



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

Stanley Crook Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Headteacher's Notices

This has been another excellent week in school, with children across all Teams continuing to demonstrate and evidence outstanding progress in their learning. In particular, I continue to be impressed by the children's positive attitudes to learning and their willingness to meet new challenges head on to achieve their targets.

On my visit to Team Walliams this week, the engagement of the children and the high standards of handwriting and presentation of work was outstanding! The children all showed very clearly that they are enjoying their time in Team Walliams, are hungry for new knowledge and keen to develop new skills.

Across school, whether it be fact files on Polar Bears linked to the Team Dahl text, 'Leaf', or independent full sentence writing by our Reception children in Team Donaldson, everyone should be proud of their efforts in school this week.

Start of the School Day

Thank you to parents/ carers for their ongoing support with punctuality at the start of the school day. Children across all Teams are now in school faster and getting on with their learning far quicker than previously. A reminder for parents/ carers that the school day begins at 8:45am. Teachers are now ringing the bell at 8:40am, rather than 8:45am. This does not mean school starts at 8:40am. This is so that teachers and support staff can be out on the yard at 8:40am to welcome the children in their Teams, get the children settled and lined up, ready to enter school at 8:45am. Children should be on the yard, ready for the start of the school day no later than 8:40am. This enables them to be lined up, ready to enter school and be focused on their learning.

Remembrance Day Assembly

Both children and staff participated in a special assembly this morning to mark Armistice Day and to observe the two-minute silence at 11:00am. Children learned about the Armistice, which was signed in November 1918 and came into effect at 11:00am to mark the end of The First World War. Thank you to Luke and Jessica (Year 6) for their excellent recital of two of the most well known 'war poems' - 'Flanders Fields' and 'Ode to Remembrance' from 'For the Fallen'.

Lest We Forget.

Autumn Term Teacher/ Parent Consultations

Thank you to the many, many parents/ carers who have already booked appointments to speak with their child's class teacher as part of school's Autumn Term Teacher/ Parent Consultations.

To continue to provide parents/ carers with a choice between face-to-face and telephone appointments, bookings are being taken for two separate days. Feedback from many parents/ carers remains that having a choice of telephone appointments provides support with work commitments and in not having to seek time off work to attend the appointment in person at school.

Over 96% of parents/ carers have already either booked a face-to-face or telephone appointment—thank you!

Consultation dates:

Monday 28th November 2:00pm—5:30pm (telephone appointments)

Wednesday 30th November 2:00pm—5:30pm (face-to-face appointments in school)

School Values—INDEPENDENCE

This week's value in school has been independence, and there have been many, many examples of children demonstrating independence in school this week! Well done to Piper for being awarded the School Value Champion award for Independence for this week. Piper has consistently demonstrated outstanding independence in her school work this week, writing full sentences independently with correct finger spaces, letter formation, spelling and punctuation! Well done!

Dogs on the Playground (REPEAT)

I have received several messages from parents/ carers this week regarding dogs still being brought onto the playground at the start and end of the school day. It is school policy that dogs are not permitted on the school yard/ field under any circumstances and should be kept off the school site at all times. Thank you in advance for your support with this matter.

One Way System

I have also had contact from several parents/ carers this week regarding a very small number of parents/ carers using Wooley Terrace to carry out 3-point turns to head back down the lane or to turn into Stanley Terrace or Jobson Terrace. Parents/ carers have expressed their serious concerns regarding the safety issues this is presenting to children and families walking to and from school. I continue to request that parents/ carers use the suggested one way system around school. This is the best way to manage the large volume of traffic around school and ensure the safety of the children. I have attached the map showing the suggested route to this newsletter.

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:

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

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



Headteacher's T.E.A.M. of the Week!

Team of the Week this week is...Team Walliams!

WOW! Well done, Team Walliams!

You have all had a fantastic week of learning in Team Walliams, making excellent progress in all areas of the curriculum.

I have been particularly impressed by the efforts you are all making to ensure that your handwriting and presentation is of a high standard across all of your work. It is wonderful to see your enthusiasm and focus in developing these very important skills.

I was also extremely impressed with you all when I visited your team yesterday, as you completed a reading comprehension task focused on Remembrance Day. Your engagement and attitudes to learning were excellent!

Remember T.E.A.M. = 'Together Everyone Achieves More'!

Well done, Team Walliams—You are all SUPERSTARS!!!

Mr C



Weekly T.E.A.M.

Attendance Champions

Team Donaldson	94%
Team Dahl	94.5%
Team Cowell	100%
Team Walliams	97.7%
Team Morpurgo	96.2%

Congratulations to

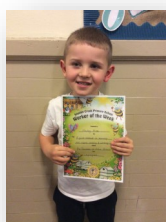
TEAM COWELL

This week's attendance trophy winners!



Children's Achievements in School!

Every week, one child is chosen as 'Headteacher's Star of the Week' and 'School Values Champion'. Staff also choose a pupil from each Team to be recognised for something special they have achieved during the week! This week's chosen children are:



Congratulations to all of our pupils for their effort and outstanding effort and hard work in our school!

'Together Everyone Achieves More'

Online Safety - TOP TIPS

Think before you post

Don't upload or share anything you wouldn't want your parents, carers, teachers or future employers seeing. Once you post something, you lose control of it, especially if someone else screenshots or shares it.

Don't share personal details

Keep things like your address, phone number, full name, school and date of birth private, and check what people can see in your privacy settings. Remember that people can use small clues like a school logo in a photo to find out a lot about you.

Watch out for phishing and scams

Phishing is when someone tries to trick you into giving them information, like your password. Someone might also try to trick you by saying they can make you famous or that they're from a talent agency. Never click links from emails or messages that ask you to log in or share your details, even if you think they might be genuine. If you're asked to log into a website, go to the app or site directly instead.



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Travel times, traffic and nearby places

