

## Stanley Crook Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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### Headteacher's Notices

This morning, I held my first meeting of the new academic year with our newly elected school councillors. Democratically elected by their peers in class, each School Councillor has already made a range of excellent suggestions about future projects to enhance school improvement. During the meeting today, pupils reviewed the 'child friendly' Child Protection policy in school (written and reviewed by the School Council every year), discussed how pupils in class communicate with them regarding issues and suggestions to bring to future meetings and planned support for future projects in and around school including; Smoke Free School Gates, a Science/ Habitat Area on the school field, outside Reading and Writing 'sheds' and the School Council budget for year—£500!

I have been extremely impressed by the maturity and knowledge on display during this mornings meeting and I look forward to working closely with School Council as we move forward in the academic year.

Well done to Jacob Robinson! I was excited to hear that Jacob is planning to swim 1000m as part of his involvement with his local swimming club—WOW! As part of the swim, Jacob has very kindly decided to raise money for our school to support with the purchase of reading books etc. Parents have set up a Just Giving page where parents/ carers and members of our local community can donate. The address for the page is:

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/leanne-robinson-3?utm\\_term=M97Je2m9W](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/leanne-robinson-3?utm_term=M97Je2m9W)

Thank you to Jacob's parents for their support and generosity and good luck to Jacob for his swimming challenge on the 24th October!

Discovery After School Club and Wrap Around continues to be extremely popular with pupils and parents! Discovery Club operates in two parts providing parents/ carers a greater degree of flexibility regarding their childcare needs and working patterns

- Option 1—3:15-4:15pm (£3 per session/ per child) Monday to Thursday
- Option 2—3:15-5:30pm (£6 per session/ per child, including a healthy snack) Monday to Friday

For more information, or to book a place for your child at Discovery Club, please contact the School Office.

Next week, staff will be hosting their Introductory Team Parent Meetings. These meetings extend our work to fully engage all parents/ carers in their child's education at our school and complements our termly Parent Meetings which are held towards the end of each term during the year.

These T.E.A.M. Meetings also provide parents/ carers with a valuable opportunity to meet their child's new class teacher, discuss plans and expectations for the new academic year as well as to ask any questions. For dates of Team meetings, please see Diary Dates on the reverse of this newsletter.

All meetings begin at 2:30pm.

I look forward to meeting with many of you next week.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr D Christie—Headteacher

For the most up to date information about what is going on in our school including dates for your diaries, parental information and school performance information, please visit our website at:

<http://www.stanleycrook.durham.sch.uk>

Please scan your smartphone device over the QR code to be taken straight to our school website!



### School Photographs

Many thanks to our School Photographer, Ritchie Coatsworth for the quick turnaround in delivering proofs and order forms to school today. Order forms have been sent to parents/carers today and Ritchie has allowed two weeks for the return of payments and orders for photographs.

### Durham Constabulary Junior Education Programme

Year 6 welcomed Lorraine from Durham County Council into school this week as part of the Junior Ed. Programme. Pupils learned about the health dangers posed by high-caffeine energy drinks and alcopops. After the session, Lorraine commented on the 'outstanding' attitude of pupils in Year 6! Great work, everyone!

### Harvest Festival Celebrations—St Thomas' Church

Our Harvest Festival is being held at St. Thomas' Church on Tuesday 16th October. Information has been sent to parents/carers this week with more details.



### Weekly T.E.A.M.

(Together Everyone Achieves More)

#### Attendance Champions

Team Donaldson	100%
Team Dahl	94%
Team Rowling	93%
Team Walliams	98%
Team Morpurgo	100%

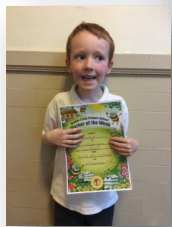
Well done to Teams

Donaldson and Morpurgo

This week's Attendance Trophy WINNERS!

### Children's Achievements in School

Every week, staff choose a pupil from each Team to be recognised for something special they have achieved during the week and a special award is presented in our Attendance Raffle! This week's chosen children are:



**Congratulations to all of our pupils this week for their outstanding effort and hard work in our school.**

#### Diary Dates:

**01.10.18 Team Donaldson (Y1 only) Team Meeting**

**02.10.18 Team Dahl Team Meeting**

**03.10.18 Team Rowling Team Meeting**

**04.10.18 Team Walliams Team Meeting**

**05.10.18 Team Morpurgo Team Meeting**

10.10.18 Whole School NSPCC Speak Out Assembly

15.10.18 Flu Immunisation

**16.10.18 Harvest Festival—St. Thomas' Church**

17.10.18 Yr 5/6 NSPCC Speak Out Assembly Worksp

18.10.18 Halloween Animal Workshops

(Team Donaldson/ Team Dahl)

18.10.18 Endangered Earth Animal Workshops

(Key Stage 2)

**18.10.18 School closes for Autumn Half Term**

**29.10.18 School reopens for Autumn Term 2**

29.10.18 Bikeability—Year 5

30.10.18 Bikeability—Year 5/ Year 6

