



STANLEY CROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL

To try our best, to tell the truth, to look after each other and our community

Stanley Crook Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Headteacher's Notices

Our outstanding T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Achieves More) has been hard at work across school this week! Both pupils and staff have been engaged in a range of fun and exciting learning activities; all of which, support and enhance the delivery of the curriculum to ensure pupils' outcomes continue to improve and strengthen.

I would like to thank the many dads and granddads who visited our school on Wednesday and Thursday to enjoy a 'Father's Day Lunch' with their wonderful children. Our school community is central to our aims and objectives for continuous improvement regarding our educational provision at Stanley Crook Primary School and it is so pleasing to have such great responses to these type of activities. The lunch days also presented an excellent opportunity for me to meet and chat with many parents and I was overjoyed to receive such a wide range of positive feedback from dads and granddads about our school. Although currently in the top 3% of schools nationally, my team and I are relentless in our desire to continue to improve and deliver only the very best educational provision for our pupils and all feedback is always considered in relation to our school improvement priorities.

I would also like to pay special thanks to Mrs Liddle and Mrs Law in our school kitchen and to our outstanding team of lunchtime supervisors. This section of my team ensure that your children enjoy a healthy, safe and fun lunchtime everyday and I am sure you will agree with me when I say what a superb job they do in school!

Today has been a particularly exciting day!

Our 'new starters' for September were welcomed to our school for the very first time as they enjoyed a fun and interactive session in Team 1. Mrs Brabban, Miss Brown and Mrs Moralee have all provided feedback to me regarding how well the new starters settled into their new class and we are all sure that they will enjoy many happy years at our school as they progress through their primary education. Our aim at Stanley Crook Primary is to start each of our pupils on their journey through school in the best possible way. We hope all children will flourish and thrive whilst at Stanley Crook and make the most of all the learning opportunities that the school has to offer. By the time each of our pupils leave Stanley Crook, we hope that they have developed the lifelong skills to be resilient, respectful and independent individuals who have a love of learning.

Our existing pupils also enjoyed an opportunity to 'move up' to their new classes and meet their new teachers. All pupils in school have evidenced good progress this year and I am sure that school organisation for 2017/2018 will allow staff in all Teams to ensure that pupil achievement is not only maintained, but accelerated further.

There are three more 'new starter' visits and 'moving up' days planned between now and the end of the academic year which will provide more opportunities for pupils to settle into their new Teams and feel secure and happy moving forward into the new school year in September.

Pupils from Team 2 and Team 5 participated in First Aid training on Monday. Via a scheme using 'Flat Stan' as the main character, pupils learned about basic first aid and how to call for help in an emergency.

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!



Parent Consultation Meetings (Summer Term 2017)

The final Parent Consultation Meetings of this academic year will take place on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th June. Already, over 85% of parents have made an appointment to meet with the child's class teacher. Thank you!

Combined Cadet Force (CCF)

We welcomed a special visitor to school on Tuesday. 2nd Lt. Wheelhouse of the CCF joined us in school to deliver an assembly and then to work with pupils in Team 5. During the morning, 2nd Lt. Wheelhouse shared the aims and objectives of the CCF and demonstrated a range of learning activities undertaken by its members. Pupils also enjoyed participating in Resilience and Mindfulness training and even had a chance to learn some Army drilling techniques on the school yard!

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly—Friday 21st July

As our Year 6 pupils begin to plan and prepare their 'Leavers' Assembly', I would like to invite parents of our Year 6 pupils into school to share in our celebrations of the achievements of our Year 6 pupils while at our school and to look forward with them towards their move to secondary school. The assembly will begin at 12:30; after which, parents can enjoy a tea/ coffee and biscuits with their children before school closes for summer. More details to follow.

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:

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| 20.06.17 Transition and Resilience Workshop (Year 6) | 05.07.17 EYFS/ KS1 Transition Workshop |
| 20.06.17 Locomotion—Beside the Seaside (Team 1 and 2) | 12.07.17 Brass Band 'Big Bus' (Whole School) |
| 21.06.17 Super Splash Heroes Pantomime | 14.07.17 End of year School Trip
(Team 1 and Team 2—Blue Reef Aquarium) |
| 26.06.17 End of Year Pupil Reports sent to parents/ carers | (Team 3, Team 4 and Team 5—South Shields) |
| 27.06.17 Parent Meetings—Summer term (2pm-6pm) | 21.07.17 Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (12:30pm) |
| 28.06.17 Parent Meetings—Summer term (2pm-6pm) | 21.07.17 School Closes for Summer |
| 30.06.17 Sports Day 2017 | 05.09.17 School Opens for Teaching Purposes |
| 03.07.17 KS2-KS3 Transition Workshop | |
| 04.07.17 Adam Bushnell—Creative Storytelling | |

