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Newsletter – January 2024

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Thank you to everyone for attending the numerous events throughout December which helped to end 2023 on a high. I hope everyone is enjoying the holidays and is entering 2024 feeling optimistic about the year ahead. As a school, we have lots to look forward to. Our spring term (11 weeks) is much shorter than our autumn term (15 weeks), and is often the time when our pupils are most focused. Staff, enthused and ready, have spent time over their holidays preparing for the new term and are looking forward to welcoming the children back into their classes on Monday 8th January.

<u>PTFA</u>

Our PTFA were extremely busy throughout December and their efforts were supported by you all – thank you for your kind donations, attendance, participation and engagement. It helped to make the run-in to Christmas an enjoyable one. We also raised lots of money for school!

Christian Value

Our Christian value this half-term in perseverance. Mrs. Wyer will use her weekly Collective Worships to link acts of perseverance with Bible stories.

Safeguarding

All three classes will be *'exploring emotions,'* during their PSHE lessons this term. Children will develop strategies for managing their feelings as well as understanding ways to communicate how they are feeling to others. They will also discuss how their behaviour can affect others.

Online Safety Workshop. On **Monday 12th February**, Mrs. Wyer will deliver a workshop for parents highlighting many of the risks and dangers that children may face whilst online. Strategies and preventative measures to help keep our children safe will also be discussed. The workshop will take place in school at 5pm, and – given the increasing amount of time children appear to be spending online – it is hoped that as many of you as possible can make it.

Stanton Star

Congratulations to Lucy who was awarded our Stanton Star in December. We are all extremely proud of her and of the fine example she sets for her classmates. Keep up the great work, Lucy!













Walking 5,000 miles to Kolkata

Thank you to the families that met at Friden and walked along the High Peak Trail to Parsley Hay before Christmas. 25 of us added a total of 110 miles to our 5,000 mile target.

I'm sure many of you have been out during the holidays. If children could bring their mileage in on their return to school, that would be great.

With 3 weeks to go before the trip – we need a big push to meet our 5,000 mile target. Pupils will have the opportunity to join me and run/walk daily miles during lunch breaks, and January new year's resolutions will hopefully provide some motivation for us all to get out into the hills and contribute miles to our total.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/walking-5000-miles-tokolkata?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_lico+share-sheet

Before the visit at the end of this month, children will be learning about life in India as well as working together to create small packages for the children in Kolkata. The packages will include friendship bracelets, drawings, letters (which some of our children will translate into Bengali and Hindi) and a list of questions that they would like answering.

During the visit, children will engage in daily video calls live from the school in Kolkata as well as completing their curriculum subjects which will be centered around India.

<u>Swimming</u>

The Year 5 and Year 6 pupils will have their first of five consecutive lessons on Wednesday 17th January.

Any parents, who are able to travel on the bus to swimming with the children and Miss. Prystupa, please complete the form attached – your help is appreciated.

Sport at Stanton

Our next sporting event will be on **Thursday 18th January** – the Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics competition in Sheffield.

For this event, the pupils will travel to and from the venue in Sheffield by coach and will arrive back at school around 3:30pm. Please complete the relevant form attached to the newsletter and confirm who will be picking your child up from school at the slightly later time.

The Year 5s and 6s will also be competing in the cluster schools' netball tournament in Great Longstone on **Thursday 1st February.**

The pupils will travel by coach to the netball. Please complete the relevant form attached to the newsletter and confirm who will be picking your child up from Great Longstone. The competition is scheduled to finish at 3pm. As always, we encourage car-sharing wherever possible. If you are having difficulties arranging transport, please contact the school office for support.

Arrangements for the Closure of School

A reminder that - in the event snow or treacherous weather conditions - you will be notified via ParentHub. The school website will also be updated <u>www.stantoninpeakschool.co.uk</u>. We will make an early decision to minimise disruption.

Amazon Wish List

An idea shared by parents on our PTFA, was to set-up an Amazon wish list. By following the link below you will find items listed by class teachers which we plan to use with our classes to help enrich our curriculum and pupil experiences. If you would like to contribute – please follow the link below. The list will be updated throughout each half-term.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2HDM5DU5RK3NO?ref =wl share

Paper Copy

Many people find having paper copy of the newsletter easier – if you would like one, please contact the school office.

And finally ...

Please continue to contact me by phone, in person or via email: <u>j.figg@peaktorfederation.co.uk</u> or Hannah in the school office: <u>h.steventon@peaktorfederation.co.uk</u> if you have any queries about any of the items listed within the newsletter. Class teachers are always available and willing to discuss matters regarding your child's well-being or attainment and can be contacted directly or caught at the school gates either before or after school.

Yours sincerely,

Johnathon Figg

Deputy Headteacher

Term Dates and INSET days 2023/2024

Remaining INSET Days (2023-2024)

Term 6 (Summer 2)

June 21st and 24th

2023/2024 Academic Year

Spring 1: 8 January 2024 to 16 February 2024 (30 days)
Spring 2: 26 February 2024 to 28 March 2024 (24 days)
Summer 1: 15 April 2024 to 24 May 2024 (6 May 2024 is a bank holiday) (29 days)
Summer 2: 3 June 2024 to 23 July 2024 (37 days)

Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Who's involved	
	JANUARY		
Monday 8 th	School Opens – Start of Spring 1	Whole School	
Wednesday 17 th	Swimming (first of 5 consecutive weeks)	Year 5 and 6	
Thursday 18 th	Sportshall Athletics	Year 5 and 6 Pupils	
Friday 26 th	India School Visit	Mr. Figg	
	FEBRUARY		
Thursday 1 st	Netball	Year 5 and 6 Pupils	
Monday 12 th	Online Safety Workshop for Parents	Parents	
Friday 16 th	Last Day of Spring Term 1	Whole School	

Sporting Events 2023/2024

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
		January	
Y5/6	Sportshall Athletics	Thursday 18 th	Graves Health and Tennis Club, S8 8JR
		February	
Y5/6	Netball	Thursday 1 st	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
		March	
Y1/2/3/4	Dance Festival	Thursday 7 th	The Medway Centre, Bakewell DE45 1DY
Y5/6	Hockey	Thursday 21 st	Tideswell Bishop Purseglove SK17 8NE
		April	
Y3/4	Summer Sports	Thursday 25 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN
	and Mini Tennis	May	
		May	
Y5/6	Cricket	Thursday 16 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN
		June	
R/Y1/2	Cricket Skills	Thursday 27 th	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
		July	
Y5/6	Rounders	Thursday 11 th	Rowsley Sports Field DE4 2EE

Swimming ROTA – January - March 2024

If you can help with the swimming rota, please add your name and return the sheet. I will then compile a final rota and send it out

SWIMMING DATES	NAME: Wednesday pm – swimming bus leaves Stanton at 1:00pm and
Thank you for volunteering	returns approx. 2:30pm. Helpers are welcome to wait in school until the end of the school day.
Spring 1 – Year 5 and 6	
17 th January	
24 th January	
31 st January	
7 th February	
14 th February	
Spring 2 – Year 2, 3 and 4	
28 th February	
6 th March	
13 th March	
20 th March	
27 th March	

Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics Competition at the Graves Health and Tennis Club, Sheffield.

I give permission for my child ______ to participate in the Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics Competition at The Graves Health and Tennis Club, Sheffield on **Thursday 18th January** and to be transported there and back via coach.

I/	will collect my child from
school at 3:30pm:	

Signed: _____

Year 5 and 6 Netball Competition at Longstone Primary School.

I give permission for my child ______ to participate in the year 5 and 6 Netball competition at Longstone Primary School on **Thursday 1st February** and to be transported there via coach.

I/____

_____ will collect my child from

Great Longstone Primary School **DE45 1TZ** at 3pm:

Signed: _____