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Newsletter – April 2026

Dear parents and members of our school community,

A large part of April will be spent away from school celebrating Easter with our families before we return to school for a busy summer term. Staff and pupils would like to wish everyone a very happy Easter.

Stanton Star

Congratulations to **Alice** who received the Spring term's Stanton Star! Alice's character has shone during every aspect of school life – working hard in the classroom, fully immersing herself in extra-curricular tasks, and showing kindness to others consistently. Well done, Alice – we hope you are feeling very proud of yourself.

Christian Value

Our Christian Value this term is '**Justice**'. Mrs. Wyer will use Bible teachings centered around: treating people fairly (Micah 6.8); making wise decisions (Isaiah 1.17); seeking God's love in action (Matthew 20.1.16); seeing the whole picture (2 Corinthians 8.21); and keeping God's rules (Exodus 20) during her weekly collective worships to help support pupils' understanding.

Safeguarding

Mrs. Teirney has wasted no time getting to know her class and has already established herself within the infant classroom. Mrs. Teirney brings a wealth of experience and alongside her role in the infants, she will also take on the position of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, supporting Mrs. Wyer.

Key Stage 2 SATs

The Year 6 pupils have been busy preparing for their formal assessments next month. The tests will take place Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May.

Key Stage 1 SATs

Although no longer compulsory, our Year 2 pupils will also sit KS1 SATs (Standard Assessment Tests) during the summer term. All pupils at Stanton are formally assessed at 3 points within the academic year (during the autumn, spring and summer terms). Data from the assessments is used (alongside ongoing, daily teacher assessments) to ensure that our pupils are supported and challenged effectively with their learning.

Other than using the maths, reading and grammar test papers provided by the DfE, nothing will change for our Year 2s – and as with other year groups, any form of assessment is always delivered in an age-appropriate manner (it is hoped that they don't ever really know they are doing them).

Year 4 Multiplication Check

The multiplication tables check (MTC) is statutory for all year 4 pupils registered at state-funded maintained schools, special schools or academies, including free schools, in England.

The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will help schools to identify pupils who have not yet mastered their times tables, so that additional support can be provided.

In 2026, schools must administer the MTC to all eligible year 4 pupils between Monday 1st June and Friday 12th June.

Our Year 4 pupils have been working hard to cement their understanding of their times-tables in preparation for the MTC check in June. If any parents would like additional worksheets or ideas of how they can support their child with their tables, please contact Mr. Sizer.

Sport at Stanton

The Year 5 and 6 hockey teams competed exceptionally well throughout the cluster schools' tournament last month. The boys' team finished runners-up in the competition after a narrow defeat in a fiercely competitive final, whilst the girls continue to impress with their passion, desire and ability to work as a team. It was a great afternoon with both teams representing the school positively.

Swimming

The **Year 3 and 4 pupils** will continue with their swimming lessons after the Easter holidays. There are still spaces on our rota (which is attached to the bottom of this newsletter) for parent volunteers to sign up and accompany the children. Once again - thank you to everyone who volunteers. Your support is essential and is very much appreciated.

World Book Day 2026

Thank you to everyone who engaged with our World Book Day celebrations last month. Lots of children brought books in from home, which enabled children to use our 'Swap Shop' and select a different book to take home and read. The 'Strange but Safe' places to read display is full of fantastic photos and looks brilliant, as did the many children who arrived in school dressed as their favourite book character – once again, thank you all for engaging.

Year 6 Bikability

Congratulations to the Year 6 pupils who completed their Bikeability Level 2 qualification last month. It is hoped that the sessions give the children more confidence on their bikes and enable them to feel safer whilst out and about on their bikes.

Talent Show

The talent show never fails to deliver, and this year's was no different. The morning was filled with a plethora of weird, wacky and wonderful acts, which were all wholeheartedly cheered and supported by our (very) enthusiastic audience. The children at our school are all uniquely individual and last month's talent show was a great way to celebrate this.

Easter Fair

Our PTFA did a fantastic job of organising our Easter fair and it was a great way to end our spring term. Thank to everyone involved – an awful lot of time and energy went into making it a success and it is very much appreciated.

Thank You

I huge thank you to Sarah (Bill's mum) who kindly managed to source a piano which has since been donated to school. The children (and Rachel our piano teacher) have all been very excited to see it. It is hoped that having it in school will encourage more children to learn to play (including Mr Sizer, who appears to have reignited his musical talent!).

Congratulations!

We are delighted to inform you that Miss Calder and George welcomed their baby boy, Ralph, into the world on the 17th March. Ralph is already very much loved, and they are treasuring these early days together as a family.

And finally ...

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)

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Who's Involved
April		
Monday 13 th	School reopens for Summer 1	Whole School
Monday 27 th	Managing Emotions for Children – pupil workshops during the day plus after-school parent workshop	Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Parents
May		
Monday 4 th	BANK HOLIDAY	Whole School
Monday 11 th – Thursday 14 th	KS2 SATs Week	Year 6 Pupils
Friday 15 th	Year 6 Celebration	Year 6 Pupils
Thursday 14 th	Cricket at Rowsley	Reception/1/2 and Year 5 and 6
Thursday 21 st	Bunting Cup	School Football Team
Friday 22 nd	End of Summer 1	
June		
Monday 1 st	School reopens for Summer 2	
Monday 8 th	Whole School Photograph	Whole School
Tuesday 16 th	2026 EFYS Starters' Transition Day 10am-11:30am	2026 EYFS Pupils
Friday 19 th	SCHOOLINSET	Whole School
Monday 22 nd	SCHOOL INSET	Whole School
Wednesday 24 th	2026 EFYS Starters' Transition Day 1:15pm-2:45pm Followed by a meeting with parents at 2:45pm	2026 EYFS Pupils Parents
Thursday 25 th	Rounders at Youlgrave	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Pupils
Friday 26 th	Year 6 Transition Day LMS	Year 6 Pupils
Friday 26 th	School Transition Day	Whole School
Friday 26 th	2026 EFYS Starters' Transition Day 9:30am-11:30am	2026 EYFS Pupils
Monday 29 th	Sports Day	Whole School Community
July		
Wednesday 1 st July	Taster Day at LMS	Year 6 Pupils
Thursday 2 nd	Campout for India	KS2 Pupils
Monday 6 th - Wednesday 8 th	Year 5 and 6 Residential – Boggle Hole	Year 5 and 6 Pupils
Monday 13 th	Cycle to School Day	Pupils capable of cycling from Birchover to Stanton, plus parent volunteers.
Thursday 16 th	Junior Production	KS2 Pupils and their Parents
Wednesday 22 nd	Leavers' Service	Whole School Community
Thursday 23 rd	End of Academic Year	Whole School

Sporting Events 2025/2026

Year Groups	Sport	Date	Venue
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 – April - July 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.
Summer 1 – Year 3 and 4	
Wednesday 15 th April	
Wednesday 22 nd April	
Wednesday 29 th April	
Wednesday 6 th May	
Wednesday 13 th May	
Summer 2 – Year 5 and 6	
Wednesday 3 rd June	
Wednesday 10 th June	
Wednesday 17 th June	
Wednesday 24 th June	
Wednesday 1 st July	

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