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## **Newsletter – March 2024**

Dear Parents,

The holidays marked the half-way point in our school year (where has time gone?). Signs of spring are beginning to show and, as we get ready to turn our clocks forward (Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March), we can all look forward to lighter nights and a change in weather.

Our new school website is now live – hopefully this will make it easier for you to access relevant information, and keep up-to-date with things at school: <https://www.stantoninpeakschool.co.uk/>

### **Christian Value**

Our Christian value for this half-term is 'justice' before leading into Lent and Easter –  
*"Goodness is stronger than evil."* John 18-19.

### **Safeguarding**

Thank you to everyone who attended Mrs. Wyer's Online Safety Workshop on February 12<sup>th</sup>. For anyone who was unable to attend and would like to access the information covered, please use the link below to view the information on our school website:

<https://www.stantoninpeakschool.co.uk/page/?title=Online+Safety&pid=32>

In addition to the parent workshop, Mrs. Wyer also delivered an online safety collective worship as part of Safer Internet Day 2024.

### **Parents' Evening**

A reminder that parents' evening will be held in school on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February**. Thank you to everyone who has returned their forms – class teachers will distribute your appointment slots on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Swimming**

The **Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4** pupils will resume their swimming lessons this half-term - their first of 5 consecutive lessons beginning **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February**.

Thank you to those who have volunteered to accompany Miss. Prystupa and the class. **We are in need of more volunteers** - 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.

### **Music and Changes to Weekly Timetable Beginning Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

The Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 pupils will (finally) begin their ukulele lessons this month – their first of 15 sessions beginning **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**. Due to the availability of the ukulele teachers, lessons will take place during Friday afternoons. To accommodate this, we ask that all pupils (**Reception – Year 6**) arrive in school on **Thursdays** wearing their **Forest Schools kit** and come to school in their **PE kit** on **Fridays**. (This change will take place from the week commencing 26.2.24.)

Pupils will be encouraged to take their instruments home to practice. Please ensure they have their ukuleles in school every Friday so that they can take part in the lesson. To ensure accountability for each instrument, additional forms will be sent home for parents to sign.

### World Book Day

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**, our school will celebrate World Book Day. Throughout the day, children and their teachers will engage in a range of different activities centered around reading. Children are also encouraged to arrive at school dressed as their favourite book character. As we know, this can sometimes cause unwanted stress at home – children can wear their own clothes or pyjamas as an alternative. **As we are currently having our forest schools sessions on Thursday afternoons to accommodate the KS2 music lessons, our session on the 7<sup>th</sup> March will involve the children taking their reading books into the woods and creating a comfortable place to read (either to themselves or to their friends). Depending on how elaborate your child's World Book Day costume is, you may wish to send a change of clothing. Appropriate footwear and warm, waterproof coats are a must.** Year 3 and 4 pupils will require their PE kits in school as they will be participating in the Dance Festival in Bakewell during the afternoon.

### Comic Relief

On **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**, to help raise money for Comic Relief, we will have a non-uniform day in school – pupils are asked to bring a small cash donation. Our School Parliament will help organise teambuilding activities for the pupils to take part in throughout the day.

### Sport at Stanton

We have two sporting events this month:

The Year 3 and 4 pupils will have the opportunity to share the hard work they have been putting into their PE lessons as they compete in the Dance Festival at **Bakewell Junior School** (DE45 1FR) on **Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup>**. **Please note – that there has been a last-minute change to the location of this event** and it is no longer at Bakewell Medway Centre.

The Year 5 and 6 pupils will travel to Tideswell and compete in the Hockey tournament on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March**.

The pupils will travel by coach to both events. Please can parents complete the relevant forms attached to the newsletter and confirm who will be picking your child up from the venues. As always, the competitions are scheduled to finish at 3pm. We encourage car-sharing wherever possible and if you are having difficulties arranging transport, please contact the school office for support.

### Easter Service

Our Easter Service will take place in church on Maundy Thursday (**28<sup>th</sup> March**) at 2pm. As always, the children and staff will look forward to sharing the celebration with you all. We hope lots of you can make it.

### Kolkata

Travelling to India and spending time in Kolkata was an incredible experience and one which I have enjoyed sharing with the children. On return, I feel it is incredibly important to shine a light into their culture. The children (at both schools) have enjoyed exchanging letters and friendship bracelets and I am looking forward to keeping the link between Bhowanipore and Stanton strong. If you are interested, and have not yet read my blog – please visit the school Instagram page or our school website: <https://www.stantoninpeakschool.co.uk/page/?title=India+Link&pid=96>

### Amazon Wish List

Our Amazon wish list will continually be updated in line with the topics and activities planned throughout each term. A huge thank you to those who have already used it. Should you wish to contribute, please visit: [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2HDM5DU5RK3NO?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2HDM5DU5RK3NO?ref_=wl_share)

### Paper Copy and Additional Copies

Many people find having a 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: [j.figg@peaktorfederation.co.uk](mailto:j.figg@peaktorfederation.co.uk) or Hannah in the school office: [h.steventon@peaktorfederation.co.uk](mailto:h.steventon@peaktorfederation.co.uk) 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 21<sup>st</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>

#### 2023/2024 Academic Year

**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
<b>MARCH</b>		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day	Whole School
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Festival	Year 3 and Year 4
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Comic Relief	Whole School
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Hockey	Year 5 and Year 6
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Service	Whole School
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Spring term 2	Whole School
<b>APRIL</b>		
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	School Opens – Start of Summer Term 1	Whole School
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Sports and Mini Tennis	Year 3 and Year 4
<b>MAY</b>		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>	Whole School
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 SATS Week	Year 6
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket	Year 5 and Year 6
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Summer Term 1	Whole School
<b>JUNE</b>		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	School Opens – Start of Summer Term 2	Whole School
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	Multiplication Test Window	Year 4
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	Boggle Hole Residential	Year 5 and Year 6
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Greenaway Reading Project	Year 5 and Year 6
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>INSET DAY</b>	Whole School
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET DAY</b>	Whole School
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket Skills	Recep. Year 1 and Year 2
<b>JULY</b>		
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rounders	Year 5 and Year 6
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Leavers' Service	Whole School
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Last Day of Summer Term 2	Whole School

### Sporting Events 2023/2024

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
<b>March</b>			
Y3/4	Dance Festival	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bakewell Junior School <b>DE45 1FR</b>
Y5/6	Hockey	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Tideswell Bishop Pursegrove <b>SK17 8NE</b>
<b>April</b>			
Y3/4	Summer Sports and Mini Tennis	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Youlgrave Sports Field <b>DE45 1WN</b>
<b>May</b>			
Y5/6	Cricket	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Youlgrave Sports Field <b>DE45 1WN</b>
<b>June</b>			
R/Y1/2	Cricket Skills	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Longstone Primary <b>DE45 1TZ</b>
<b>July</b>			
Y5/6	Rounders	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Rowsley Sports Field <b>DE4 2EE</b>

## Swimming ROTA – February - May 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

<b>SWIMMING DATES</b> Thank you for volunteering	<b>NAME:</b> Wednesday pm – swimming bus leaves Stanton at 1:00pm and returns approx. 2:30pm. Helpers are welcome to wait in school until the end of the school day.
<b>Spring 2 – Year 2, 3 and 4</b>	
28 <sup>th</sup> February	This slot has been filled – thank you
6 <sup>th</sup> March	This slot has been filled – thank you
13 <sup>th</sup> March	This slot has been filled – thank you
20 <sup>th</sup> March	
27 <sup>th</sup> March	This slot has been filled – thank you
<b>Summer 1 – Year 2, 3 and 4</b>	(NB: due to KS2 SATs – the Y2,3,4 continue swimming this term. Year 5 and 6 pupils complete their third block throughout summer 2)
24 <sup>th</sup> April	
1 <sup>st</sup> May	
8 <sup>th</sup> May	
15 <sup>th</sup> May	
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	

### Year 5 and 6 Hockey Competition at Tideswell Bishop Purseglove School .

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Year 5 and 6 Hockey competition at Tideswell Bishop Purseglove School on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March**, and to be transported there via coach.

I/\_\_\_\_\_ will collect my child from Tideswell Bishop Purseglove SK17 8NE at 3pm:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Year 3 and 4 Dance Competition at Bakewell Junior School (DE45 1FR)

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I/\_\_\_\_\_ will collect my child from Bakewell Junior School (DE45 1FR) at 3pm:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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