



Messages from the Head Teacher

It has been a fabulous week in school, with children across all year groups working hard, embracing new learning and making us incredibly proud! Year 3 had a fantastic day at Stanwick Lakes yesterday, travelling back in time to explore what life was like during the Stone Age! It was wonderful to see the children engaging so enthusiastically with their learning and bringing their history topic to life.

I have had the pleasure of reading with a number of children from across the school this week. Listening to them read with such confidence and fluency was an absolute joy, and it was lovely to see their genuine love of books shining through. We encourage all children to read at least three times a week with an adult at home. Regular reading makes a real difference in developing fluency, confidence and comprehension, while also helping children to develop a lifelong love of reading.

We have a number of parent sessions coming up over the next half term, offering practical advice and support to help you support your child at home. Sessions include: How to Help Your Child Love Maths, Supporting Children with Demand Avoidance, Year 6 SATs Information Session. We would love to see you there! We encourage parents and carers to come along, enjoy a cup of tea and find out more about how you can support your child's learning and wellbeing.

It has been wonderful to see children applying for leadership roles across school. We have received some fantastic applications for Eco Council representatives, and children have also been busy writing persuasive speeches to convince their classmates to elect them as School Council representatives. These opportunities are a brilliant way for children to develop their confidence, communication skills and understanding of responsibility, while having a real voice in our school community.

Our afterschool clubs have been a huge success this week! Children have been enjoying a fantastic range of activities, from sports and creative activities to learning to play an instrument and even making ice cream in Science Club! It has been lovely to see children trying new things, developing new skills and having fun with their friends. There are still limited spaces available at some clubs, so please check your MCAS account if you would like to book a place.

Please ensure you have activated your My Child at School (MCAS) account. If you need any support setting up your account, please contact the school office either in person or by emailing: school.office@stretton.covmat.org Please note that we are no longer able to accept cash payments in school. All payments for items such as school trips, breakfast club and other school activities will now need to be made through the MCAS system. You can also check and update contact details including telephone numbers and addresses through MCAS.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Notices

Attendance

Reception	90.2%
Year 1	93.5%
Year 2	93.4%
Year 3	97.7%
Year 4	93.9%
Year 5	95.1%
Year 6	97.2%

Stretton Stars

Reception	★	Catherine
Year 1		Boo
Year 2		Sebastian ★
Year 3		Teddy
Year 4		Hayden
Year 5	★	Haleemah
Year 6		Tobe
Nest		Madison ★
Forest School		Amelia A

Reminder any absence needs to be reported to the school office by 9.30am on each day.

Reminder that on PE days Children should come to school wearing their PE kit. Please can we remind families that our PE kit consists of: a plain white T-shirt, black bottoms, a plain black jumper or school jumper and trainers. Please note that football shirts and tops with logos are not acceptable as PE kit. We appreciate your support in ensuring that children come to school in the correct PE kit on their PE days. If your child wears wellies to school because of weather or if they are attending forest school please can you also send in a change of shoes so they are not wearing wellies all day in school. If your child is taking part in an after school sports club they will need to bring PE kit to change into after school.

Breakfast Club will operate as follows:

Paid provision from 7.45am–8.45am at a cost of £1.00 per day. Free provision from 8.15am–8.45am. You do not need to book. Payments will be charged to your MCAS account.

Date	Event
Tuesday 22nd September	Flu Vaccines—Information to follow
Wednesday 23rd September	Year 5 Church Visit
Tuesday 29th September	Parents Maths Workshop 9–10am
Wednesday 30th September	Year 1 Church Visit
Thursday 1st October	Year 6 Parents SATS workshop 3.15pm
Friday 2nd October	Early Years Grandparents Afternoon Tea
Wednesday 7th October	Year 5/6 Residential Trip Parent Meeting 3.30pm
Wednesday 14th October	Individual School Photographs
Wednesday 14th October	Parents Evening 3.30pm–6.00pm
Thursday 15th October	Parents Evening 3.30pm–6.00pm
Monday 19th October	Parents Demand Avoidance Workshop 1.45pm