

Staplehurst School



NEWSLETTER

PRIDE

Positivity

Respect

Independence

Determination

Excellence

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

SCHOOL NEWS

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

"Children always come first. They are our future."

Dear Parents and Carers

Another great week of learning and opportunity here at Staplehurst School! We began the week with an exciting Science Assembly by the Future Schools Trust which allowed the children to explore concepts in a fun and exciting way. Over the week children across the school have all been very busy publishing their high quality writing linked to their core texts and class topics – the learning is stunning due to the level of creativity and precision that the children have demonstrated. The week has ended with a 'Space Day' in EYFS which was a celebration of their superb learning this term culminating with a trip to the moon.

I am looking forward to welcoming parents to our forum next Tuesday. Please sign up if you have not had an opportunity to do so already. This will allow us to partner together to further improve our school.

After the holidays there is an exciting opportunity for any parents/carers or friends of Staplehurst who wish to train to teach. We will be holding a 'get into teaching' information event at school on Tuesday 23 April at 7pm - we would love see you there.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Davenport
Headteacher

CURRICULUM NEWS

EARLY YEARS SPACE DAY

This morning we welcomed the parents of children in Early Years to their Space Day Celebration Assembly. The children and staff looked out of this world in their astronaut costumes and the parents enjoyed hearing all about the facts the children had learnt about this exciting topic.



YEAR 2

Thank you to those parents who attended the information session on the KS1 SATs for Year 2. We hope you found it helpful and for those parents who were unable to make it we have put the presentation pack on our website.

<https://www.staplehurstschool.co.uk/pupil-ezone/events-blog/item/49-year-2-sats-presentation>



YEAR 4

This week, Year 4 have been making dragon eyes in clay! The children will be painting them next week after they have dried. They used different instruments to help them create different shapes and indentations.



SCHOOL INFORMATION

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

Date	Class	Time/Location
3 May	3T12	2.30pm Junior Hall
10 May	3G11	2.30pm Junior Hall
7 Jun	2O9	9.00am Infant Hall
14 Jun	2KS8	9.00am Infant Hall

DIARY DATES

Forthcoming events at Staplehurst School:

Tuesday 2 April

Parents' Forum (2.15pm)

Thursday 4 April

SATs and Kingswood Meeting (6pm)

Friday 5 April

End of Term 4

Tuesday 23 April

Term 5 begins

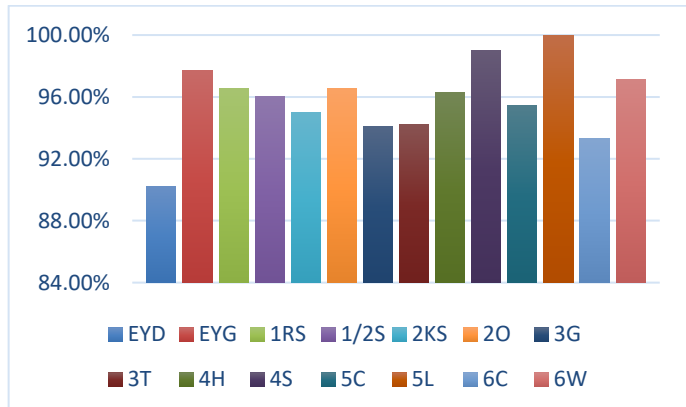
SCHOOL DINNER ROTA

w/c 01.04.19 Year 6, 5, 4

w/c 23.04.19 Year 5, 4, 6

ATTENDANCE

CONGRATULATIONS - TO THE AMAZING LEWIS CLASS 5L – 100% attendance – you are setting the standard and we are very proud of you. Punctuality and good attendance is important to establish positive habits as children, develop, grow and move on to their next stage.



INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS

We are now in a position to be able to offer more instrumental lessons at school. If your child would like the opportunity to learn the guitar, piano, ukulele, drum or violin please contact Sam Laming on [07754 996080](tel:07754996080) or email samlaming@hotmail.com to discuss his rates and availability.

Sam has over ten years of teaching experience and currently teaches guitar to our year 5.

LOST PROPERTY

We have numerous items clothing in lost property, including jumpers, cardigans and coats. We can only return items of clothing which are named, so if you have mislaid any items please come and ask if they have been found.

VACANCY – Clerk to the Governing Body

We have a vacancy for a Clerk to the Governing Body and we are looking for an organised person with excellent interpersonal and literacy skills, who can work well as part of a team. They should also be able to maintain confidentiality at all times.

The role is part time, with the number of hours varying week to week but can be 12-15 hours per month, term time only.

The successful applicant will be expected to work from home and have access to a computer and the internet. They will need to organise and take minutes of Governors' meetings at the school, which usually take place at 8am or 6.30pm. For a full job description or to have an informal chat, please contact:

clerktogovernors@staplehurst.kent.sch.uk or call the office on 01580 891765.

PTA NEWS

SCHOOL DISCOS

Tonight is Disco Night. Please don't worry if you have missed the ladies selling tickets as you will be able to purchase them on the door.

Years 1, 2 & 3 Disco 4.30pm to 5.45pm £4 entry ticket only.

Years 4, 5, & 6 Disco 6pm to 7.30pm £4 entry ticket only.

There will be a tuck shop open at both discos where children can purchase drinks (50p), crisps (30p) and sweets (20p). Water will also be freely available. Children will also be able to buy light pendants for £1.

Please note: parents/carers are not permitted to attend the discos and children should not bring mobile phones.

Parents/Carers will drop their child at the door of the Junior Hall with their completed entry ticket. **Please complete the contact details in advance to avoid delays on the door.**

Children will enter the hall where there will be teachers and PTA members on hand to look after and assist them at their age-related disco.

At the end of the discos, Parents/Carers will be able to come into the hall where children will be sitting in their year groups. Children will not be allowed to leave unless accompanied by an adult.

300 CLUB

It's not too late to join in the fun so if you fancy a chance to win please complete the 300 club form (available from the office) and return to school with £7 per number for membership for the next 7 draws.

COMMUNITY NEWS

EASTER COFFEE MORNING

Tomorrow, Saturday, 30 March there will be an Easter Coffee Morning at the United Reformed Church between 10am and 12.30pm. There will be coffee, cakes, crafts, chocolate, plants and much more on offer. Please pop along, browse the stalls, enjoy a coffee and a chat and let

the children make a free sun catcher or Easter craft whilst helping to raise funds for mental health provision at Staplehurst School.

MESSY CHURCH EASTER HUNT

Staplehurst URC Messy Church are going to be hiding chicks 🐣 around the village and all you have to do is find them. They'll be hiding between 30 March and Easter Messy Church (Saturday 6 April) so look carefully around the shops and windows to spot them. Collect your chick 🐣 hunt list from the URC Spring Coffee morning on the 30 March (and stay and enjoy the stalls and refreshments then) or collect a copy from the school office. Fill in where you find each named chick 🐣 and bring it to Easter Messy Church from 3.30-6pm on the 6 April for an Easter prize and to enjoy crafts, songs and the Easter story together, followed by tea. Happy hunting and the Messy Church Team look forward to seeing you on the 6 April.

ENSONGLOPEDIA OF ANIMALS

On Saturday 20 April, Frittenden Memorial Hall are holding John Hinton's EnSONGlopedia of Animals at 3.00pm. This is a musical comedy with 26 animal songs. Tickets cost £6.50 or £23 for a family ticket (2 adults, 2 children) and are on sale at the Bell & Jorrocks and Acorns Village Stores, Frittenden or www.frittendenevents.co.uk