



February

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Staffing News

We would like to share with you some lovely news.

Miss Shand welcomed into the world a beautiful little boy in January.

We are very pleased to welcome back Mrs Balloch to our Year 4 class.

Miss Graham starts her maternity leave on Friday, we look forward to hearing of her daughter's safe arrival.



Term Dates

Half Term:

Monday 18th– Friday 22nd February

Easter Break:

Monday 8th April– Monday 22nd April
(Children return to school on Tuesday 23rd April)

Summer Half-Term:

Monday 27th May—Monday 3rd June

Summer

Monday 22nd July—Tuesday 3rd September

We **strongly discourage** taking your child out of school for a family holiday in term time. Government legislation states that these can only be authorised in "exceptional circumstances".

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



Friday 8th February

School visit by the Director of Education—
Mr R Crane

Monday 11th February

KS2 Swimming Gala at the Louisa Centre (A selection of 6 children)

Tuesday 12th February

Key Steps Gymnastics competition at Greenland Primary School (6 Y1 pupils only)

Wednesday 6th March

KS1 Parent Consultations—Appointments can be made from Thursday 21st February via phone, text message or at the school office.

Wednesday 6th March

Years 1-3 All Stars Cricket

Thursday 7th March

KS2 Parent Consultations—Appointments can be made from Thursday 21st February via phone, text message or at the school office.

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day— Dress up as your favourite book character or come to school in your pyjamas with your favourite book. Please don't feel the need to go out and buy anything new.

WORLD
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Support us in School

We welcome your support in school. This can be done by joining our Friends of the School group who organise events such as Easter activities. Please contact the School if you would be willing to support us in this way.

Magic Breakfast Free Daily Bagels

Reminder—We offer daily breakfast bagels to all children. We encourage all children to be in their classroom for 8.50am to eat their bagels, read their favourite book and chat to their friends or an adult within the area. The bagels are healthy and nutritious, low in sugar, salt and fat, but best of all they are free.



Reading Plus

Please encourage your child to **read regularly** at home with family and friends. This gives them the best chance at becoming fluent in their reading and developing a love of literature. Our Year 5 class and a selection of our Year 6 children are currently accessing the Reading Plus programme which aims to develop reading efficiency in order to free up mental energy for comprehension, and make reading more enjoyable and rewarding. This can be accessed at home via computer / Ipad. We hope this programme benefits the children and with your encouragement we are confident it will!



Tuesdays—Football with Mitch (R,1R,1 & 2)

Payable in advance at the school office £2 per session.

Tuesdays—Football with Mr Walker—(Classes 3,4,5,& 6)

Tuesdays—SPAG Class 6 (Invitation only)

Wednesdays—Gymnastics Club (Classes 2,3,4,5 & 6) Everyone welcome

Wednesdays—Knitting Club (Classes 3,4,5 & 6) Everyone Welcome

Fridays—Football with Mitch (Classes 3,4,5 & 6) Payable in advance at the school office £2 per session.

Half Term Activity Programme - Stanley Library

There are lots of exciting activities for children this February at Stanley Library.

Monday 18th February - Alien Craft Session - 2.30pm - 4.00pm

Suitable for Children 4 years +
Book a space £1 per child

Tuesday 19th February - Space Station Drawing Workshop - 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Suitable for Children 7 years+
Book a space £1 per child

Thursday 21st February - Toddler Rhyme Time - 10.30am - 11.00am

Suitable for children under 5 years
This activity is available every week
No booking required

Stanley Library is situated inside Stanley Louisa Centre, Front Street, Stanley, County Durham DH9 0TE

Please call 03000 269 517 or send an email to Stanley.lib@durham.gov.uk to book your

Something to look forward to...



Details to follow.