

# The Staverton Bell

25th June 2021

6th edition



#### Fun in the sun

I hope that our latest edition of the newsletter finds you well and that you have been enjoying the much-improved weather that we have had recently. The children have been making the most of the great outdoors, our expansive playground and local field and we have been taking every opportunity to get out of the stuffy classrooms and venture outside.

Sports week has been a great success and although we missed the traditional sports day Staverton have been keeping active with Paralympian sports, decathlons and the visit of Olympic gold medallist Stephanie Milward. A massive thank you must go to Miss Jeffreys and Ms Bishop who have been organising the festivities.

The bird theme continues! As well as our ducklings project, we have managed to rescue a small bird who fell from its nest last night. We are very grateful to Donna from our cleaning team who has taken it home to nurse it back to full health. Fingers-crossed for a speedy recovery.

As we head towards the home-stretch of a turbulent year, I hope that we can all support each other to make the final four weeks before the summer holidays successful and en-

joyable for all.

Sparce

Mr Powe Head Teacher

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### Year 6 Camp

Plas Pencelli have confirmed that they will be opening in time for Year 6 to go on their residential-phew! A separate letter with all the information for year 6 parents will be going out this week. Myself, Mrs Gurr, Miss Jefferys and Ms Clark will be leading the residential and I would like to thank our staff for giving their time to go. Miss Jefferys will miss the rest of her Wolves class immensely but lots of exciting things are planned for them too. We will all be back in time for the final day to give our Year 6's a fond farewell, even if they are bound to be shattered! This is wonderful news in a year of so many missed opportunities and we all hope that nothing will prevent us from going.

### Teddy Bears' Picnic



Thank you to everyone who supported our Teddy Bears' picnic last week. It was the perfect weather for it, and as well as being a lovely moment for our own children, it was also great to meet many of our new September starters. Although we did have some difficulty packing down some of the gazebos! Thanks especially are extended to Miss Butterfield for organising the event. This is a new event at Staverton and one that I hope we can continue next year.

#### Hall of fame!

We love celebrating your achievements both in and out of school. Please send them in and we'll showcase them here. Also, please keep positing things on google classroom!

In this edition, we celebrate all the wonderful learning that you continue to do at home. Here we have Chloe completing her sports' week challenges, Joshua continuing to excel at the ukulele, Stanley's superb lego creation and Archer's captured jellyfish! We love seeing everything that you're doing at home. Please continue to engage with google classroom and celebrate these successes. We aim to get new google classroom pages set up for the new academic year very soon.

## **Football Fever!**

It's not just the international professionals in action recently. Our very own Joseph had a fantastic time playing on the pitch at Southampton's stadium: St Mary's, recently. What a wonderful acheievement for Joseph and his team. Well done!

The football news doesn't stop there, Tobias has also successfully progressed with his football trials. I can't wait for September when we will finally be able to get going with our own football team so we can tap in to all this amazing talent.



## Dates for the Term

Tuesday 29th June Stay and Play Session for new reception children

Monday 5th July Year 5 Taster Day at John of Gaunt School

Thursday 8th July Moving up morning

Tuesday 13th July Moving up morning

Friday 16th July Reports home to parents

Monday 19th -Thursday 22nd Year 6 Residential to Plas Pencelli

July

Friday 23rd July Year 6 Leaver's service 9.00 to 10.30am

Friday 23rd July Last day of term (3.15pm finish)

Wednesday 1st September First day of term (new academic year)

Thursday 9th September Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

Friday 10th September Inset Day (School closed to pupils)

Please see the link on the school website and the online calendar for any ad-

#### A pause for thought...

This Prayer was written by Phillipa Hanna, Christian singer/songwriter. It's a prayer for all children and invite you to pray this prayer for your family and for others:

Dear Lord Jesus. Thank you so much for all the precious children in this world. We know they mean so much to you. We pray you would help us do all we can to protect and give them the start in life they deserve. Lord we bring to you all of the wonderful work being done to release children from poverty, and we pray that you would bless every pair of hands that works for you. Increase and bless their efforts in Jesus name, Amen.

