



STAMFORD ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

**A Very Warm Welcome Back to All Our Pupils & Parents
and a Big Hello to Our New Families**

DIARY DATES

- 18/09/2019 Year 1 Phonics Information Evening at
16:30 in the Hall
- 20/09/2019 Bourne Grammar School 11+ Test
- 23/09/2019 Big Draw Week
23rd - 27th - Details to follow

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!

Please look out for the class that had the best attendance next week!

Foundation Stage

The children in Foundation Stage have just finished their very first full week at school! We have been so impressed with how well they have already settled into school life, and it's been lovely to see so many happy smiling faces coming through the door each morning.

This week we have been reading the story "Superkid" and thinking about the different ways they are each "super". They have come up with some brilliant ideas in circle time such as "super tidying", "super kind" and "super smiley". We have also had a go at painting our own self portraits. The children looked carefully in a mirror before choosing the right colours they needed for their hair, eyes and face. What a brilliant week!



Key Stage 1

The children in Key Stage 1 have settled in beautifully this term. Over the past week they've been immersing themselves in the world of stories: looking carefully at characterisation and settings.

They've also enjoyed spending time in their new reading corners that both inspire a love of reading and offer a fantastic opportunity to share books with a friend. In the children's words:

"I've loved being able to read a story to my friend, you can also learn new words like dehydrated" Rosie from Donaldson Class.

"The curtains in our reading corner make me feel happy and I like to sit and talk and read with my friends" Amelie

"I like to read The Cat in the Hat in our reading corner" Kornelia

"I like to rate books and I like to sit on the cushions and read" Courtney-Brooke



Key Stage 2

What an amazing start to the year it has been in Year 3/4!

This week, the children have focused on the importance of friendships and what it means to be a good friend. Using the Great British Bake Off as inspiration, the children created some friendship cakes to show all the ingredients of what makes a great friend. We look forward to them presenting their ideas next week to the rest of the class – who will get star baker?

In Maths, we have been using the equipment to represent multiples of 25, 50 and 100 and the children showed great resilience in completing some challenges on Thursday and Friday to apply the skills they had learnt.

Within English and Science lessons we were finding out all about turtles and how people around the world are trying to save them from extinction. We wrote some super sentences about the appearance and the habitat of the turtle and then used our thesaurus skills to change our words for more interesting and exciting ones.

Key Stage 2

In Year 5/6, the children have enjoyed their first session with Mrs Oakley, learning how to play lacrosse! The techniques for throwing and catching were quite tricky to master, but, with some practice, they soon got the hang of it. The children are looking forward to learning about tactical game play and how to referee a lacrosse match themselves.

In RE, the children been discussing worth and worship. They considered what had great worth to them and how they show respect and care for those things or people. Links were made between worth and worship and we had a class discussion about monetary value and non-monetary value. The children were very receptive to the fact that some things are worth more to people than others. Our new talking protocol in the classroom enabled the children to show great attentiveness when they were taking turns to speak, showing that they are listening using their bodies and eye contact.

Following on from this, the children will be practising tongue twisters every day! They are a fabulous way to warm up our voices in a productive way, and ensure we are speaking clearly, using good pronunciation. The daily tongue twister will take place at various points in the day and as we go, we will develop our own twisters linked to our topics. Why not have a go at creating your own tongue twister at home?

Betty Botter's Batter

Betty Botter bought some butter,
But, she said, the butter's bitter;
If I put it in my batter
It will make my batter bitter.
But a bit of better butter,
That would make my batter better.
So she bought a bit of butter
Better than her bitter butter,
And she put it in her batter
And the batter was not bitter.
So t'was better Betty Botter
Bought a bit of better butter.



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Saints Alive!

Please come and join us at the Saints Alive! service where we will be celebrating Harvest.

The service takes place at All Saints' Church, Stamford at 11.15, on Sunday 15th September.

As a Harvest giving, we are asking you bring along items for Stamford Foodbank, particularly:

shower gel	toothpaste	toothbrush
baby bath	shampoo	conditioner
baby shampoo	baby talc	shaving foam
deodorant	bar of soap	baby wipes
toilet rolls	large nappies	washing liquid

Please bring along to the service what you can.

Thank you

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