



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

Stanley Crook Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Headteacher's Notices

As we find ourselves at the end of the school year, I am extremely proud of all of our pupils and our dedicated staff in school. This year has been another successful year for Stanley Crook Primary School which has included an extremely successful Ofsted report, outstanding outcomes for pupils across school, as well as a range of ongoing school development projects to provide our pupils with an outstanding level of education. Our successes are of a direct result of school and family working together as a T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Achieves More) in order to ensure that our pupils are all provided with the very best educational provision. As we look forward to the start of a new academic year in September, we continue to seek and explore new and exciting learning opportunities. I would also like to thank our parent body for their continued support at school as well as our committed Governing Body for the wonderful job they do in ensuring our school continues to thrive.

Today, we say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. In school, we have all enjoyed an outstanding Leavers' Assembly in which all pupils were able to come together to celebrate the remarkable achievements of our Year 6, this year. These occasions are often emotional; however, they are primarily a time for joy and celebration as we reflect on the journey of our pupils while at primary school and to also look forward towards the future journey that they are all about to embark upon, as they move into their new secondary schools. For the assembly, we welcomed to school parents of pupils in Year 6 so that they could also share in our celebrations with their children and look forward to the next stages in their children's lives. During the assembly, Year 6 shared their most memorable moments at Stanley Crook Primary School, handed 'Thank you' certificates to the staff and delivered an outstanding presentation which focused on their individual aspirations for future careers.

Our Year 6 group this year have been outstanding: not just in their academic achievements but in the progress they have demonstrated around our core values of respect, resilience, tolerance, understanding and responsibility. They are a credit to themselves, their families and our school and I would like to wish each of them every success in the future.

Last week saw the publication of the Key Stage 2 (Year 6) SATs results. I was immensely proud of the achievements of our Year 6 pupils and the results they have obtained from these assessments. Every pupil has made outstanding progress throughout their time at our school with 96% of Year 6 pupils achieving the national standard for Reading, English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling and Mathematics. What makes this achievement even more impressive is in the comparison with interim National statistics which show 65% of pupil in England achieved the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

Pupils in Year 2 have also achieved outstanding results (80% meeting or exceeding the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths) in their end of year assessments, as have pupils in Year 1 with over 80% achieving the expected standard in phonics. Pupils in EYFS have joined their peers from across the school in achieving outstanding results with 76% of pupils attaining a Good Level of Development.

These results highlight the outstanding work of all pupils at our school. Many thanks to all of the staff at our school for their 100% commitment to ensuring that only the best educational provision for the pupils at Stanley Crook Primary School will be accepted.

This week, parents have had opportunity to share in several other celebration events as Year 5 pupils have graduated from The Prince William Award Core Values. Nominated pupils from each Team have also received special end of year awards in recognition of their outstanding academic achievement, effort and sporting achievements.

On Wednesday, school once again welcomed Back Chat Brass as we celebrated the Durham Brass Music Festival 2019!

Thank you all for your continued support this year! I hope you are all able to enjoy a peaceful and relaxing summer break with your outstanding children. School re-opens on Wednesday 4th September.

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!



Mr Carroll (Chair of Governors)

Mr Carroll, after over 40 years as a Chair of School Governors (30 years at our school), has decided to retire from the role. During this time, Mr Carroll has chaired meetings at Stanley Crook Primary School with four different Headteachers, and has committed a huge amount of his own time and effort in ensuring, despite changing landscapes in education and many local challenges, that our school continued to strengthen and improve.

Mr Carroll will be greatly missed by all at school. At last, however, he can now relax, enjoy his full retirement and focus 100% on his bee-keeping!

On behalf of everyone at school (past and present), I would like to wish Mr Carroll and his wife, Chris, as well as his wider family, the very best for the future—"Thank you!"

A special assembly is planned to celebrate and recognise the efforts of Mr Carroll, while serving as Chair of Governors, in the new school year.

Autumn Term 2019

A reminder that school will re-open for teaching purposes on Wednesday 4th September 2019.

Goodbye and Good Luck, Year 6!

Be Proud!



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

Diary Dates:

04.09.19—School reopens for new academic year

