



Stapleford Primary School

(Church of England, Voluntary Aided)



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June 2021 Newsletter

COVID-19

We're now at a crucial time in our fight against coronavirus. In line with Government announcement, delaying the end of lockdown, we're asking everyone to not drop your guard just yet – Covid-19 is still here.

At school we will continue to work to the guidance for schools and the COVID plan we have in place. Children will remain in their class bubbles until the end of term and the other measures such as the all of the desks facing forward and staggered start/finish times will also stay the same. Should they still be necessary in September new bubbles will be created as the children transition to their new classes.

Sports Day – The children will participate in a school sports day before the end of term. We will not be competing against the three other Primary Schools in our Sports Cluster Group this year. Our children have been placed into teams and will complete their sports activities and races within their own bubbles with only one class using the school field and equipment at a time. The activities will take place over several days to allow for the equipment to be cleaned before the next class uses it. When all of the events are complete the team points will be added together and a winning team announced. Unfortunately, parents and carers etc. are not able to attend Sports Day this year. The classes will complete their events on the following days:

- Class 1: Wednesday 23rd June (afternoon)
- Class 2: Friday 25th June (afternoon)
- Class 3: Friday 25th June (morning)
- Class 4: Wednesday 23rd June (morning)

Remember hands, face, space, fresh air - There are simple things you can do right now to continue to protect yourself, your family and your school community:

Testing – Parents and carers of children in nursery, school or college should also take regular rapid tests along with the rest of the community, by doing this we can all help to reduce the spread of the virus. You can find your nearest collection site or order online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/rapidtest

Please do not send children back into education if they are sick or feel unwell – be cautious. This remains the same for all illnesses not just COVID-19.

If you or your child/ren are in direct contact with someone that has tested positive you must follow the guidance and self-isolate. Children are not able to return to school until the end of the isolation period.

If you or your child/ren receive a positive result from a rapid test you must begin self-isolating immediately, not attend school and book a confirmatory PCR test.

If you or your child/ren have symptoms (**new, continuous cough, change or loss of taste or smell or a temperature**) you must self-isolate immediately and book a PCR test at: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

If you need help to self-isolate contact HertsHelp for advice and practical help with things like getting food and medicine and accessing financial support. Call 0300 123 4044, email info@hertshelp.net or visit www.hertshelp.net

Safeguarding at Stapleford Primary School

- The safety and wellbeing of your child/children is a priority for every member of our team. Your key contacts if ever you have a concern are listed below. However, you can always pass on information to any member of staff.
- The team can be contacted by telephone (01992) 583341
- Alternatively, you may wish to contact Children's Services: 0300 123 4043 Option 1

Key Safeguarding Contacts



James Shillito

Head Teacher & Designated Senior Lead (DSL)
for Child Protection



Seema Mali

Deputy Designated Senior Lead (DDSL)
for Child Protection



Reverend Jenny Gray

Safeguarding Governor



Alun Broadwood-White

Chair of Governors

Please report any concerns or worries you have to any member of staff in the school you feel comfortable speaking to. We all have a role to play in looking after each other.

End of year reports

Teachers are currently writing end of year reports. These will be coming home in the penultimate week of term.

Early Years – APPLY NOW

Our excellent Early Years has spaces for September. If you know anyone with young children that is currently looking for a pre-school, please point them in our direction. Thank you.

Sunny Days

Now that the warmer weather has arrived ☺ it is essential that all children bring a water bottle and a named sun hat to school. On very hot days please apply sun cream before arriving at school. If your child does not have a sun hat they may be asked to play in the shade.



RNLI SAFETY INFORMATION



Did you know that each year the RNLI rescue more holiday makers, who don't normally live by the sea, than residents that live next to it all year round?

Take Care This Summer

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 stapleforddfa@gmail.com

Thank you for supporting the SSFA events. You really are making a difference

Breakfast Club and After School Club

To ensure we stay within our staff to pupil ratios **ALL** children wanting to use wraparound care must be booked into Breakfast Club and After School Club by 3pm the day before. These sessions must be paid for in advance.

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.

Bikeability

Year 6 will complete the Bikeability Level 2 training during the week commencing 28th June 2021.

Families are able to drop the bikes at school on Wednesday 23rd, Thursday 24th and Friday 25th June. All bikes and helmets will be stored within the school building. Alternatively, bikes can be brought into school on the morning of the 28th June.

Please ensure that you have checked the bikes are in good working order and that your child's helmet fits correctly before the start of the training.

eSafety

Online safety tips for parents of primary school children 6-10 Year Olds

Checklist

Put yourself in control

Make use of the parental controls on your home broadband and any internet-enabled devices. You can find out how at your broadband provider's website or by visiting internetmatters.org

Search safely

Use safe search engines such as swiggle.org.uk or kids-search.com. Safe search settings can also be activated on Google and other search engines as well as YouTube. You can find out more at google.co.uk/safetycentre.

Agree boundaries

Be clear what your child can and can't do online - where they can use the internet, how much time they can spend online, the sites they can visit and the type of information they can share. Agree with your child when they can have a mobile phone or tablet.

Over 65 % of parents are most concerned about their 6-10 viewing inappropriate content online*



Explore together

The best way to find out what your child is doing online is to ask them to tell you about it. Encourage them to use devices in communal areas so you can see what sites they're visiting and share with them.

Check if it's suitable

The age ratings that come with games, apps, films and social networks are a good guide to whether they're suitable for your child. The minimum age limit is 13 for several social networking sites, including Facebook and Instagram.

Learn about it:

Teach your child some simple rules

- Make sure your child knows not to share personal information like their phone number or email address online
- Only talk to real life friends or family if they are on sites with a social media element like Moshi Monsters or Club Penguin
- Use privacy settings whenever they exist to keep their information private
- Be a good online friend and don't say nasty things even if it's just a joke
- Use secure and legal sites to download music and games
- Check attachments and pop ups for viruses before they click or download anything
- Use Public Friendly WiFi when they're out and about to filter inappropriate content
- Help them to better understand the different online platforms they use and judge the quality and reliability of online resources

Talk about it:

Tips for a meaningful conversation

- Start conversations when your children won't be embarrassed, for example in the car going home from school
- Ask them for advice on how to do something online and use this as a conversation starter
- Make sure they know they can come to you if they're upset by something they've seen online
- Be sensitive and praise them when they share their online experiences with you
- If your child comes to you with an issue, stay calm and listen without judging them
- Talk about online grooming as you would stranger danger and explain that people they meet online might not be who they say they are
- Ask them about things online which might make them uncomfortable



Stay safe at secondary school

Exposure to some of these issues increases when children move up to secondary school so make sure your child is prepared - find out more with our pre-teens age guide at internetmatters.org/ageguide/10-13

Deal with it

You can find out where to get help and advice on the Report it page of internetmatters.org, where we include information on how to report problems - and which relevant organisations and agencies to turn to.

On this page, we also provide information on how to deal with any specific issues you may encounter with your child, such as finding inappropriate content and cyberbullying.

Know this stuff matters, but don't know where to turn?

Internet Matters is a free online resource for every parent in the UK. We'll show you the best ways to protect your children online - with information, advice and support on all the big e-safety issues.

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PLEASE PARK SAFELY AND CONSIDERATELY.



Link to buy your tickets

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



Stapleford Primary School Term Dates

For the academic year September 2020 to July 2021

We would like to remind parents and carers to ensure that holidays are booked **outside of term time** – Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Term starts – Thursday 3rd September

Half term – Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October

Term ends - 2:00pm Friday 18th December

SPRING TERM 2021

Term starts - Tuesday 5th January

Half term - Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February

Term ends - 2:00pm Friday 26th March

SUMMER TERM 2021

Term starts - Monday 12th April

May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 3rd May

Half term Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June

Term ends – 2:00pm Friday 16th July

INSET Days and Occasional Day (School closed)

INSET Day 1 – Wednesday 2nd September 2020

INSET Day 2 – Monday 4th January 2021

INSET Day 3 - Monday 19th July 2021

INSET Day 4 – Tuesday 20th July 2021

INSET Day 5 – Wednesday 21st July 2021

Occasional Day – Thursday 22nd July 2021



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Half term – Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October

Term ends - 2:00pm Friday 17th December

SPRING TERM 2022

Term starts – Thursday 6th January

Half term - Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February

Term ends - 2:00pm Friday 1st April

SUMMER TERM 2022

Term starts – Tuesday 19th April

May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 2nd May

Half term Monday 30th May – 3rd June

Term ends – 2:00pm Friday 22nd July

INSET Days and Occasional Day (School closed)

INSET Day 1 – Wednesday 1st September 2021

INSET Day 2 – Monday 20th December 2021

INSET Day 3 – Tuesday 21st December 2021

INSET Day 4 – Wednesday 5th January 2022

INSET Day 5 – Friday 24th June 2022

Occasional Day – Monday 27th June 2022