



TERM 6 NEWSLETTER

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Wow! What a Year!

As we come to the end of a busy and challenging year, there is lots to celebrate as we look back at the many achievements of the school. The children never cease to amaze us with their independence, resilience and desire to learn. Our school values continue to be at the forefront of everything we do, which all strengthen the children's characters and their ability to make the most of every aspect of school life.

We are so proud of all the children, especially how they adapted to home-learning again, and how we all dealt with the difficult times of COVID-19. Whether in school or at home, we have celebrated all of the children's achievements, where they have demonstrated how hard working, dedicated and kind they are. With these values, the amazing staff, our compelling curriculum and the stimulating indoor and outdoor spaces, this has allowed for positive, engaging and inspirational learning experiences.

Even with all the restrictions, the school has been full of energy, enthusiasm and excitement, creating a buzz of learning in every bubble. Production, trips, dress-up days, charity events, competitions, celebrations and festivals have all enhanced the children's learning experience.

I would like to wish all children who are leaving us at the end of this year all the very best as they continue their educational journey. I know that they have all had a great start here and that they will go on to achieve great things, and I hope they will take with them many happy memories of Stanton.

We also say a fond farewell to Mrs Austin after 20 years of commitment and dedication. She will be greatly missed but will be remembered by hundreds of families with thanks and appreciation for her support. We also wished Mrs Fisher a happy retirement and Ms Rimmer lots of luck in her new role within the federation.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the staff, parents and wider community for all their support.

Wishing you all a safe and happy summer holiday.

Sarah Matthews – Head of School



Sports Day

Well done to Survivor House for winning the Sports Day Cup



A great day was had by all. Read all about it here!

<http://www.stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk/news-1/fantastic-sports-day>

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The show must go on. Whilst we were sad to not be able to invite friends and family to watch, the children in Rhine Class rose to the occasion and performed with such enthusiasm and enjoyment.

A huge thank you to Mr Cole for taking time out of his working day to come and film it for everyone to enjoy at home. Thank you also to Mrs Austin & Mrs Mackenzie for the amazing props.

Amazon trip to Steam

Last week, Amazon class went on their long-awaited trip to the STEAM Museum in Swindon, to continue their learning all about Isambard Kingdom Brunel and his achievements. The children were so excited to go on a trip after such a long time and even the coach was an exciting highlight for many!



<http://www.stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk/children/class-blogs/amazon/our-trip-to-the-steam-museum>

Safety for Spikes

Rhine Class had a special visit from Tedbury Hedgehog Hospital and learnt about how to protect this endangered species. We then placed our new hedgehog house in the wild area and held a hedgehog themed bake sale with the proceeds going to the hospital. We raised over £ 150. Thank you to all the bakers and buyers. And finally, a huge thank you to Mrs Fisher and the PCC team for making the 'Safety for Spikes' project a reality!



Stanton Stomp

As part of a very old and happy school tradition, all the children went for a stomp to Stanton Woods. We were sad not to have invited the whole community this year but we look forward to doing that again soon.



<http://www.stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk/children/class-blogs/amazon/if-you-went-down-to-the-woods-today>

Thank you very much Mr Rokovucago, Mrs Dallyn and Mrs Cole for coming as volunteers.

House Points Results

It was very close but the overall winner with the most house points over the three terms is ... Birch House – Well done!

Ash – 1,122

Birch – 1,124

Survivor – 1,126



Farewell to Year 6

We are so proud of you and all that you have achieved at SSQ. Thank you to everyone who joined us to reflect, celebrate and smile! Unforgettable memories and everlasting friendships will go with you, as you take the next exciting step. We wish you all the very best!



Plumber Cup

This year the Plumber Cup was awarded to Niah for her contribution to the school and community.



Dance Cup Winners

Well done to the dance group who were joint winners in the Strictly Chippenham competition.



Welcome Back Picnic

In September, the school and FOSS will be organising a whole school picnic on the field. We thought it would be a great opportunity for those new to the school to meet other families and also come together as a school community which we haven't been able to do this year. Date to be confirmed and the plans are for families to bring their own picnic to eat, and we will have some activities for the children, allowing parents' time to socialise.

Term 1 Starts - Wednesday 1st September 2021

Please note Nursery start back – Monday 6th September 2021



Great news!

This year, we have raised a total of **£5811** for our library and Reading Spine (this includes Challenge 21, rags2riches, our summer raffle, the virtual balloon race) and FOSS has worked incredibly hard to discover other sources of funding to put towards the project. For example, Stanton Parish Council has contributed £500 and we have secured matched funding totalling nearly £1000. This is a phenomenal achievement for such a small school! Thank you to everyone who has supported FOSS by taking part in all our events and to the school staff who have encouraged the children in their Challenges.

Five members of FOSS are stepping down this term, as their Year 6s move on to pastures new.

Between them, they have spent hours folding raffle tickets, manning stalls, filling bags, counting out floats, setting events up, making posters, selling photos, cooking hotdogs, serving drinks, selling ice-creams, hiding Easter Eggs, making cakes, tidying up, brewing teas, banking money, bagging tokens, and much, much more - Amazing!!

They have left a fantastic legacy behind from which all Stanton children can benefit – including new netball equipment, a trolley full of iPads, new outside play area for Darling Class, outside ping-pong table. **And now, there will be an inspiring library for all the children to enjoy. On behalf of all parents, staff and children - Thank you so much to you all.**



This opens up some new opportunities for new parents to be involved in FOSS from September and we're really looking forward to welcoming you on board. Come and get involved! We will be holding our AGM in Sept/ Oct so please come and support us - **we are YOUR PTA.**

Contact us via the parent WhatsApp group or via email:
foss@stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk

Wishing you all a great Summer Holiday! Best wishes from Yvonne and the FOSS Team x