

STAMFORD ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

Lovely News!

Mrs Lambert has been successfully appointed to the role of class teacher at a school in Peterborough following her training this year. Although we are very sad to see her leave us, we are delighted for her and very excited about her future within the teaching profession.

Her final day here will be the 27th June 2019. I would like to thank her for all she has done for St Gilbert's in her time with us. She has been a wonderful member of staff and we will greatly miss her.

DIARY DATES

2/06/2019 Churches Together Festival- Y4

13/06/2019 Fathers Day Lunch

14/06/2019 Fathers Day Lunch

14/06/2019 PTA Event- Father's Day Gifting

15/06/2019 Scootathon

Attendance

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Each week we announce the attendance percentages for each class, recognising improvement and the class who has achieved the best attendance!

Congratulations to Milne Class who had 98.67% attendance last week. FANTASTIC!

Foundation Stage

It was lovely to welcome back the Foundation Stage children to Term 6. Many of them look like they have grown over half term! We are continuing with our visits to Year 1 / 2 as part of the transition process to help prepare for September. This week some of the children did paired reading, working with a Year 1 partner which they loved!

Our new topic this term is 'The Seaside'. The children have learnt about what lighthouses are for, and the kind of patterns we see on lighthouses to make them stand out to boats. The children have had a go at designing their own lighthouse and over the course of this term will be transforming their design into a real life model! They have also learnt about light and the electricity needed to make the light. Some of the children have been experimenting with creating a simple circuit using wires, a battery and a bulb. What an exciting start to Term 6!







Key Stage 1

The Year 2 children have been reading 'The Night Shimmy' this week about a boy who has an imaginary friend. The children enjoyed talking about their own imaginary friends and describing what they would do and where they would like to go together. They used lots of powerful language to bring their imaginary friends to life! The Year 1's have been reading 'Growing Radishes' and how to make sure that get a good crop for their delicious, healthy salads! They have enjoyed revisiting old sounds this week and learning new ones. The children have been trying hard to spot them in exciting new vocabulary.

The Year 1.2s have been learning new and exciting methods to make Maths easier! Year 1's have been counting on from 10 with numbers up to 20 and have found grouping into 10's makes adding easier! Year 2's have been starting column addition with 2 two-digit numbers which is making adding larger numbers quicker and more efficient!

In RE, the children have been thinking about how we celebrate Easter and the special meaning that it has. They wrote acrostic poems using the word 'Easter' and were brilliant at using their word hunting skills to find excellent descriptive language from a range of word banks. We thoroughly enjoyed reading their thoughtful and interesting ideas about the celebrations at Easter time.



Key Stage 2

At the beginning of the week in English, the Year 3.4 children were using their inference skills to work out the setting and characters of a mystery story. The children used their descriptive skills to describe pictures from the book using fantastic similes, metaphors, adverbs, adjectives and noun phrases. Towards the end of the week, the children heard half of the story and acted out their prediction of what would happen next. The children all used their imagination and came up with some exciting, possible endings to the story. We can't wait to hear what the actual ending to the story is next week!

We have had a gruesome start to the term by continuing our topic of Egyptians. We had a fantastic week learning about the process of mummification. The children have **fully immersed** themselves into this topic and thoroughly enjoyed learning all the **gory details** that were involved in preserving a dead body. The children learnt lots of interesting facts, including how the brain was pulled out through the nose by a hook! The children then spent time mummifying each other with linen bandages (paper) and used all the steps from the mummification process they had learned. I'm sure you have already been learning lots of gruesome facts at home from your children, so watch out over the next couple of weeks for more!

In Maths this week, the children have been learning all about angles! They have learnt about Acute, Obtuse, Right angles and Reflex angles and different ways to remember what they all look like. The children were **fantastic 'Right angle hunters'** and used their Right angle checkers to check the angles in lots of Regular and Irregular shapes. It was interesting to see who's name had the most angles in the class and there was some **fantastic mathematical discussion** about where and how to find angles on lines, in circles and in quadrilaterals. The children were able to find angles **in real life** and thought about how lots of things are designed to have different types of angles for different purposes. The children **wondered about questions** like: What might happen if a chair had Acute angles where the legs are attached?









Key Stage 2

This week, as Year 6s have journeyed off to JCA, Year 5s have become accountants, managers, buyers, sellers, advisors and even climbers! On Wednesday, they worked on a task to build a washing machine empire and had to decide on the best strategy to make the most amount of profit. Sellers had to bargain and haggle to get the best prices for their products and managers had to keep everyone on task. The buyers had to ensure the correct equipment was available and the accountant kept track of the money throughout the task. A fantastic effort all around.

On Thursday, Year 5 went to Clip and Climb at Wicksteed Park. Their behaviour was exceptional and they did themselves and the school very proud. Everybody had success climbing up and down the walls and the teamwork on some of the climbs was fantastic.

On Friday, the children enjoyed taking part in a hockey morning with Stamford Endowed Schools. It gave the children a chance to develop their skills with a trained coach and they all worked extremely hard throughout the morning.

Well done year 5!













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