Well done to all of the children who performed in the amazing choir concert at the London O2 last Tuesday. You were all incredible. What a day out! Your behaviour throughout the 12 hour working day, including the 3 hour rehearsal, was delightful. We are all very proud of you. The evening performance blew everyone away. It really was magical and another night to remember. Over 7950 children and teachers all singing together was such an uplifting experience. A huge thank you to must go to Mrs Wilson, Mrs Cutler and Mrs Cowell for making it all happen. Thank you also to everyone from our community that attended. You really helped to make it a special occasion.

Guidance Notes for Parents and Guardians

School Uniform

The school has an attractive uniform. It consists of:-

For GIRLS	For BOYS
<p><u>Winter Uniform (September – April)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School navy blue sweatshirts <i>or</i> cardigan with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Grey or black (any shade) trousers, skirt or dress• White Blouses and Shirts• White polo-shirts• Navy/White/Grey Socks• Navy Tights• Navy P.E. Shorts• School white P.E. T-shirt with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Black leather school shoes• Trainers (for P.E.)• Long hair is to be tied back with a blue or black hair band• Small stud earrings are the only form of jewellery permitted (these are to be removed for P.E.)• No nail varnish <p><u>Summer Uniform (April – July)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pale blue Gingham or Striped Dress• School navy blue sweatshirts <i>or</i> cardigan with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Grey or black (any shade) shorts/culottes, trousers, skirt or dress• White Blouses and Shirts• White polo-shirts• Navy/White/Grey Socks• Navy P.E. Shorts• School white P.E. T-shirt with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Black leather school shoes• Trainers (for P.E.)• Sun Hat• Long hair is to be tied back with a blue or black hair band• Small stud earrings are the only form of jewellery permitted (these are to be removed for P.E.)• No nail varnish	<p><u>Winter Uniform (September – April)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School navy blue sweatshirts <i>or</i> cardigan with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Grey or black (any shade) trousers or shorts• White Shirts• White polo-shirts• Navy/White/Grey Socks• Navy P.E. Shorts• School white P.E. T-shirt with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Black leather school shoes• Trainers (for P.E.)• Long hair is to be tied back with a blue or black hair band• Small stud earrings are the only form of jewellery permitted (these are to be removed for P.E.) <p><u>Summer Uniform (April – July)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School navy blue sweatshirts <i>or</i> cardigan with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Grey or black (any shade) trousers or shorts• White Shirts• White polo-shirts• Navy/White/Grey Socks• Navy P.E. Shorts• School white P.E. T-shirt with logo (available from School Trends Website)• Black leather school shoes• Trainers (for P.E.)• Sun Hat• Long hair is to be tied back with a blue or black hair band• Small stud earrings are the only form of jewellery permitted (these are to be removed for P.E.)

You will also need:

- Apron/Art shirt
- P.E. bag (available from the school office)
- Book bag – Reception and above only (available from the school office)
- A4 lever arch ring binder (any colour)
- Socks for PE if tights are being worn

Dates to Remember – NEXT HALF TERM

Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
Tuesday 6 th March	Parent consultations 3.30-5.00pm
Wednesday 7 th March	Mothering Sunday Church Service 9.15am
Thursday 8 th March	Parent consultations 4.30-7.00pm
Monday 12 th March	Class 4 Assembly 9.00am
Monday 19 th March	Class 1 Assembly 9.00am
Friday 23 rd March	Work Sharing 2.30pm-3.00pm
Monday 26 th March	Class 2 Assembly 9.00am
Thursday 29 th March	Easter Service in church 9.15am Break up for the Easter holidays 2.00pm



PE KIT

In a recent check it became clear that many children did not have a PE Kit at school. Many thought that their outdoor kit they had brought in to enable them to use the muddy field at lunchtime was indeed their PE Kit. This is not the case and children will not be permitted to wear this muddy clothing for PE. The full list of required school uniform is listed above but to clarify any confusion regarding shoes:

- Children are to wear black leather school shoes to school.
- Children need a clean pair of trainers for PE.
- OPTIONAL – Children in Key Stage 2 are permitted to change into outdoor kit at lunch time so they can use the field. This kit is likely to get very muddy so don't plan on using these trainers for PE.

We will be checking that all children have a NAMED PE Kit at school during the first week back after half term.

BEING LATE FOR SCHOOL HAS A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

CHOIR PERFORMANCES

Music Festival, Ware Drill Hall, 21st March



Link to buy your tickets [Click here to buy your £1 school lottery ticket](#)

UNIFORM

Please ensure all items of clothing are named so we can return them to you when lost.

Communication:

The school office is open between 8.30am – 3pm and there is also a great deal of information on the school website www.stapleford.herts.sch.uk.

Don't forget that we are on  - follow us @staplefordPS

We will aim to send out your newsletter in the first half of each month.

Church Services

Mothering Sunday service - 7th March 9:15am

Easter Service - 29th March 9:15am

Parents & carers are invited to join us for this church service.

Dance Festival - Hertford Theatre

8:00pm Wednesday 21st February

Tickets available from the school office

Year 6 Bikeability Cycle Training



Cycle training has been booked for Year 6 for the w/c 4th June 2018. More details to follow nearer the time.



No unauthorised entry



All visitors must report to reception

Recycling Messages from Mr Hart (Site Manager)

FREECYCLE - Free this month we have acquired:

- 2 x 6ft Bookcases
- 1 x 2 Drawer Filing cabinet
- 1 x Computer Station
- 1 x Electric lawn mower
- 1 x Electric Strimmer
- 5 x Railway sleepers for the gardens

Every little helps. Please think of us before you throw things away.

Painting Party:

It has been a little chilly for painting recently but the plan is that every Tuesday morning of this term (weather permitting) I will be painting the blue fencing around the KS1 playground and the Foundation Stage gardens. This is a big job and many hands make light work. **If you are able to spare a few hours to help let me or the office know the day before and we can break the back of this job together.** Mr Shillito has promised that there will be tea and biscuits to keep us all going.

News From - The Stapleford School Friends Association (SSFA)



If anyone else is interested in joining the friendly SSFA team or just wants to offer a helping hand at any events, please do get in touch by emailing ssfacommittee@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you. You really can make a difference.

DAILY READING

Help your child to understand what they have read by asking them questions about the story.

Reading is more than just saying the words.

WEATHER WARNING

The procedures for school closures due to severe weather are:

The school will notify parents/carers via the school website and a text message if the school is going to be closed. **It is therefore important that the contact details we hold for you are correct.** If your contact details change please let the school office know.

The school will also use the County Council's Closure notification system. This information will be communicated on local radio stations. The local authority web page can be found here: [School Closures Website](#).

In the event of a snow closure please check this information daily.

Every effort will be made to keep the school open but in certain circumstances this may not be possible due to health and safety concerns.

World Book Day

On Thursday 1st March we will be celebrating everything to do with reading as part of World Book Day. All children, staff, helpers, governors and parents are encouraged to embrace the day by dressing up as a character from a fiction book they particularly enjoyed reading.

Monday 12 th - 16 th February	HALF TERM
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day
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Thursday 29 th March	Easter Church Service – 9.15am – Everyone is welcome Break up for the Easter holidays 2.00pm
Friday 30 th March - Monday 16 th April	Easter holidays
Monday 16 th April	Children back to school
Friday 20 th April	Ice Cream Friday (run by the School Council) commences – Proceeds go towards the school library
Monday 23 rd April	Class 3 Assembly 9.00am
Monday 14 th May	Mon-Thurs SATS week
Friday 25 th May	Break up for half term 3pm
Monday 28 th May – Friday 1st June	Half Term
	PLEASE NOTE: KS2 Sports Day will be hosted by Puller Primary School in 2018. We will let you know the date as soon as we have it.
Wednesday 6 th June	Sex Education talk for Year 6 Parents – 3.15pm
Friday 8 th June	Work Sharing 2.30pm-3.00pm
W/c Monday 11 th June	Mon-Fri Year 1 Phonics Screening checks
Monday 18 th June	Class 4 Assembly 9.00am
Friday 22 nd June	INSET DAY (School Closed)
Monday 25 th June	INSET DAY (School Closed)
Friday 6 th July	School BBQ and Year 6 Leaver's Party (FAMILIES OF ALL YEAR GROUPS WELCOME) – Date and time TBC
Tuesday 10 th July	KS2 Performance -TBC
Wednesday 11 th July	KS2 Performance -TBC
Thursday 12 th July	Transition (Moving Up) Day
Friday 13 th July	Work sharing 2.30-3.00pm
Friday 20 th July	Leaver's service in church – time TBC Leaver's picnic – Date and time TBC Break up for the Summer holidays 2.00pm ☺

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Monday 4th September – Tuesday 19th December		Thursday 4th January – Thursday 29th March	Monday 16th April – Friday 20th July
October Half Term Monday 23rd October – Friday 27th October		February Half Term Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February	May Half Term Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June
Occasional Days (School Closed) Wednesday 30th August INSET Days Thursday 31st August Friday 1st September		INSET Days Wednesday 3rd January	INSET Days Friday 22nd June Monday 25th June Occasional Day (School Closed) Monday 23rd – Friday 27th July

2018/2019	Autumn 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2019
Monday 3rd September – Friday 21st December		Monday 7th January – Friday 5 th April	Monday 23rd April – Wednesday 24th July
October Half Term Monday 29th October – Friday 2 nd November		February Half Term Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February	May Half Term Monday 27th May – Friday 31 st May
INSET Days (School Closed to Pupils) Monday 3 rd September Tuesday 4th September			INSET Days (School Closed to Pupils) Friday 28th June Monday 22 nd July Tuesday 23 rd July Occasional Day (School Closed) Wednesday 24 th July