

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



Headteacher's Notices

Coronation Celebrations

Everyone in school has enjoyed a fun and exciting day in school, learning all about the Coronation of HM King Charles III.

Dressed in red, white and blue, the children have all participated in interactive workshops, lead by our partners at BigFoot Art Education, to learn all about the Coronation, the Royal Family and HM King Charles.

The children then enjoyed a delicious 'street party' style lunch with their friends and teachers!

During the day, school was also pleased to welcome governors and local MP Richard Holden to join staff and children for lunch.

School has also been selected to be part of a county-wide e-book and feature film, focused on sharing the many celebrations around the King's Coronation, which are happening all over County Durham. Once the e-book and film are published, I will let parents/ carers know.

A commemorative poster has been included in this week's newsletter detailing some of the notable (and possibly lesserknown) landmarks and successes in the King's life to date

Year 6 Statutory Assessments (Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th May) REPEAT

The Key Stage 2 (Year 6) statutory assessments will take place from Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th May 2023.

The current Year 6 cohort can all be extremely proud of their educational achievements in school this year. The children and teachers in Team Morpurgo have worked extremely hard to prepare for the end of Year 6 assessments and to ensure that transition to secondary school and the next phase of their education is as successful as possible.

Please reinforce our key message, which we always speak to the children about in school and which focuses around our school mission: <u>'Try your best'</u>. As a school, we do not want any child to worry or feel under any pressure regarding these forthcoming assessments. I am sure that the children will all do very well and achieve the excellent results, which they so thoroughly deserve.

These statutory assessments are a part of the national assessment process and it is important that all Year 6 children are in school during SATs week. We want your child to achieve his/her very best and very much value your support.

During the week of the tests, Year 6 pupils are allowed to come straight into school each morning and <u>enjoy a FREE breakfast</u>. Children can arrive at Breakfast Club from 8:00am Tuesday – Friday and school will provide a free nutritious breakfast to boost energy levels (refunds will be provided to parents/ carers of children in Year 6 who may have already pre-paid for Breakfast Club for this week)! In previous years, this offer has also provided useful emotional and social support to children in Year 6, as they get to spend some 'down-time' with their friends before the assessments.

National Numeracy Day 2023

This year's National Numeracy Day takes place on Wednesday 17th May. The theme of this year's event is 'Building brighter futures through confidence with numbers' and in school children will be participating in a range of fun maths learning activities, including a virtual live lesson hosted by maths teacher, tv presenter and National Numeracy ambassador, Bobby Seagull.

National Numeracy also offer a free family maths toolkit, which is full of fun activities and ideas to help families enjoy maths together. This toolkit can be downloaded here: Free Family Maths Toolkit | Resources For Schools, Parents & Carers

School Cricket

Well done to children in our school cricket team for another excellent performance yesterday afternoon! Competing against children from several local schools, the team performed exceptionally well, demonstrating outstanding teamwork and sporting values!

Bank Holiday

A reminder to parents that school will be closed on Monday 8th May for the additional 'Coronation weekend' Bank Holiday, and reopens on Tuesday 9th May.

Thank you for your continued support and have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend!

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:

https://www.stanleycrook.durham.sch.uk

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Weekly T.E.A.M.

Attendance Champions

Team Donaldson	92.4%
Team Dahl	100%
Team Cowell	91.3%
Team Walliams	95.5%
Team Morpurgo	97.5%

Congratulations to



This week's attendance trophy winners!



The Life of King Charles III

Naval officer. Student. Environmental campaigner. Husband and father. King Charles III has juggled several previous roles in his 73 years, but having ascended to a new position last year – that of Britain's 62nd monarch – His Majesty is about to be formally crowned at a historic event which will make headlines not just in this country, but around the world.

Children may be intrigued to see from our commemorative poster (BELOW) some of the notable (and possibly lesser-known) landmarks and successes in the King's life to date – from his years training as a pilot in the RAF to his work supporting young people to the valuable restoration projects carried out by the architectural charity he founded.



The life of **NG CHARLES III**



Charles Windsor is born in Buckingham Palace to proud parents Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip

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he couple's first child, William, is born in St Mary's Hospital in London – and two years later, Prince Harry is born. Unlike many royal fathers, Charles was present at the birth of both his children.

The prince marries Lady Diana Spencer in a ceremony at St Paul's Cathedral after a five-month engagement.

PRINCE'S TRUST

on leaving the navy, Charles uses his severance pay to set up The Prince's Trust a charity to help vulnerable young peers which is vulnerable young peo till running today.



Having divorced in 1996, Charles marries his second wife, Camilla wies, in a civil ceremony at Windsor Gulidhall. Charles becomes king following the passing of his mother, Queen Elizabeth II. He was the longest serving heir apparent In British history.

2022

Charles is crowned in a ceremony at Westminster Abbey alongsi Camilla, becoming the old monarch to ascend to the

Did you know?...

Charles was the monarch in waiting for 70 years, overtaking Edward VII who had been heir apparent for 59 years.



The new king has a degree from the University of Cambridge and A Levels in History and French.

Charles is a committed environmentalist who has rted campaigns to address climate change In 2007, he won Harvard University's Global Environmental Citizen Award



Charles is also passionate about architecture. His charity – the Prince's Foundation for the Built Environment – has helped design, construct and refurbish important buildings around the world. This won His Majesty the Driehaus Architecture Prize from the University of Notre Dame.



At 73. Charles becomes the oldest British king to be crowned. The previous oldest was William IV, Queen Victoria's uncle, who was 64 at his coronation way back in 1830.



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