



Notice Board

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The week ahead for the children.

- * Help your family around the house and in the garden
- * Post a safe comment to Mrs Anderson's Word of the Week Blog
- * Remember to send in home learning tasks—especially writing for feedback
- * Be thankful and say thank you. It goes a long way.
- * Enjoy the sunshine and water your seeds/plants

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Welcome Back!

This is the most unusual way I have welcomed everyone back after a holiday. I hope this Newsletter finds you well and that you have, over the Easter break, enjoyed the fresh air and sunshine that have been with us.

We hope the Newsletters are helpful in these unprecedented times. With home learning, Stanton News, Local Authority and Government information, we hope we have the balance right and what we are sending home is not too overwhelming.

Mrs Anderson has been prolific in her work as English Lead and in promoting the passion she has for the subject. As a school we are so lucky to have someone who champions the subject as she does. We hope you are enjoying the Word of the Week Blogs. There have been lots of posts from Darling Class. The challenge for next week is for Amazon and Rhine children to add to the blog. Come on Key Stage 2!

Just a reminder that whilst we are working more so online, we need to ensure we are adopting safe internet practices. If children are adding posts/commend please only use first names. It's for your child's safety and we have learnt about online safety in class.

I hope your seeds are growing. I am now on a second attempt and germinating them in the house (away from those pesky mice) but none have poked their head out from the soil yet. I hope to give you some more promising news next week.

Take care, stay safe and see you all very soon

Karen Winterburn

Woof! A message from Beau

Hello everyone! Where are you all? I came into school this week and I had no friends. School was a bit strange and there were no crumbs in the hall!!!!!!

I spent the morning with Mrs Dean, the lovely lady who looks after me if I'm not in school and she took me for a walk over the airfield, it was very warm. Luckily we found a stream and I had a good slurp of the cool water!

I hope you are all well and getting lots of exercise.



Important Information

This deserves a cracked neck for!

Maths Activities on School News Blog

Make sure you check out the school news blog on the school website as I will be posting so fun maths activities over the term. The first one involves chocolate!



Maths Newsletter

Summer Term 2020



Maths No Problem Parent Guides

Thank you to everyone for signing up so quickly. I do hope that the parent hub is working well. Please see attached with the newsletter parent guide and support manual.



TT Rockstars Competition

Next week we are running a competition for Year 2-6. It will run Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm each day. We will be seeing which year group and individual pupils are 'Top of the Rocks'. Look out on the school news blog for results. If you have need your login or password please e-mail your class teacher.

Good Luck everyone!

Oracy in Maths

Talking about your maths really helps to deepen understanding. Ask questions like *How do you know? Are you sure? Can you prove it? Is there more than one solution?*

Other useful resources

Each week on BBC Bitesize they have a set of weekly challenges.

Challenge 1 and 2 are suitable for ages 5 to 7.

Challenge 3 to 5 are suitable for ages 7 to 11.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zv8y38z>



Home Learning Review—April 2020

Following a staff Team Meeting held this week, we reviewed the Home Learning Tasks we have been setting across the school. We discussed:

- ◊ Trying to make Home Learning Tasks as printer free as possible. Printers are an important commodity in homes at the moment and cartridges are so expensive. Some parents/ children are drawing out the grid to complete tasks set to reduce the home consumables required.
- ◊ We would like longer pieces of writing being sent back to school via class emails so that teachers can feedback and children can use this feedback in the or next piece of writing or to 'uplevel' the submitted task. Children are used to doing this, and this is part and parcel of the learning process.
- ◊ Learning Tasks are set based on what we know of our children and what is required from the National Curriculum. We will use *BiteSize* and *National Oak Academy* activities to supplement weekly learning where appropriate.
- ◊ Home Maths No Problem Access has been actioned for most families at Stanton. This will support the learning of maths whilst we away from school. Class teachers will be contacting families who have not yet subscribed to help them do so.
- ◊ We love seeing photos of home learning tasks. Some photos have younger siblings in them or children have written their full names. In order to publish and celebrate learning online please try to remind children to only use their first name. If you send in a photo that includes a Stanton child and a younger sibling, please be clear that you are happy have the photo published on class blogs. Safeguarding is paramount.

A message from Mrs Anderson

Don't forget to check next week's Word of the Week Blog—coming to a Stanton Website near you soon.

How are you doing with the Summer Reading Challenge?

Every week in term time Rhine Class look forward to the delivery of the First News Newspaper and now we are able to deliver straight to your inbox for you to read at home.

FirstNews

Check your e-mail for this week's edition. We are sending this to you.

First News is a weekly newspaper aimed at 7 to 14-year-olds that aims to get kids talking about the news in an easy to understand and non-threatening way. They cover issues which are relevant to children and which specifically affect them. Inside you'll find a mix of world news and UK news, but also loads of fun stuff, such as entertainment, games, animals, sport and puzzles.

First News is bright and colourful. The layout of the paper ensures there are lots of little snippets of information that are really easy to dip in and out of. But there are more in-depth special reports for the more confident readers. For more details visit: <https://subscribe.firstnews.co.uk>

Happy reading!

Ramadan in lockdown

This week marks the beginning of Ramadan for Muslims across the world, so I thought I would share with you what Ramadan is and how it is different this year because of the lockdown.

Ramadan is a special fast where, for a month, Muslims do not eat or drink during daylight hours. This is done to remember the month the Qur'an (the Muslim holy book) was revealed to Muhammad. Children don't have to take part in Ramadan until they are 14 years old but some children do. Ramadan starts on Thursday 23rd April (today) and finishes on Saturday 23rd May this year. Each year, the dates change because the Muslim faith follows the lunar calendar.

This year will be very different for Muslims because of lockdown. Normally, Muslims would attend services at their mosque, but because of Covid-19 they can't do that. This isn't going to stop them following their faith though, as many Muslims will be taking part in live video services on the internet. Families will also still be able to come together in their own homes to share the suhoor and iftar, which are special meals at the beginning and end of the day to mark the beginning and end of the fast. While covid-19 has stopped many people celebrating their faith in the way they normally would, lots of Muslims all over the world will still be able to celebrate their faith, just in a slightly different way. At the end of Ramadan, there is a special feast call Eid ul-fitr. Muslims wear their best clothes and have a big meal in the daytime to mark the end of the fast. They also go to the mosque for a special service, which this year will be done over the internet.

If you know anyone who is a Muslim, maybe you could ask them (by email or on the phone) how they plan to celebrate their faith and Ramadan this month. If you would like to know more about Ramadan, why not have a look on the BBC bitesize website: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zpdtsbk/articles/zjc2bdm>

Mrs Todd, RE coordinator

Online Resources—just in.

Song of the week



Love learning, start singing

One moment, one

people is a beautiful, catchy, empowering anthem about working together and making positive connections with each other.

Learn the song with our fantastic teaching video by Beccy Owen and try out our **audio tracks, lyrics, score and pupil pack** with activities for children to do based on the song.

This is a song as a school we all know.

Community News

The following information will be sent as a separate document:

- Launch of Wiltshire Well Being Hub
- Road Safety in the UK, during and after COVID –19
- Primary Newsletter 17th April

YOGA AT HOME

EMBRACE THE BENEFITS OF YOGA TOGETHER!

Are you caring for your own or someone else's children during lockdown? Whether you are familiar with yoga or it is all new to you, yoga is a great way to introduce something new to your children and encourage the benefits of mindfulness and relaxation. Maudesport has developed a FREE resource that will help you and your children to enjoy yoga practise quickly and easily.

HERE ARE JUST A FEW KEY REASONS WHY YOGA IS GREAT FOR BOTH CHILDREN AND ADULTS:

- Improves energy levels and vitality
- Improves concentration and memory function
- Increases flexibility
- Helps maintain a healthy weight
- Excellent for circulatory health
- Enhances muscles strength
- Enhances academic performance
- Improves self esteem