



October 2026

It's already been a busy and exciting half term! We've had lots going on across our schools, and it's been lovely to see everyone getting involved. A big thank you to all the families who joined us for Books for Breakfast at Stanton last week and at Pepper Hill today — it was fantastic to see so many of you enjoying books together. Year 6 are also getting ready for their residential visit to the New Forest, while Year 4 and Year 5 have some exciting, themed days to look forward to, including Ancient Greek Day and Ancient Egypt Day! We'd also like to give a warm welcome to Miss Hawking, who has joined our admin team.

Parent's E-Safety Meeting

A quick reminder that we will be holding a Computing and E-Safety meeting for parents of both schools on **Wednesday 30th September at 3:45pm at Stanton School**. The session will provide helpful guidance and practical strategies you can use at home to help ensure your child uses technology safely and responsibly.



National Poetry Day

On **Thursday 1st October**, we will be celebrating National Poetry Day. This year's theme is "Wonder". Stanton children will be writing poems about a world of wonder, while Pepper Hill children will write poems about themselves. At the end of the day, the children will have the opportunity to share their poems in a whole-school assembly.

#Hello Yellow Day

On **Friday 9th October**, the children will be joining in with #HelloYellow to show young people that they're not alone with their mental health. We're asking all children and staff to **wear something yellow** and bring in a **£1 donation**, which will go to the mental health charity **YoungMinds**. During the day, the children will take part in activities to help them learn about ways we can all look after our mental health.

Parent's Evening

Don't forget to book your Parents' Evening appointment on **SchoolCloud** for **Tuesday 13th October**, between **3:30pm and 7:00pm**. This is a great chance to talk with your child's class teacher about how they are getting on. Booking details will be shared via **ParentMail**. There will also be an opportunity to view your child's work in their books during a visit to school later in **November**.



Harvest Festival



Our Harvest Festival assembly will take place on **Tuesday 13th October**. Once again, we are supporting **MK Food Bank** by collecting donations, as many families in our community need extra help during these challenging times. Any contributions will be greatly appreciated and will make a real difference to those in need, please see details below.

Black History Month

During the **week beginning 19th October**, we will be taking part in a range of fun and interesting art, music and English activities to celebrate Black History Month. The children will learn about the achievements of inspiring people, including **Martin Luther King** and **Rosa Parks**, and explore how they made a difference in the



Half Term



Just a reminder that we break up on **Friday 23rd October** and the children return to school on **Tuesday 3rd November**.



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Tuesday 13th October

**We will be collecting donations for
Milton Keynes Food Bank**

However, due to the current cost of living crisis,
we completely understand that not everyone is
in the position to donate.



MK Food Bank
Sowing the seeds of Love

Please give all donations to your child's class teacher.

We urgently need the following products:

- Tea/Coffee
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Pulses
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Long Life Milk
- Juice or Squash
- Jams, Peanut Butter
- Soup
- Sugar
- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Pasta
- Tinned Veg
- Pasta Sauce
- Dried Rice
- Rice Pudding/Custard
- Cereal
- Biscuits
- Dried Pasta
- Baked Beans

Thank you for your support
Together we really can make a difference!

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