



STAMFORD ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

St Gilbert's has been bouncing and dancing along to a special song every hour in aid of the NSPCC. The children have had great fun and enjoyed seeing their teachers dance too!

Please remember to return your sponsorship forms

### DIARY DATES

12/02/2019	PTA Event - EYFS & Y 1&2 Disco 3.15pm - 4.15pm – Hall
12/02/2019	PTA Event - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Disco 4.30pm - 5.30pm – Hall
13/02/2019	PTA Swishing Event 7:30pm
15/02/2019	PTA Bake Sale & Cake Raffle

### Attendance

**EVERY SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS!**

Each week we announce the attendance percentages for each class, recognising improvement and the class who has achieved the best attendance!

*Congratulations to  
**TIGERS CLASS**  
who had 99.55 % attendance last week*

### Foundation Stage

What a fantastic time the children in Foundation Stage have had this week! We have had such fun making, baking, eating and **celebrating!**

On Tuesday, the children learnt all about Chinese New Year and joined in with a variety of creative activities such as lantern making, Chinese writing and celebration cards. They used their **imagination and creativity** in the outside area re-enacting the race of the 12 animals from the Chinese New Year story with animal masks. In the afternoon, we **engaged all our senses** with a Chinese banquet. One child said, "The noodles were my favourite. They were yummy!" They also had a try at eating Chinese food using the chopsticks which was quite tricky!

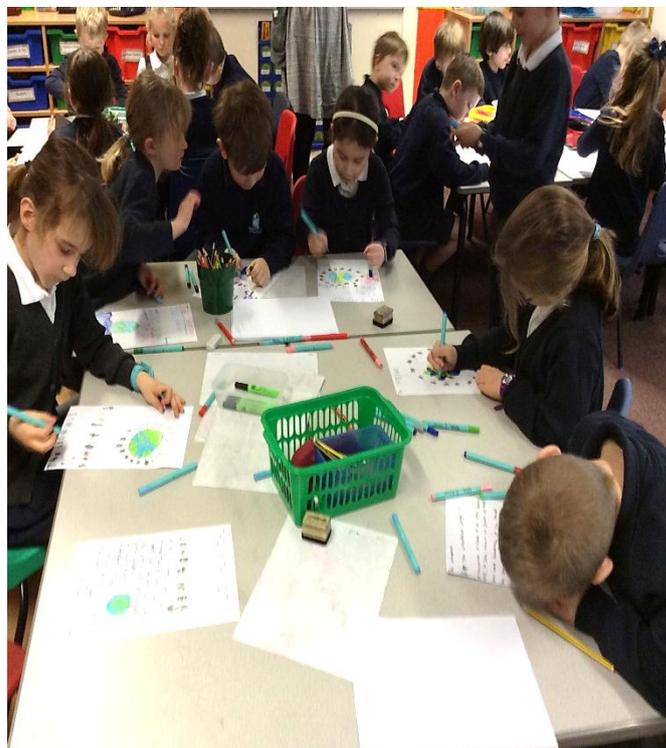
We have also been baking this week! The children absolutely loved baking banana muffins. They stirred, mashed and mixed their way to a delicious creation. One child said, "I can't wait to taste them!" **What a great week!**



## Key Stage 1

The children have had a very exciting week in Year 1.2! They started the week with Safer Internet Day where they **learned** many interesting things about the internet and how to stay safe when going online. The children learned all the decisions that they need to make when going online and how important it is to ask for permission when they use the internet. They are really excited to show you all they have been learning on Monday at the Parent Open Morning!

This week was also our Book Week! The children looked at the story of Solo the Penguin and used this as a basis for their own story set in a Polar Region. They used their **creativity** to think of an Arctic adventure for their own story characters and thought of many **descriptive words** to make the stories come alive!



## Key Stage 2

We started our week as we normally do by joining the rest of the school in our whole school Collective Worship. We were thinking about compassion and what this means, and Miss Dicker focussed on the importance of being kind. The staff in Year 3/4 have been listening and watching the children really closely throughout the week and have been really impressed with how kind, thoughtful and considerate all of our children are. We have noticed children supporting and encouraging their peers whilst playing tag rugby and helping them when they have been unsure about an aspect of the game. We have had children being thoughtful about others and bringing books into school for their friends to use as they no longer needed them at home. When someone felt unwell, a child fetched their friend's water bottle without being asked to by an adult. We have also put a big emphasis on manners within Year 3/4 and we are getting many comments from other adults around school about how polite our children are. Well done children! We have decided that in Year 3/4 our motto is: 'A simple act of caring creates an endless ripple.'

Within English this week, the children have been thinking about how to persuade another pirate to join their pirate crew. We looked at the features that are needed when writing a persuasive job advert and came up with some great slogans, intriguing questions and amazing benefits when applying for the job. The children thought creatively, used clever word play and were very persuasive in their writing!

We have launched into fractions in Maths this week and the children are loving this unit; perhaps because we have been talking about chocolate, pizza and cake quite a lot! They have been busy finding tenths and hundredths and the children have also started to look at how we represent these fractions as decimals. The children have also begun to look at how we add fractions and we will continue our work on this next week.



## Key Stage 2

This week the children have clearly been working hard on their homework to learn part of a poem by heart; they performed it with great expression, tone and voice. Thank you to the parents for your ongoing support with their homework. In Maths, the Year 5s have been busy making fraction toolboxes, enabling them to tackle any fraction problem that is thrown their way! As well as this, the children have been really engaged and enthusiastic when taking part in Safer Internet Day activities and, without giving too much away, they are all looking forward to singing, acting and quizzing next week with parents. We look forward to seeing you there!

On Monday, twelve Year 5 children were lucky enough to attend a PGL taster afternoon at Caythorpe. They enjoyed the amazing view on the big swing and finding their way through the imaginative forest obstacle course. The children displayed great teamwork and, in some cases, great courage and determination to conquer their fears.



### **Book Fair**

**Our School Needs You!**

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming soon and we need volunteers to help with setting up and running it after school.

Are you free between 3.00 – 4.15 on 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> March? If you can spare some time to help, please complete the form sent out on Parentmail.

Our school can earn free books for every book sold at the Fair so this is a great opportunity to stock up our classrooms with brand new resources!

## Upcoming PTA Events

DISCO - Tuesday 12th February

£3 includes tuck shop & squash

Don't forget to buy your tickets for the disco.

EYFS & KS1 3.15pm-4.15pm

KS2 4.30pm-5.30pm

Ladies Swishing Social Night - Wednesday 13th February 7.30pm

Tickets remain on sale each morning and by PayPal. Please drop your swishing clothes to reception.

Cake Raffle - Raffle tickets £1 each

Tickets on sale from Monday morning. The Draw will take place on Friday 15th February.

100 Club - Numbers £7 each for entry into the monthly prize draw. Please complete an application form and return via the PTA post box. The Draw will take place on Friday 15th February. Numbers are selling fast!

Bake Sale and 2nd Hand Uniform Sale - Friday 15th February 3pm

We would welcome any donations of cakes, bakes, treats and savouries. Please bring to school on Thursday pm or Friday morning. If you can help to sell on the day please do let us know [stgilbertspta@outlook.com](mailto:stgilbertspta@outlook.com)

Remember tickets can be purchased by PayPal to [stgilbertsptafinance@outlook.com](mailto:stgilbertsptafinance@outlook.com) by friends and family. Please include details with the payment. Thank you



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