



"Pupils' personal development, behaviour and welfare is **OUTSTANDING**" (Ofsted, 2019)

Stanley Crook Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Headteacher's Notices

Thank you to the many mums and grandmas who attended school this week as part of our Mother's Day celebrations. Across Tuesday and Wednesday, we welcomed almost 100 mums and grandmas to school to share and enjoy a special Mother's Day lunch with their outstanding (grand)children. I would also like to thank Mrs Liddle and Mrs Law in the kitchen for their work across these two special lunch days as they prepared and served over 250 lunches!

This morning, our termly attendance award winners with 98% attendance for the Spring term, Team Walliams, have enjoyed a special treat as they visited Planet Leisure! Regular school attendance is extremely important as each term, every Team competes to be the Team with the overall best attendance. Team Walliams have now won this award for the Autumn and Spring terms of this current academic year! As we move into the Summer term, I am sure that pupils from Team Donaldson, Team Dahl, Team Rowling and Team Morpurgo can work hard to see if they can be the winners of the next Attendance Award.

A selection of pupils from Year 4 and Year 5 visited Parkside Academy yesterday—participating in an event aimed at developing skills around STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) subjects. During the morning, pupils engaged in a range of creative activities linked to these subjects. Feedback from Parkside was extremely positive as our pupils applied themselves exceptionally well.

Pupils across all Teams have been finalising their presentations for our Easter Service on Tuesday. The service will be split into two parts with Team Donaldson and Team Dahl's service beginning at 10:00am—with Key Stage 2 Teams' service beginning at 1:30pm. Both services will be supported by the School Choir with a selection of Year 6 pupils delivering special Easter readings from writing produced in class. I look forward to seeing many of you at The Church of St. Thomas on Tuesday.

The Big Pedal 2019 has got off to a good start at Stanley Crook Primary School! Team Rowling and Team Walliams are the highest scorers in school this week with 30 recorded journeys. Overall, our school is in 17th place within the North East region with 50% of pupils travelling to school on a bike or scooter. If you have not already, dust off those bicycles and scooters to travel to school on and take part in the Big Pedal to help our school climb the leader board! We will be celebrating the conclusion of the Big Pedal 2019 on Thursday and Friday next week with a bike/ scooter obstacle course on Thursday and then pupils will be invited to 'Bling their bike/ scooter for Easter' on Friday. Lots of prizes are up for grabs!

Next week, the new summer menu is launched for school lunches. If you would like your child to enjoy a healthy and nutritious school lunch, please contact the office.

Finally, I would like to extend many, many congratulations to Mr Teasdale and his wife, Hannah, on the birth of their first child on Wednesday—a healthy baby boy! Best wishes from everyone to the new family!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr D Christie

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!



Easter Service—St. Thomas' Church 02.04.19

A reminder of the times for this year's Easter service:

Team Donaldson/ Team Dahl—10:00am

Team Rowling/ Team Walliams/ Team Morpurgo—1:30pm

Ford Castle—Parent Meeting

For pupils attending Ford Castle this year, a parent information meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 3rd April at 3:15pm. The meeting will discuss items/ equipment required and information regarding planned activities etc.

The meeting is also a good opportunity for parents/ carers to ask any questions regarding the trip.

Easter Break

School will close for the beginning of the Easter break on Friday 5th April. School will reopen for teaching purposes on Tuesday 23rd April.



Weekly T.E.A.M.

(Together Everyone Achieves More)

Attendance Champions

Team Donaldson	95%
Team Dahl	99%
Team Rowling	95%
Team Walliams	93%
Team Morpurgo	98%

**Well done to Team Dahl!
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:



**Megan
Hartley**



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

Diary Dates:

- 01.04.19—Smart Schools (Team Rowling)
- 02.04.19—Easter Service (St. Thomas' Church)
- 03.04.19—Dance Festival—Teams Dahl and Rowling
- 04.04.19—Team Dahl visit Raby Castle
- 04.04.19—Termly Progress Reports sent home
- 05.04.19—School closes for Easter Break**
- 23.04.19—School reopens for Teaching**

