



THE STOPSLEY NEWS

ALL ABOUT STOPSLEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

5th Sept 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you and your families had a wonderful summer. It has been great to see all of the children again. I'm really impressed with how well they have come back to school and have settled into their new classrooms. It's lovely to see the children working hard already and wanting to do the best they can for themselves and for their new teacher.

Although the children don't start with us until next week, I would like to say a warm welcome to all of our new Nursery and Reception families. We are really excited to be working with you and are looking forward to getting to know you all this year. Our Reception teachers have been doing home visits this week and our Nursery teachers have held some 'stay and play' sessions for new 'Hedgehogs' children.

We have an exciting term ahead and can not wait to get started with some of our new adventures, particularly our new Sports Academy (the first one ever in a primary school in the UK) and our new Crazy Golf course, which is being laid soon. We will be taking the first steps to becoming a Rights Respecting School (with UNICEF) this term and we hope to achieve the accolade of being the first primary school in the town with Trauma Informed accreditation.

This half term we are asking the children in all year groups to try to be as 'independent' as they can be. This is our first Learning Behaviour of the year. 'Independence' is an important trait as it helps the children manage things by themselves and this develops their confidence.

Our poster around school for Independence features the wolf, an animal who succeeds on their own! Please do support us by regularly encouraging your children to show 'independence' whenever they can.

The children look very smart in their uniform so thank you for your support with this already. It is important that all children feel valued and part of the Stopsley team so wearing the correct school uniform matters. School staff have high expectations with uniform and this includes children having the correct PE kit on their PE days. Year group letters will come home next week and on these, it will share your child's PE day and other expectations for the year group.

One of our biggest standards for the year ahead will be around children having good attendance. We are introducing newer, higher expectations in attendance and this will be explained in next week's newsletter.

This newsletter will come home every Friday, giving you an update of the week and sharing with you any important messages and dates. Staff are always outside before and after school and are always happy to answer any questions that you may have. Parents are always welcome to ring the school office as well where our lovely team will help you with whatever you need to know. Stopsley has an open door approach.

We're looking forward to working with you for the year ahead.

Mr Fordham
Headteacher



AUTUMN TERM DATES TO REMEMBER!

Thursday 11th September	Flu immunisation (except Nursery and Reception)	Friday 28th November	PTA Non-uniform day
Monday 22nd September	Year 6 Residential	Thursday 4th December	PTA Christmas disco
Wednesday 8th October	All About Reception parent workshop (time TBC)	Tuesday 9th December	KS1 Christmas production 10.30am and 2.00pm
Wednesday 8th October	Reception 'Little City' workshop	Thursday 11th December	Rock Steady Christmas Concert
Wednesday 15th October	Parent's Evening 3.45pm - 7.45pm	Tuesday 16th December	Year 1 Pantomime trip
Wednesday 22nd October	Parent's Evening 3.45pm - 5.45pm	Wednesday 17th December	Christmas dinner and Christmas Jumper day
Friday 24th October	Non-uniform day for Level Trust	Thursday 18th December	Class Christmas parties
Friday 24th October	Last Day of Half Term	Thursday 18th December	Nursery Nativity
Monday 3rd November	Back to School	Friday 19th December	PTA Rainbow Raffle Draw Last Day of Term
Friday 14th November	Children In Need	Monday 5th January	Inset Day - School Closed
Friday 21st November	Inset Day - School Closed	Tuesday 6th January	Back to School

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SPORTS CLUBS

Sign-up for sports clubs for Autumn 1 half term will be live on Arbor this evening at 7.00pm.

You can find the timetable for this half term's clubs on our school website under the 'clubs' section.

Booking will close on
**Wednesday 10th
September at 11.00pm.**



HAVE YOU PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME IN THEIR UNIFORM?

This is your friendly reminder!



Please ensure you name all items of uniform, coats, lunchboxes and water bottles. This helps us to reunite items with their owner when they get misplaced.

An email was sent home earlier this week regarding flu immunisations. Even if you do not wish for your child to have the flu vaccine, please fill out the online form.

Thank you.

SCHOOL NOTICES

PTA NEWS

6 REASONS TO JOIN THE PTA

- 1 SUPPORT THE SCHOOL**
Help raise funds through fun and enriching activities
- 2 IT'S TOTALLY FLEXIBLE**
Get involved as much or as little as you like
- 3 IT'S FUN AND REWARDING**
Volunteering makes a real difference to our children
- 4 BE BETTER CONNECTED**
Connect with staff, other parents, and school life
- 5 USE YOUR SKILLS**
Share your skills - or discover new ones!
- 6 CREATE MEMORIES**
Help create moments your child will look back on

WE NEED YOU! FOR MORE INFO:

Email:
ptaestopsley.primaryluton.co.uk

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WELL DONE TO OUR CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK!

Key Stage 1:
Freedman, Kandinsky and Matisse 100%

Key Stage 2:
Jeffreys 100%

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