

Stuart Road Primary Academy Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: End of School Year

What a way to end a turbulent and difficult year with the sun shining and trips to forest schools, water sport centres and Falmouth. We could be forgiven for thinking everything was back to normal! I have enjoyed hearing how, for many children, this was their first time swimming in the sea and they have come away with more confidence and a new found love of the water! I am hoping that these are the memories they will take with them when looking back on this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the Stuart Road families who have supported us through these challenging times. As the school year draws to a close, I look back on the journey we have made as staff, pupils and families, and I am filled with immense pride for the hard work, resilience and determination shown by all. Despite an international pandemic, Stuart Road children have flourished, grown and achieved with thanks to the teachers who provided high quality education and learning experiences throughout.

Today, we say a fond farewell and good luck to Mr Bowles and Mrs Searle who embark on new ventures within their teaching careers. The children in both Class 3 and Class 6 have enjoyed their time with you and benefited from engaging and inspiring learning each day. We also say goodbye and thank you to Miss Newbitt and Miss Greep, two Mealtime Assistants, who as well as ensuring children in Reception have a safe and fun lunchtime, also provided 1 to 1 support for a pupil in our setting.

The departing Year 6 class have done incredibly well, and again, not the year they were expecting, but nonetheless, they embraced all the opportunities presented to them. As they head off to their respective secondary schools, we wave them off proudly knowing that they are Stuart Road children; and we wish them the very best of luck on their next step.

Let's hope that the sun continues to shine as we embrace a summer holiday of UK staycations, and I wish you all a relaxing and restful break with your families and I look forward to welcoming you back to a new and fresh school year in September.

Warmest wishes,

Britta Nicholls

Head of School

Notices:

Get Happy at Devonport Guildhall: There is a family show, *Get Happy*, at Devonport Guildhall on 21st and 22nd August, this summer. The tickets are FREE! The show is great for young people – ages 5 upwards – with their family members. If you would like to book please see details in the poster later in this newsletter.

Book Donations: If you have any books you would like to donate to our school library please contact the office. If you have books you can donate please check the book titles against the AR bookfinder link and if the title does not appear, then it is not an AR book.

Stuart Road Wrap-around Care Starting in September! : We are very excited to let you know that Stuart Road will be offering wrap around care (a before and after school club) in September. Please see poster for details in this newsletter.

Homework reminder: All Year Group homework is posted weekly with MS Teams. Please check your child's class page.

Messages from Teachers

Foundation

It's been a very hot week and the children have been continuing to learn through their play. We welcomed back Mr. Frame for the day as he winds down to retirement and said his final farewells. We wish him well in his retirement. The children have also had the opportunity to meet their new Year 1 teacher, Mr Hulcoop-Searle, and had great fun exploring their new classroom. May I take this opportunity to say thank you to all the families who have engaged with us in what has been a hugely challenging and yet successful year. Both Miss Kane and I have greatly enjoyed being a part of your child's learning journey and wish you all well in Year 1.



Year 1

Year 1 ended last week with a fantastic trip to a forest school where the children made bracelets, roasted marshmallows, found different animals and took part in many other exciting activities. The week began with the children having two transition mornings with their new teacher Mrs Hannon. The children had a fantastic time and have all said how excited they are for the new year to come. The children have also been able to take part in a mini sports day, attempted some experiments and taken part in a quiz. We have tried to make this final week as enjoyable as possible for the children and hope they have had a great time.

On a personal note, I would like to send a big thank you and good luck to all the children in Year 1 as well as Parents and Carers for this year. It hasn't been the easiest, but you have been amazing and a privilege to teach a





Year 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic last week. We have explored different recipes, identifying features ending with the children writing their own disgusting recipe. They were truly horrific! On Thursday, we enjoyed or trip to Churchwood forest school. The children's behaviour was a credit to our school and their family. They built dens, lit fires and enjoyed delicious s'mores. The week culminated with a great party on Friday where the children have shown us some great dance moves, we watched a movie and they were treated with some sweets and party snacks.

We wish all the children the best of luck in year 3. We feel blessed we had you with us and grateful for the opportunity to know you, work with you and learn alongside you. I hope you all have a wonderful summer, enjoy spending time together and recharge your batteries ready for September. We will miss you all. Best of luck in year 3. You will be amazing!

Mrs Ioja, Mrs Norris and Mrs Best.







Year 3Summer is here! This year has somehow managed to feel like the longest and shortest year ever. I have had so much fun teaching year 3 this year and seeing the progress they have made daily. They







have made me incredibly proud as a teacher as I'm sure they have you also. I wish them all the success in the world as they enter year 4 and the top floor of the school (I'm glad I don't have to tackle those stairs)! Good luck!





Year4

Year 4, I wanted to use this opportunity to say a massive thank you to all of you; you've all been amazing this year and I am going to be incredibly sad to say goodbye! You've made my return from maternity leave an easy transition and I feel so lucky and honoured to have taught you (on and off!) for 2 years. We've shared so many laughs and giggles that I'll treasure forever. I know you're going to have a fantastic time in Year 5 with your new teachers and I cannot wait to hear all your new stories as you pop into my classroom from time to time! Have the most super summer holidays everyone. Keep being you - you rock!







Year 5

As we race towards the end of term, year 5 enjoyed a mini sports day. We demonstrated the skills we have been learning this term such as throwing accuracy, throwing distance, standing long-jump, three-jump-long-jump, sprinting and team relay. The following children were our victors: Katie was overall winner for standing long-jump, Amber was winner for accuracy throwing and Josh won the sprinting races. Everyone had a fantastic afternoon and took part with real team spirit and support. Wishing all our amazing parents and families a fantastic summer. See you in year 6!The highlight of last week was our amazing trip to Mountbatten! We all had fantastic fun practicing our archery skills, orienteering around Mountbatten pier by solving a range of local clues and exploring the water on giant paddleboards. See the photos below and later on in this newsletter







Year 6

Year 6 had an incredible time at Falmouth! They all conquered their fears and enjoyed every second of the trip! It was a wonderful day! They have had a busy last week of term with Bikeability and preparing their Leavers books! It has been a really lovely end to the year!













School Trips - Photo Gallery

























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Awards of the week.

Foundation

Headteacher's award - Spencer Pearce for always coming into school with a happy face!

Year 1

Headteachers award - Thomas - for his positive attitude towards all of his learning

Writer of the week - Writer - Rebecca - for her hard work and commitment to developing her writing

Mathematician of the week - Sophie - for her determined and responsible attitude in maths

Year 2

Headteacher's award – Adam for having a fabulous week and putting all your effort into everything you do.

Headteacher's award – Merryn for coping fantastically during transition day.

Year 3 - TBC

Year 4

Headteacher's Award - Lilly for gaining so much independence over the last year.

Writer of the week - Ruby for reflecting upon everything she has learnt so far to produce the most beautiful, page-turning stories.

Mathematician of the week - Harry for always taking ownership of his learning and being a reflective learner.

Year 5

Headteachers Award – Ariana for taking part in the water activities at Mountbatten with courage and determination.

Headteachers Award - Isobel for an outstanding year of learning throughout Year 5.

Year 6 - TBC

told by an Idiot **Get Happy**

Acclaimed theatre company, Told by an Idiot, bring their joyous and fun show to Devonport Guildhall, and you are invited!



Physical comedy, live music, acrobatics, silly dancing and audience interaction all feature in this show, described by the SUNDAY TIMES as 'anarchically inclusive joy'

Enter a world where a mysterious bag drops from a height, and the strangest egg sandwich is made in front of your eyes. The show will also feature new content created in workshops run with local residents and their families.

'Told by an Idiot do a fine line in silliness in this variety-style show for families' TELEGRAPH ★★★★★

The tickets to the show are free! The show is performed in a relaxed environment.

Dates:

21 and 22 August 2021

Performance times (both days):

10:30am, 1:30pm, 3:30pm Show is approx 40 mins long

Location:

Devonport Guildhall, Ker Street, Devonport, Plymouth, PL1 4EL

How to book:

Email info@toldbyanidiot.org or phone 0207 407 4123

There's limited availability, so book asap and wait for reply to confirm your free tickets. We look forward to seeing you there!









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STUART ROAD PRIMARY ACADEMY WRAP AROUND CARE

Starting 8th September 2021

Breakfast Club:

7.45am to start of school day, £3.50.

Afterschool Club end of school day: to 6.00pm, £9.00.

Bookings available via SchoolMoney on 6th September 2021



Wedofootball Summer Holiday Coaching Clubs

Stoke Damerel Community College

10am till 3pm

Week 1 - Tuesday 27th July, Wednesday 28th & Thursday 29th

Week 2 – Tuesday 3rd August, Wednesday 4th & Thursday 5th

Week 3 - Tuesday 10th August, Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th

Week 4 - Tuesday 17th August, Wednesday 18th August & Thursday 19th

For Boys and Girls aged 5 to 14 of all abilities @ SDCC

£10 per day (numbers are limited and early drop off from 9.15am no additional cost)

Maximum fun, with no pressure and a safe learning environment with Qualified Coaches.

Can all players please bring a packed lunch and drink, football boots and trainers. If you require any further information, contact: Joe Geraghty on 07795804127 or email wedofootball1@gmail.com.

We have 20 Spaces per day free of charge and including a packet lunch for any children who receive a free school meal. Just let us know if you would like to apply for one of these spaces.





