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We are delighted to be supporting the Poppy Appeal again this year. Mrs Austin is selling Poppies and associated items to raise much needed funds for the British Legion.

On Wednesday, the school will be taking part in a Remembrance Service with the local community, where Year 6 children from Rhine will presenting Crosses at the gravestones of the fallen soldiers.

Unfortunately due to COVID we will not be able to invite the residents, parents and community members back for refreshments as in previous years.

Welcome Back Everyone!

I hope that you all had a safe and enjoyable half term break. It seems that such a lot has happened since we broke up at the end of October, and within this newsletter I would like to update you on these matters. So grab a cup of tea, there is a lot of information to digest!

Traditionally, Term 2 is a busy one with the Nativity Play and Christmas plans and preparations. This year will be different but I am hoping that we will be able to celebrate these in some form. Please be patient with us as we work through logistics and an ever-changing landscape. Your child's education is a partnership and we will all need to be working together to navigate and overcome the challenges ahead.

I thank you in anticipation for your continued support this term.

Next FOSS Meeting

Our next meeting is Thurs 12th November at 7:30pm over Zoom.



We are looking for some new class reps at the moment - one volunteer for each of Rhine, Amazon and Darling Class to help us spread the word about FOSS activities and also get some feedback after events.

Would you like to take part? If so, please contact FOSS via the school office email - admin@stanton-st-quintin.wilts.sch.uk.

WhatsApp group for Stanton Parents:

Would you like to join the WhatsApp Parents group – we use it for information only and asking questions such as: When is non uniform day? Is there a TD next month?

You can ask us any questions and there's always someone who knows the answer. It's so useful. If you would like to join please drop Sarah Robinson a text on 07595 163949 (Niah & Bonnies mum) who will get you added on. It's open to everyone ☺

Woof! A message from Beau

Ok, so after Saturday's announcement or as part of the half term activities ...who's had a hair cut? I have!

I thought I would show you my before and after photos—back to being a young pup again.

Stay safe and enjoy the muddy puddles



COVID Update

The school has updated its Risk Assessment to reflect the Government's Guidance for Schools : 22nd October 2020. In this document it gives details of the Systems of Control that schools should follow:

System of controls

1. Minimise contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school.
 2. Where recommended, the use of face coverings in schools.
 3. Clean hands thoroughly more often than usual. 4
 4. Ensure good respiratory hygiene by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
 5. Introduce enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often, using standard products such as detergents.
 6. Minimise contact between individuals and maintain social distancing wherever possible.
 7. Where necessary, wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE).
 8. Always keeping occupied spaces well ventilated.
- **Numbers 1 to 5, and number 8, must be in place in all schools, all the time.**
 - **Number 6 must be properly considered and schools must put in place measures that suit their particular circumstances.**
 - **Number 7 applies in specific circumstances.**

Response to any infection

9. Engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.
 10. Manage confirmed cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) amongst the school community.
 11. Contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice.
- **Numbers 9 to 11 must be followed in every case where they are relevant of actions schools must take.**

The Local Authority message is that school's should maintain a 'balance of thermal comfort' and this is what we are doing taking a caring and sensible approach to mitigate COVID transmission and look after the welfare of the children and staff.

You may be asking what this means at school?

The heating will be on to warm the school building and classrooms before school and whilst the children are outside. During the time the children are in classrooms or occupied spaces, windows and/or doors will be open to ensure there is good ventilation. This will mean that it will be colder in classrooms and so we are asking that children wear layers to school that can be taken off should they become too warm.

Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone who purchased books from our SSQ Virtual Book Fair and helped us to raise a fantastic £60 to spend on books. This year we are hoping to create a Stanton Reading Spine of 100 books that every child has the right to read during their journey at Stanton. We are aiming to initially raise £500 to purchase the books that make up our reading spine, to allow children to easily access and explore these chosen reads. From our sponsored read, World Book Day cake sale and virtual book fair, we have raised £140. Should you have any ideas for fundraising, please do let us know. Many thanks. Mrs Anderson

Fantastic E-books for supporting children during a pandemic

Boom! (the various emotions within one home)

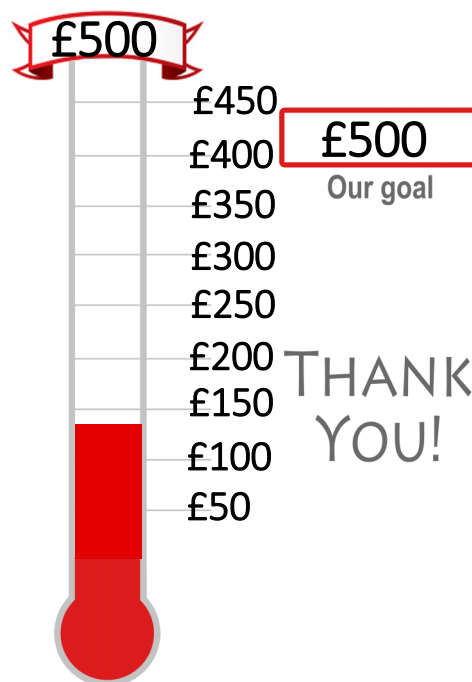
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Lenny and Lily Return to School/Lenny and Lily in Lockdown (wordless picture books)

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Challenge On! Maths Week England



Attendance and Punctuality

We have been asked by a few parents how we record absence should a child be off school due to COVID related circumstances. In these instances children will be marked absent, but there is a special code to recognise absence due to COVID. This includes self isolation.

We appreciate that staggered starts / ends to the school day are not ideal and does mean that some families are waiting for siblings to go into school or leave at different times. Whilst you are waiting, please can I ask that social distancing is maintained, particularly during the forthcoming period of lockdown.

Please try to be punctual for the start time of school. Currently classes are waiting for the whole class to arrive before entering the school, and if children are late, classes are kept waiting. This is something we wish to mitigate, especially as the weather gets colder and wetter.

Thank you for working with us to keep you and your children safe.