



Stanford Junior School

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Dear parents, carers, families and friends,

At the end of another busy half-term, may I take this opportunity to thank you for all your support. Stanford Junior School is a wonderful school and it has been especially lovely to see a number of parents and carers in school leading a wide range of art workshops in preparation for the Summer Fair organised by our dedicated PTFA. The children have been so excited and I have seen some stunning artwork.

During challenging times on a national scale, the work of our PTFA will become increasingly more important to our school. Thank you those of you that offer regular support. If you do have some time, or a skill that you think our PTFA might be able to utilise, please do email them with your details: stanfordjuniorsptfa@gmail.com. We know that many of you will pitch in and help on the day of a PTFA event. However, what the PTFA really need are a team of volunteers who can contribute to the strategic planning of forthcoming events - events that raise much needed funds to further enrich the children's learning experiences and their time with us.

We are also incredibly grateful to those parents and carers who have accompanied the children on a number of recent school trips. Your help is invaluable. Thank you.

We still need volunteers to help to walk some year groups to the BHASVIC playing field for PE sessions. It would be such a shame if some children miss out on accessing the field. If you think you can offer the time needed to walk the children to and from the field, please contact the school office.



Well done to our Year 5 and 6 boys who represented our school so brilliantly in a recent cricket tournament.



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Recently, I have shown a number of visitors around the school. Feedback is always positive and visitors comment on the excitement and energy seen throughout the school and how they are made to feel very welcomed by adults and children. I could not ask for more than that.

Today, Class 3R staged a most wonderful assembly inspired by the Iron Man. It was a celebration of their achievements so far this year – an assembly packed with some fantastic performances and comedy moments. Well done Miss Rhodes and Class 3R.

Thank you, on behalf of your children, for all that you do to support and guide them. They are wonderful to work with and so incredibly fortunate to be surrounded by such a dedicated and talented team of adults in school who support and nurture them every day.

Time has run away with us this half-term but the Stanford Times will re-appear in its usual format after the holiday.

Please remember that Monday 5th June is an INSET day and school will be closed.

Finally, **good luck to Miss Wilkinson and her partner Daniel** who are getting married tomorrow.

Enjoy the half-term break; let's hope that the sun shines.

With my very best wishes.

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Some of our Year 6 children working on their art projects in preparation for the Summer Fair and visiting the British Airways i-360.





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Our most recent SUPER LEARNERS: Marcus (4R); Inigo (4R); Tabitha (4R); Stan (5D); Maggie (4R); Konrad (4T); Kaitlyn (3W); Stan (4T); Anna (5D); Elizah (3W); Luke (4T); Kilian (5RS); Sadie (4R); Lottie (5RS); Madeleine (5RS); Rosie (4T); Imogen (4T). Well done to all of you for all your hard work.

A message from Year 3.

Year 3 have been having a wonderful time working on their art projects for the PTFA art exhibition. They have been developing their skills with water colours and have been learning how to construct moving parts using different mechanisms. Some of them have even created paintings that look different depending on the angle! You will be able to see all the finished masterpieces at the Summer Fair. A big "thank you!" to all our visiting artists.

A message from Year 4.

Year 4 has had a fantastic time this week being professional artists. We have sketched, cut, coloured and stuck. We have sewn, glued, collaged and traced to create amazing artworks that look wonderful in their frames. Hopefully, you will be able to come along to the PTFA Summer Fair to see all the creations in their full glory at the gallery. A big thank you to all the parents who have helped make it happen and also to the parents and carers who have walked with us to the field for athletics and have volunteered to accompany us on our two trips after half term. Have a super break.



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It's been all go for Year 5! 5D pulled off a fantastic class assembly last Friday with lots of acting and performing. All three classes have been enjoying art week – their artists have been in to kick off the projects and the children are well on their way to creating their masterpieces. In English, they have been using Shaun Tan's *The Lost Thing* as inspiration for writing leaflets and explanation texts about how to look after a lost thing. They are also very excited to start Bikeability; tune in next time to find out more.

A message from Year 6

We have had a packed couple of weeks in Year 6 designing and making flags that represent Brighton, making a version of a stained glass piece of art and using lettering found throughout Brighton & Hove to create designs using our names as inspiration. The children have been inspired by the designers and artists visiting our school. Thank you to the PTFA and to Miss Matthews. The children visited the i360 as part of their balanced argument writing. ***Should the council have spent 36 million on a tourist attraction?*** We look forward to reading the outcomes. This was followed by a visit from local artist Lisa Holdcroft who got the children to draw the i360 in a similar style to her own.



Mrs Blanchard entertaining our Year 5 children with her amazing suitcase of puppets.