



# Federation Newsletter



January 2024

## Happy New Year



We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and would like to wish you a happy and healthy 2024. We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Remon, who returns from maternity leave and is teaching in Year 3.

## Punctuality

Attending school is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. Pupils who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work. It is essential that children are punctual and ready to start the day in an orderly, calm manner. Lateness impacts on learning, both for the individual, and the class.



Did you know, arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over **3 days lost** each year and arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for **2 weeks a year**.

**Please ensure that your child arrives at school in time for registration:**

**Pepper Hill – 8:30am**  
**Stanton School – 8:45am**

## Helping your child with anxiety

The MK Mental Health Support Team will be running a workshop on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 9:15am to 10:15am, at Stanton School** as a short introduction to managing a child's anxiety. If this is something you would be interested in, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Carter to book a place.

## Collecting children from school

At Stanton the school day ends at 3.15pm. Please can parents collect children promptly. If you know you are going to be late, we offer after-school wrap around care, which you can book on ParentMail.



## Staff Carpark Reminder



For health and safety reasons, please do not drive into the staff car park when dropping off and collecting your children from school.

## Fundraising Updates

We are delighted to inform you that the parent's raffle at Stanton made **£191** and these monies are being split between Willen Hospice and the MK Food Bank.



Between the two schools we also raised **£237** for Christmas Jumper Day and these monies have been donated to 'Save the Children's Christmas Appeal'. The Pepper Hill Disco, colouring competition and parent's raffle raised **£185** and Stanton raised **£659** from their disco and the children's raffle. All monies raised from these events will go to school funds.

## Big Schools Birdwatch 2024



We are joining with thousands of other schools across the country to take part in the RSPB's National Birdwatch. We will be finding out which birds visit our school and submitting our results to become part of this national survey.

## Curriculum Newsletters

Curriculum newsletters have been sent out via ParentMail detailing the topics and activities your children will be undertaking during the Spring Term. If you do not receive this, please ask the office for a copy or you may also access the information on the school websites.



## Parent Governor Opportunity

We have an exciting opportunity for a parent to join our Governing Body and take part in making strategic decisions to support our schools. Please contact the school office for more information.

## School Term Dates

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term**

School closes at the end of the school day

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February**

Return to school following the half term break

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Easter**

School closes at the end of the school day

