



## List of activities that enhance our curriculum:

- **Air Ambulance assembly:** People who help us are welcomed whenever they have the time to deliver an assembly.
- **Bikeability:** The Bikeability Level 2 course aims to develop riders' skills and confidence for cycling on single-lane roads and simple junctions with mostly moderate motor traffic flows and prepares riders for cycling on more complex, often busier or faster roads and junctions.
- **Bug hotel:** By providing a variety of habitats for different mini-beasts the children have been able to observe and learn about each of the species that have moved in.
- **Chick hatching:** Children monitor eggs until they hatch and then care for the chicks. Watching them and learning about how they grow is something that all of our pupils have enjoyed.
- **Church Services:** Throughout the year the whole school community attend many church services at Stapleford Church. These services include:
  - i) Harvest Festival
  - ii) Remembrance Service
  - iii) KS1 Nativity
  - iv) KS2 Christmas Carol Service
  - v) Christmas Service
  - vi) Christingle Service
  - vii) Epiphany Service
  - viii) Ash Wednesday Service
  - ix) Mothering Sunday Service
  - x) Easter Service
  - xi) Pentecost Service
  - xii) Year 6 Leavers Service
- **Class trips:** All classes attend one class trip per year linked to a subject or topic they are covering that year as part of the school curriculum.
- **Clubs:** Clubs such as choir, art, construction, football, netball etc. help to engage pupils in areas they enjoy.
- **Countryside Learning Day:** Every two years the school attends the Countryside Learning Day which takes place on the Woodhall Park Country Estate during the summer term.
- **Dance Festival:** Each Spring the children are invited to join the school Dance Club. They then create and rehearse a dance that they perform at the Hertford Theatre in front of an audience.
- **Fire Brigade visits:** Fire safety is taught annually and visits from the fire brigade are encouraged. This has previously been linked to The Great Fire of London topic and building of Tudor houses projects.
- **Fish:** Children have enjoyed looking after the fish in their classrooms.
- **Forest school:** With the school being surrounded on three sides by beautiful countryside we make the most of getting out into nature whenever we can.
- **Herts Catering taster days:** Workshops are delivered to pupils on healthy eating where they are given the chance to taste a variety of fruits etc.
- **Pantomime:** The annual whole school trip to the pantomime is both fun and an important learning experience.
- **Para-athlete visit:** A para-athlete delivered an assembly to our pupils on how he became a Commonwealth Games medal winner.
- **Peripatetic music lessons:** Music lessons are available for children that want them e.g. piano, guitar etc.
- **Residential trips:** Year 5 & 6 attend an annual residential trip. The benefits of residential trips are huge and all children are strongly encouraged to participate. Recent trips have included visits to Marrick Priory in Swaledale, Yorkshire and the Medina Valley Centre on the Isle of Wight.
- **RLNI Assembly:** Each summer we teach the children about water safety and staying safe at the beach.
- **Science Week:** each year the science subject leader creates a timetable of science activities to promote positive engagement in the the subject.
- **Schoolreaders.org:** Volunteers provided by school readers come into school to provide 1:1 reading support for our pupils.
- **Sports Day:** When not hosting Sports Day, the whole school travels to one of three other local primary schools to compete in our Sports Day Cluster Group.
- **Stapleford Flower Festival:** The Stapleford Flower Festival takes place on the first bank holiday weekend of May each year. At the event the school children perform a variety of Maypole Dances on the church lawn. In recent years the Stapleford School hall has hosted an art gallery at this event.

- **Stapleford Primary School Choir:**
  - i) **Choir Club:** The Stapleford Primary School Choir meet each week after school to rehearse for the many events that they are involved in throughout the year.
  - ii) **Christmas Carol Service (Hertford & Ware Primary Schools)** – Every December the Stapleford Primary School Choir rehearse and perform at the Hertford and Ware Christmas Carol Service. It includes readings, solos, duets, an individual school performance and many whole choir performances which usually includes ten schools.
  - iii) **Christmas Carol Service (Stapleford):** The Stapleford Primary School KS2 Christmas Carol service takes place every December in Stapleford Church. The choir always perform a carol, in the church, at this service. The whole school community then moves back to the school hall for refreshments and more carols, from the choir, in front of the School Christmas tree.
  - iv) **Church Services:** The choir perform as part of every school church service.
  - v) **Harvest Festival:** Every Autumn the Stapleford Primary School Choir travel to St Albans Cathedral to participate and sing in their Harvest Festival.
  - vi) **Music Festival:** Each Spring the Stapleford School Choir rehearse before performing in front of a large audience at the Hertford & Ware Music Festival. This is held at the Ware Drill Hall. The festival is a performance of a Cantata with a live band and is led by a conductor. It includes readings, solos, duets, an individual school performance and many whole choir performances which usually includes ten schools.
  - vii) **Rotary Choir Competition:** Each Summer term the choir rehearse, enter and perform at the Primary School Choir Competition which is organised by the Rotary Charity. The finalists perform at the Broxbourne Theatre in front of an audience.
  - viii) **Young Voices (London 02):** Each Spring the Stapleford Primary School Choir performs at the London 02 Arena in front of 22,000 people! This is after many months of rehearsal at school and a whole day of rehearsals with the live band, musical director, conductor and pop stars at the venue.
  
- **Strong women:** Good role models are always welcome to visit school. A female private jet pilot came into school to deliver an assembly to our pupil about the steps she took to become a pilot.
- **Tadpoles:** Children have enjoyed caring for and learning about how tadpole grow into frogs.
- **U3A Volunteers:** Volunteers from the U3A often hear children read and run clubs such as gardening club and board games club.
- **Waterford Flower Festival:** Waterford is a small village within the school catchment area. Each summer Year 3 & 4 walk along the river path to Waterford Church where they help to decorate it for the Flower Festival.
- **Woodhall Park Estate:** The school is situated on the very edge of the Woodhall Park Country Estate and has permission to take the children to visit the grounds to support the curriculum. Each class is encouraged to visit the Country Estate at least once each term. Lesson in the grounds of the estate have included art, music, poetry, science etc.
- **World Book Day:** A timetable of exciting activities is delivered in every class to celebrate World Book Day each spring. Previously this has included visits from famous authors, a mobile book shop, reading carousels and fancy dress parades etc.
- **Wraparound care (Breakfast Club and After School Club):** A variety of activities are provided at our wraparound clubs to make them fun for the children.