

STANFORD INFANT SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Well done everyone for a great start back to school and a very warm welcome to our new Reception families.

BACK AT SCHOOL AGAIN, HERE WITH ALL OUR FRIENDS!

We have been really impressed with the way the children have settled back into the school routine. Over the last couple of weeks, children in Years 1 and 2 have been considering what it is to be an effective learner. They have thought about their brilliant brains and the steps they can take to get them buzzing each day! For example, having brain breaks, drinking brain juice (water!), and being creative by learning in different ways, questioning, and making connections. A letter with more information can be found by clicking on the image below:



UPCOMING DATES

All upcoming dates are posted on our School Website, as well as your SchoolPing calendar. A copy of the Term Dates can be found below.

DIARY DATES 21-22

Our DRAFT Diary Dates for the academic year can be found by clicking [here](#). As we are sure you will appreciate, it is quite challenging to plan ahead at the moment; however, we will confirm whether school activities need to be delivered remotely or whether in-person events are possible.

Date	Event
Mon 20th Sept	Reception children full-time from now on!
Fri 24th Sept	Flu Vaccination for Whole School
Tues 28th Sept	Full Governing Body Meeting
W/B 4th Oct	Walk to School Week - Walk to School for Clean Air
Sun 10th Oct	World Mental Health Day - Mental Health in an Unequal World
Thurs 14th Oct	Class Representatives Meeting @ 9:30am

Please click [here](#) to be directed to a copy of the Term Dates

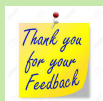
QUESTIONNAIRES

Thank you to all of you who returned the Parent and Child Questionnaires at the end of last academic year. I have undertaken a full analysis of both questionnaires and this is sent home with this Newsletter, along with actions taken as a result of the feedback. Please click on the images below to view each one:

Children

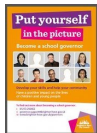


Parents/Carers



PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We will be advertising for a Parent Governor shortly; you can find more information about the role of the Governing Body by visiting the Governor Page on our School Website:



SCHOOL VACANCIES

We currently have a vacancy in the school, which our family members may be interested in. We are looking for someone to join our wonderful team at lunchtimes, supporting children in the Swan Cafe and in the Playground between 12:15-1:15pm. Information about this vitally important role can be found by clicking on this link:

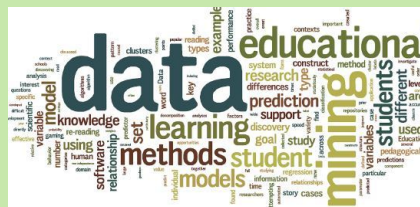


CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

Each year we ask for Parents/Carers from each class to become representatives; usually two reps per class. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Rep, please email your details to the School Office. This important role helps us develop our communication link between home and School. The first meeting is planned for **Thursday 14th October @ 9:30am**. For the time being, meetings will need to be held virtually. More information about the role of Class Reps can be found by clicking [here](#).

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT & IMPROVEMENT PLAN

A family friendly copy of our School Development & Improvement Plan (SDIP) for 21-22 can be found by clicking on the image:



This provides a snapshot of the priorities for the school over the academic year. The SDIP is primarily a working document for use by the school, celebrating achievements and detailing aspirations for the year ahead. The full SDIP is over 30 pages long and therefore a challenge to condense into one page; if you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to ask to see a copy of the full version, which will be placed on the School Website shortly! The aspects highlighted in green are areas we would value parental support with.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

Please ensure your children use the school grounds appropriately at the beginning and end of the school day. This includes the car park and entrance(s) to the school. Children should not be riding on their scooters or bikes in the playground, as it is very busy at the beginning and end of the day. I would also welcome your support in discouraging your child/ren from using any equipment. The Climbing Frame and Outdoor Gym are always enjoyed by the children during school times; however, are closed at the beginning and end of the school day as they are not supervised and therefore compromises health and safety regulations. Thank you for your co-operation.



PRIVACY NOTICE

The UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) requires that data controllers provide certain information to people whose information (personal data) they hold and use. A privacy notice is one way of providing this information. Please click on the link below to see our privacy notice on how we use your child's and your personal data.



PHYSICAL FUN!

Our School Uniform is aimed to enable all children to be physically active during the school day - children are invited to wear leggings, skirted leggings, tracksuit bottoms or shorts with a T-shirt and/or sweatshirt. The only uniformity is the colour theme - grey, black, white or green. Trainers or plimsolls can be worn - they should be plain and non-branded. If your child still likes to wear the more traditional uniform, it is really important that they are dressed appropriately on their PE Days. Our School Uniform Policy is in DRAFT and will be circulated once it has been reviewed by the Full Governing Body. A reminder that a copy of our PE Timetable is on the School Website:

Day	Activity
Monday	Swimming
Tuesday	Swimming
Wednesday	Swimming
Thursday	Swimming
Friday	Swimming

FLU VACCINATION

The flu vaccination programme in schools will be going ahead this term. It is likely that flu and COVID-19 will both be circulating at the same time which means that it is more important than ever this year to help protect against flu. All children in the school are offered a flu vaccination at the school on **Friday 24th September**. The vaccine is offered as a nasal spray and is quick and easy to give and there are no needles involved. For more information for parents/carers please click on the leaflet image, You can also access [Flu Booklet here](#). More information for children can be found at: <https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/illness/flu/> Please return your child's Flu Consent Form by **Monday 20th September @ 11am**.



TAKE PART FESTIVAL

TAKEPART, the Award winning festival hosted by Brighton & Hove City Council's Healthy Lifestyles Team is back this September to celebrate **active living**. From the 20th-26th September, TAKEPART offers everyone the chance to try out over 100 FREE activity taster sessions and online talks, run by organisations, clubs, groups and enthusiasts across the city. There are [activities for all ages and abilities spread throughout the week](#) including; skateboarding, self-defence, wheelchair basketball, buggy walks, table tennis, dance, swimming, climbing and much more. The festival includes a [TAKEPART Talks programme](#) offering a range of talks/workshops that: offer support to people who would like to be more active, discuss the role active living plays in city life and provide opportunity to find out more about different activities available in the city. We want everyone in the city to have the chance to TAKEPART and celebrate active living. There's never been a better time to look after our health and that of those around us.



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