

Staplehurst School



# NEWSLETTER

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**Staplehurst School is an inclusive community and we do not tolerate bullying – race, gender, disability, sexual orientation or age.**

## SCHOOL NEWS

### SUMMER FAIR NEWS

**1 week to go - let's make it a fantastic day!**

Today pupils came into school in home clothes in support of the Bottle Tombola (6T can wear own clothes next week due to trip). The PTA would like to say a big thank you for the fantastic response.

**Crockery donations:** Please keep bringing in crockery to the School Office for the ever popular Crockery Smash.

**Teddies:** Please bring in any unwanted teddies for a Teddy Stall to help raise money for the Year 6 Leavers' Party.

**Helpers** at the fair could win a bottle of Prosecco or a box of chocolates. Thank you to everyone who's offered help so far. If you haven't put your name down yet, please return your help slips or see the sheets on the classroom doors (just add your name and number in your preferred time slot) or contact Anita Moore on 07967 405021. Don't forget that your children can help and join in on the stall too.

### SPORTS DAY

Weather permitting we are hoping to hold Sports Day this **Tuesday, 4 July**. It will be KS2 (Years 3-6) in the morning and KS1 (Year R,1&2) in the afternoon. Parents are invited to come along and support their children. For KS2 please arrive for 9.15am and for KS1 please arrive for 1.30pm. KS1 pupils please ensure your child has their PE kit, including running shoes with them on that day along with a water bottle, hat and sun cream. Team colour stickers will be provided. KS2 please wear a coloured T-Shirt to represent your house colour. Some of our Year 6 parents will be there to sell Pink Lemonade at 50p per cup.

### YEAR 6 COSTUMES NEEDED

Could parents of Year 6 pupils please ensure that all costumes for the Pirates of the Curry Bean play are in school by Monday 3 July.

### YEAR 5 TRIP TO DRUSILLAS

We need parent helpers for the Year 5 trip to Drusillas on Wednesday 12 July. If you are able to help please contact the office or let one of the class teachers know.

### ASSEMBLY ROTA

Date	KS1 Assembly 9am
7 July	EYrs
14 July	Year 2 Open Afternoon (2pm)

### BLOOMING STAPLEHURST

We have received many compliments on the colourful display at the front of the main building. We are extremely grateful to the hard work of Mrs Ralph and her team of volunteers who work so hard to keep our displays looking so lovely.



### SCHOOL PAYMENTS

All payments for Breakfast Club and lunches should be made in advance. It is important to make payments promptly especially if you have been made aware of an outstanding balance and we ask that you ensure that from this point onwards ALL payments are made **in advance**; you can make payments online or by cheque / cash.

### LITTLE PRINCESS TRUST



Betheny in 3S is fundraising for the Princess Trust by cutting 30cm of her hair to donate for children with cancer so that a wig can be made for a child. She is having her hair cut at the Hair Boutique in Staplehurst at 3:30pm on 5 July. Betheny has raised over £200 already but would really like to reach her target of £500. If you would like to make a donation for Betheny we have a sponsor form in the office.

### SCHOOL DINNER ROTA

w/c 03.07.17 Year 4, 5, 6, 3  
w/c 10.07.17 Year 5, 6, 3, 4

## YEAR 2 MAKE SMOOTHIES

Year 2 had a lot of fun today with our Contract Dining Company who came in to help the children prepare and make smoothies. They were delicious!



## ATTENDANCE

The Department for Education's target for attendance is 96%. We always strive for 100%.

### Whole school attendance

For week beginning 26 June was **93.58%**.

### Class attendance

Special congratulations to **6L Lions** who achieved the highest attendance for the week with **97.86%**.

## MENU CHANGE

Contract Dining are holding a Summer Fun Week themed menu, week commencing 10 July. The menu for that week will be as follows:

### **Monday 10 July**

Burgers in a Bun  
Cauliflower Cheese  
Peas  
Herby Diced Potatoes  
Mixed Salad  
Chocolate Mousse

### **Tuesday 11 July**

Pizza Selection  
Garlic Bread  
Italian Pasta  
Sweetcorn  
Fruit Jelly

### **Wednesday 12 July**

Roast Chicken  
Quorn Fillets  
Roast Potatoes  
Carrots & Green Beans  
Vanilla Ice Cream

### **Thursday 13 July**

Chicken Strips  
Jacket Potatoes with Cheese & Beans  
Sauté Potatoes  
Baked Beans  
Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce

### **Friday 14 July**

Fish Fingers & Tomato Sauce  
Quorn Sausages  
Chunky Chips  
Baked Beans  
Fruit Lollies

Mixed Salad and Fruit Yoghurts available daily

## HAVE YOU THOUGHT OF BECOMING A SCHOOL GOVERNOR?

The School currently has vacancies on its Governing Body and would be very interested to hear from anyone who thinks they might have the time and commitment to join.

Together with the Headteacher, the Governing Body has overall responsibility for the running of the school. The Governing Body has a largely strategic role, providing advice and support whilst delegating day-to-day management to the Headteacher and her Senior Leadership Team. The role is voluntary and no special qualifications are needed (although relevant skill-sets may be taken into account). The most important thing is to be prepared to play an active part in the Governing Body's work. For the current vacancies, which are for Co-opted Governors, candidates will be appointed by the existing members of the Governing Body. New Governors are mentored by an experienced Governor and also supported through online training and external training run by KCC.

The Governing Body meets six times per year, usually on a Wednesday evening. There is also an expectation that Governors will join a committee – these also meet six times per year, usually on Wednesdays at 8am. All Governors take part in one 'Governor Day' per year when they can experience a typical day in the life of the school. There is also the opportunity to become a 'Link Governor', taking a particular interest in a Curriculum subject or another aspect of school life. Governors serve for a period of four years, although they may resign at any time.

If you are interested and would like more information, please contact the school on 01580 891765 (term time only) or email [clerktogovernors@staplehurst.kent.sch.uk](mailto:clerktogovernors@staplehurst.kent.sch.uk). A person specification and application can be downloaded from [www.staplehurstschool.co.uk/governors.php](http://www.staplehurstschool.co.uk/governors.php). The deadline for applications is Thursday, 31 August 2017.

Please be aware that, because Governors have access to children, an application for an Enhanced Criminal Record Certificate will need to be made on appointment.

## YEAR 5 – PESE 2018 (11+ KENT TEST)

Registration for the 11+ closes at midnight on Monday 3 July. Parents are able to register online by visiting [www.kent.gov.uk/ola](http://www.kent.gov.uk/ola).

## MIDDAY SUPERVISORS

Is your child now at school? Are you looking for a little part time job, during term time? In September we will have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor, 5 hours a week. If you would like to find out more information about joining our friendly dedicated team then please contact Mrs Zimmer in the office. Thank you.

## YEAR 6 HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT

Parents of our current Year 6 children will need to apply to Kent County Council for transport to secondary schools using Form T1. You can apply online [www.kent.gov.uk/schooltransport](http://www.kent.gov.uk/schooltransport) or paper copies are available from the office. Applications must be made by the end of July to ensure the travel pass is ready for the start of term in September.

## SUMMER ACTIVITY FOLDER

The Summer Activity Folder is on display in reception. We are beginning to receive information about holiday activities. Please do come in and take a look to see if there is anything your child may like to do.

## PTA NEWS

### WINNER OF GUESS THE PASTA!

The pasta has been counted and verified and we can now reveal there were 379 Spiralis in the jar. Our winner is Ronnie from 1G, who guessed 381. Ronnie wins a 3 course meal for two at the Stile Bridge Pub and will also receive a chocolate for taking part. A total of £53.90 was raised for the school. Thank you to everyone who took part.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### STAPLEHURST FAMILY FIREWORKS 'DESIGN OUR TICKET COMPETITION'

Staplehurst Family Fireworks are holding a competition for a local child to design their 'Monster Family Fireworks' tickets. The winning entry will be used as the main design for the entry tickets on the nights, and also be displayed on various advertisements around the village. The winner will receive 2 adult and 2 child tickets! For more information please see the entry form with this newsletter.

### MESSY CHURCH

Tomorrow, Saturday 1 July, from 3.30 – 6pm, it's Messy Church at Staplehurst United Reformed Church. Why not join them for their traditional end of (school) year celebration before they break for the summer. There will be a family Treasure Hunt and a BBQ. Please meet at the Church between 3.30 and 4pm, where you will receive your hunting instructions.

### STAPLEHURST UNDER5s

On Monday 3 July, from 9.30 to 11am Staplehurst Under 5s Playgroup are holding an Open Morning. Why not pop along and meet the children, staff and committee members and experience all the wonderful activities they have to offer. Refreshments will be available.

### CRANBROOK OUT OF SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLUB

Cranbrook Primary School are opening a Holiday Club for 4 weeks during the summer holiday on the following Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays: July 25-27 and Aug 1-3, 8-10, 15-17.

Full day (9am - 6pm) is £23.50 but half days and breakfast are also available. All staff have enhanced DBS certificates and are qualified First Aiders.

For enquiries and bookings please telephone: 01580 720437 or email: [oosc@cranbrook-cep.kent.sch.uk](mailto:oosc@cranbrook-cep.kent.sch.uk)

### ITV'S 'LITTLE BIG SHOTS'

This TV show, hosted by Dawn French and aired on ITV, celebrates young talent and funny, entertaining children – from teeny tap dancers to dinosaur experts, from viral superstars to acrobats, impressionists to comedians, from superb singers to Rubik's Cube speed champions,

mathematicians to sensational spellers. Please note that this is not a competition or game show. Whether individuals, duos or groups of youngsters, the only rule is that the child is between the ages of 3 and 13.

The producers of the show are looking for performers aged between 3 and 14 and would love to know if you think your child could be a potential Little Big Shot! The link to the applications page is:

[https://www.walltowall.co.uk/casting/little-big-shots\\_1019.aspx](https://www.walltowall.co.uk/casting/little-big-shots_1019.aspx)

Clips from the first series of the show are on the YouTube channel and the link can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0SFwkGIQonIP69Lb9Gdb-w>

### BOARDTREADERS

From September, Boardtreaders Stage School will be staging performances of popular musical shows at Colliers Green Primary School. Sessions are on Saturdays from 10am to 1pm during term times. For more information contact the team on 07743 350843 or via email: [boardtreaders.info@gmail.com](mailto:boardtreaders.info@gmail.com).

## DIARY DATES

### Tuesday 11 July

Year 6 Leavers' Performance to Parents (1.45pm)

### Wednesday 12 July

Year 6 Leavers' Performance to Parents (7pm)

### Wednesday 19 July

Year 6 Leavers' Party

### Thursday 20 July

Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2pm  
End of Term

### Friday 21 July

INSET Day

### WITH THIS NEWSLETTER

Family Fireworks Ticket Competition Entry Form

### ADMIN

**Online payments** - This is the preferred method. Please pay online for School Dinners, Breakfast Club, Trips, Swimming, Uniform and Equipment.

**Dinner Money queries and payments** - Please contact Maxine on 07501 007835.

**School Uniform** - Uniform can be ordered and paid for online (orders will be sent home with your child). The Uniform Shop is open anytime, but **please avoid Monday mornings and Friday afternoons**. Thank you.