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Newsletter - December 2025

Dear parents and members of our school community,

Thank you to all who joined us for our Christmas decorating afternoon – we hope it helped bring a little festive cheer your way. December is always a lively month at school, and we have plenty of exciting things ahead. A reminder that Monday 1st of December is a school inset day.

Christian Value

Mrs. Wyer is currently focusing on the Christian value 'Trust' during her weekly collective worships. Bible teachings centered around: knowing our friends will support us (Ecclesiastes 4.9-10); knowing Jesus is with us in stormy times (Mark 2.13-15); standing on God's promises (Psalm 18.2); being trustworthy, not gossiping (Proverbs 11.13); and trusting God (Isaiah 49.16) will help guide the weekly worships and support the children's understanding.

Safeguarding

As we step into the festive season, it is important to remember that safeguarding continues to be a key priority - helping to ensure this time of year is safe and enjoyable for everyone. If any families are experiencing financial difficulties or have safeguarding concerns within their family or extended family, please don't hesitate to reach out to myself or Mrs. Wyer. We can help connect you with professional support services.

Swimming

The Juniors' final swim session this term will be on **Wednesday 3rd December**.

Lessons will resume in the New Year, with their first of 5 consecutive lessons on **Wednesday 14th January**. A new rota for parent volunteers to accompany the children is attached to the bottom of this newsletter. Once again - thank you to everyone who volunteers. Your support is essential and is very much appreciated.

Pantomime

All three classes and their teachers will travel to Buxton Opera House on **Monday 8th December**. Staff and pupils will travel by coach to Buxton for the performance of Aladdin. Children are asked to bring a packed-lunch and drink, along with a small snack (if desired). As the performance begins at 10am, our coach will leave Stanton promptly at 9:00am.

Christmas Fair

This year, our Christmas fair will take place in school on **Wednesday 10th December (1:15pm- 3pm)**.

Children are asked to arrive wearing their school uniform; however, instead of their school jumpers – pupils may wear **Christmas jumpers** if they wish.

Our pupils all look forward to this event. In the days leading to the fair, the children work together to create games for their friends and families to engage with. This is always a fantastic afternoon, lots of fun and raises lots of money for our PTFA.



SPRING 2017
OUTSTANDING CHURCH SCHOOL



Teas and coffees will be served, and we look forward to welcoming you all into school.

Any parents, who have time to bake cakes, buns or healthy snacks that can be sold during the afternoon, are encouraged to do so (thank you).

A reminder that our PTFA are also organising a raffle. Tickets will be sold and drawn during the afternoon – if anyone has any prizes they would like to donate, please pass them on to Hayley (Thea's mum).

Infant Nativity

The infant class will perform their nativity to parents and family members on **Thursday 11th December**.

There will be two performances (both taking place in **Stanton Holy Trinity Church**):

Afternoon performance 1:15pm.

Evening performance 5:15pm (Please can children performing the play return to church no later than 5:00pm so that they are ready for the evening performance.)

Our PTFA will be serving teas, coffees and mince pies from inside the church before each performance.

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party

This year, the children's Christmas Dinner and Christmas Party will be held on the same day - **Wednesday 17th December**. Throughout the afternoon, our pupils will play party games and (hopefully) receive a special visit from a very special someone. This day will be a non-uniform day (if possible, a £1 donation towards our PTFA funds) and children are encouraged to wear their 'party clothes.'

Christmas Church Service

On the penultimate day of term (**Thursday 18th December**), pupils and staff invite you all to join us in Stanton's Holy Trinity Church for our Christmas service, where we will come together to sing carols and hear Bible readings, reminding us of the real reason we celebrate Christmas. The service will begin at 2pm. We hope to see as many of you in church as possible.

Sport at Stanton

Tag Rugby Champions!

WOW! What an afternoon at Great Longstone! Last month, our Year 5s and 6s participated in the cluster schools' Tag Rugby Tournament and were victorious. Following years of dominance in the competition the children were motivated to retain the trophy for yet another year, and they didn't disappoint. Our Stanton Stags beat Tideswell, Baslow, and Great Longstone's A team on their route to the final, before beating a strong Longstone B team in a fiercely competitive match.

Our Year 5 and 6 girls were also incredible throughout the afternoon. Competing in their first tag rugby tournament, the girls showed tremendous teamwork, grit and determination throughout the afternoon. They were desperately unlucky not to make it through to the semi-finals, but came away with a great sense of togetherness and achievement. The girls have agreed to continue playing tag-rugby during lunchtimes and we will look forward to arranging more fixtures for them in the new year.

Our next sporting event is the Year 5 and 6 Sportshall Athletics in January.

For this event, the pupils will travel to and from the venue in Sheffield by coach and will arrive back at school between **3:30pm and 3:45pm**.

Year 5 and 6 India Fundraiser

£222! That's how much our fabulous Year 5 and 6 girls raised during their fundraising event this half-term.

Eager to make a difference to those who need it most, the girls spent several weeks meticulously planning the event before finally bringing it all together in school.

Pupils across the school enjoyed having their faces painted and playing games as well as buying teddies, drawings and toys from the jumble sale. They also enjoyed spending their loose change on the homemade cakes which the girls and their families had taken time to bake the night before.

Thank you to everyone who supported their event. The girls plan on buying water filters for the children in Kolkata and are currently enjoying researching the products.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evening and for sharing your thoughts on how your children are engaging with school life. As always - we truly value your feedback and use the insights from these conversations to continue encouraging, motivating and inspiring your children in their learning journey.

Arrangements for the Closure of School

Now that the winter months are upon us and the likelihood of snow increases, please remember that any updates regarding school closures will be communicated via ParentHub. We will always aim to make an early decision to minimise disruption; however, please be assured that we will do our utmost to keep the school open wherever possible, while carefully considering the safety of our staff, pupils and their families.

And finally ...

Thank you for your continued support. With lots going on throughout December, staff and pupils are looking forward to getting into the Christmas spirit. We hope you are too.

As always, if you have any worries, concerns or general questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone, in person or via email at j.figg@peaktorfederation.co.uk, or by ringing or emailing the school office (01629 636 301 enquiries.stanton@peaktorfederation.co.uk).

Mrs. Wyer (a.wyer@peaktorfederation.co.uk) and your child's class teachers are also available to discuss any matters relating to your child's well-being or progress - either contact them directly or speak to them at the school gates before or after school.

Yours sincerely,

Johnathon Figg

Deputy Headteacher

2025-2026 TERM DATES	
Autumn 1	4 September 2025 to 24 October 2025 (37 days)
Autumn 2	3 November 2025 to 19 December 2025 (35 days)
Spring 1	5 January 2026 to 13 February 2026 (30 days)
Spring 2	23 February 2026 to 27 March 2026 (25 days)
Summer 1:	13 April 2026 to 22 May 2026 (4 May 2026 is a bank holiday) (29 days)
Summer 2:	1 June 2026 to 23 July 2026 (39 days)

REMAINING INSET DAYS (2025-2026 Academic Year)

Term 2 (Autumn 2): Monday 1st December 2025

Term 6 (Summer 2): Friday 19th June, Monday 22nd June 2026

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Who's Involved
December		
Monday 1 st	INSET DAY	Whole School
Monday 8 th	Pantomime – Buxton	Whole School
Wednesday 10 th	Christmas Fair	Whole School Community
Thursday 11 th	Infant Nativity	Infant Parents and Pupils
Wednesday 17 th	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Party	Pupils
Thursday 18 th	Church Service	Whole School Community
Friday 19 th	End of Autumn 2	Whole School
January		
Monday 5 th	School reopens for Spring Term	Whole School
Thursday 22 nd	Sportshall Athletics	Year 5 and 6
Friday 30 th	Djembe Drums Concert	KS2 Pupils and Parents

Sporting Events 2025/2026

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
January			
Y5/6	Sportshall Athletics	Thursday 22 nd	Graves Health and Tennis Club, S8 8JR
February			
Y5/6	Netball	Thursday 5 th	Longstone Primary DE45 1TZ
March			
Y3/4 Y5/6	Hockey	Thursday 19 th	Bakewell Juniors DE45 1FR
May			
Y5/6 R/Y1/2	Cricket	Thursday 14 th	Rowsley Sports Field DE4 2EE
June			
Y3/4 Y5/6	Rounders	Thursday 25 th	Youlgrave Sports Field DE45 1WN

Swimming ROTA – January - March 2026

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

SWIMMING DATES Thank you for volunteering	NAME: Wednesday pm – swimming bus leaves Stanton at 1:00pm and returns approx. 2:30pm.
Spring 1 – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6	
Wednesday 14 th January	
Wednesday 21 st January	
Wednesday 28 th January	
Wednesday 4 th February	
Wednesday 11 th February	
Spring 2 – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6	
Wednesday 25 th February	
Wednesday 4 th March	
Wednesday 11 th March	
Wednesday 18 th March	
Wednesday 26 th March	

“Life in all its fullness.” John 10:10