



# Stanley St Peter's Weekly News

6th December 2024

## HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK...

Miss Flood has been involved in training and advising teachers across the district on possible approaches to improving outcomes in writing for EYFS children. We are fortunate to have such an adept educator who is passionate about enhancing our young learners' experiences and skills.

Additionally, our English Leader, Mr Cundall, has been actively promoting our school's approach to teaching English. He had the opportunity to discuss and showcase our methods to colleagues from another school, highlighting the effective strategies we employ for improving writing across all year groups. It's invaluable to have leadership that not only supports our own staff but also collaborates with the wider educational community.

As always, your support as parents and carers is crucial too. Encouraging your child to express themselves through writing at home can reinforce what they learn in school. Simple activities, such as keeping a diary, writing letters to friends or relatives, and even creating stories together, can enrich their writing skills significantly.



## PARKING

Please ensure you park responsibly. Avoid parking your car within 10 metres of a junction and do not park your car in front of the large gates.

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



## NEXT WEEK...

Our Stay and Play and Project Exhibition events are taking place next week as follows:

Monday 9th December 2:30pm Y5 & Y6

Tuesday 10th December 2:30pm Y3 & Y4

Wednesday 11th December 2:30pm Y1 & Y2

Thursday 12th December 9:00am EYFS

We are also really looking forward to going to the theatre to see the Cinderella Pantomime next week (oh yes we are!).



Each class teacher has nominated a child for a Curriculum Talent Award in each subject. Subject leaders will be interviewing nominees next week and choosing an overall winner. Certificates and trophies will be awarded Thursday 19th December.

## OTHER NEWS...

Tuesday 17th December will be a very busy day!

Not only is it our Christmas lunch, Christmas Jumper Day, Reindeer Run and Santa may visit some of our younger children, but our Year 6 children are going to the church to sing carols to the Tuesday lunchtime group before coming back and performing their Christmas carol concert for their grown-ups!

## MUSIC TO MY EARS...

Our Year 3 children are very lucky! Miss Schofield has organised for them to take part in a Jingle Djembe Music workshop led by a music teacher from the Wakefield Music Service.

A recording of their performance (once perfected) will be put on our YouTube channel.



Every class has also been learning a Christmas song to perform on the glockenspiels which will be played to the whole school during collective worship time.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY...

Monday 9th December - Nursery, Reception, KS1 & Y3 to pantomime(Cinderella)

Thursday 12th December - Y4, Y5 & Y6 to pantomime (Cinderella)

Monday 16th December @ 2:30pm - KS1 Christmas Performance

Tuesday 17th December @ 2:45pm - Y5 & Y6 Christmas Carol Concert

Tuesday 17th December - Christmas Jumper, Reindeer Run (sponsored event - more details to follow) and Christmas lunch day

Tuesday 17th December - A VERY special visitor (who has a broad face and a little round belly, that shakes when he laughs like a bowl full of jelly) is coming to see our EYFS & KS1 children! Who knows? He may even have a gift for them!

Wednesday 18th December @ 2:30pm - Y3 & Y4 Christmas Performance

Wednesday 18th December - Values Awards

Thursday 19th December @ 10am - EYFS Christmas Performance

Thursday 19th December - Curriculum Talent Awards

Friday 20th December - Attendance Awards

Friday 20th December - Christmas Parties!(All Afternoon - please note, lessons will take place as normal during the morning) Children should come to school dressed in their party clothes and should bring a small packed lunch of snacks and treats to enjoy for themselves ONLY during the party. No fizzy drinks are allowed and please bear in mind that we are a nut-free school!

## ATTENDANCE YEAR TO DATE...

Attendance in school is far short of our 97% target; however, I believe this is due to the time of year and all the bugs that seem to be going around. Fingers crossed the attendance will begin to improve soon.

YN/R Wonder	89.22%
YR Turner	95.36%
Y1 Sheeran	93.69%
Y1/2 Bowie	95.8%
Y2 Kylie	95.84%
Y3 Abba	94.87%
Y4 Lennon	95.85%
Y4 Little Mix	96.24%
Y5 Elton	96.53%
Y6 Gallagher	94.72%
Y6 Swift	94.74%



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