



THE STOPSLEY NEWS

ALL ABOUT STOPSLEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

22nd May 2026

CHILDREN IN CHARGE TAKEOVER!

Dear Parents of Stopsley Primary,

We have taken over the school, lol!! By we... we mean the problematic children! As we (the children) are in charge, we are sorry to tell you that Mr Fordham's position as Headteacher has been replaced by us!

It's been a really, really goooood week at Stopsley. It has been busy even though it has been the last week of half term. 'Year number 5' did a cool music performance with instruments, with singing and with dancing on Wednesday. We are pretty sure that 'Year number 1' had farm animals come in and visit them all on Tuesday. We believe the children absolutely loved it! Tbh, it was quite cool (or surreal) to hear the animals go 'baaaaaaaa' or maybe 'bkawk' or 'ahhhhhhhh' whilst we are all in school!

This term we have been learning about and showing 'DETERMINATION'. Woah!... 'Determination' rocks! But as we move into summer 2, it will have to go back to its family when the new learning behaviour 'Curiosity' returns. We're looking forward to interrupting our teachers and asking lots of questions during lessons!

To all families who are part of the Stopsley community... We have a gift for you from us... Us 'Year number 6s' have just finished our SATS (they were cool by the way) and now we go into our last half term at the school meaning our time here is coming to an end... The gift is that we leave, so you will get peace. We hope you get to stay in charge for ever more!

We hope you all have a good half term!



Mishal and Aria

Year Number 6 Students in Murray class

SEE YOU BACK AT
SCHOOL ON
TUESDAY 2ND
JUNE!

Unfortunately, I can't write as well as the two girls have done but I do just want to say thank you to all families for their ongoing support over this past half term. As the 'Year Number 6s' said, it has been a great week with some amazing things happening. We are looking forward to coming back after half term when we have school sports day and a year 6 trip to Gulliver's Land.

We are very proud of every child across the school and yet again, I have continually witnessed some amazing work, attitudes and progress being made by so many children. We hope you all have a lovely half term break (and enjoy the long-awaited sunshine!) We will see everyone again on Tuesday 2nd June. The school is closed for staff training on Monday 1st June.

Mr Fordham
Headteacher

YEAR 1: TEACHING TALONS WORKSHOP



Year 1 had a fantastic visit from Teaching Talons this week and enjoyed getting up close to a variety of amazing animals, including hedgehogs, tortoises, guinea pigs, a bearded dragon, an owl, a parrot and a clever dog called Chip!

The children loved watching Chip perform tricks, hearing Albert the parrot proudly say "I'm a good boy!", and seeing Pig the owl fly across the room. Throughout the session, the children learnt lots of interesting facts about the animals and how they are cared for. It was a wonderful hands-on experience that everyone thoroughly enjoyed!

YEAR 6 LEAVERS HOODIES

If your child is in year 6, please order their leavers hoody via the Google form link:



<https://forms.gle/BQdVjc13QrFzTeEM8>



YEAR 5: MUSIC CONCERT



Year 5 proudly performed a fantastic music concert for their families this week. The children showcased their talents through drumming, recorder performances, singing and dancing, entertaining the audience with their confidence and enthusiasm. Well done to all of Year 5 for their hard work and a wonderful performance!

FIDGET TOYS

We have noticed an increasing number of children bringing fidget toys into school and swapping them with friends. To help minimise distractions and prevent items from being lost or causing disagreements, we kindly ask that fidget toys are left at home unless specifically agreed with school staff.

For children who benefit from the use of fidget resources, these are provided by school as part of their individual support.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PTA NEWS

Choose us as your Co-op local cause

Thanks to the 431 people who have selected us so far to receive a share of £5 million funding towards the dining hall!

Could YOU be one of the 19 who take us to 450?

Spread The Word!!

Visit <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/99942>

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!

KS1: Freedman, Kandinsky and Matisse 97.9%

PRIZE: iPad time, a non-uniform day and time on the jungle gym

KS2: Jeffreys 97.8%
PRIZE: double points

FATHER'S DAY POP-UP SHOP!

Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th June

There will be a selection of wrapped gifts available for your child to choose for someone special at a price of £3.50 each.

Children will need to bring in the money in a labelled envelope on the day of the shop.

Stopsley Primary School PTA RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED!

CAN YOU HELP?

We're looking for raffle prize donations for our upcoming school fundraiser.

- Gift cards
- New toys or games
- Experiences
- Hampers
- Business services

EVERY DONATION HELPS.
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Miss Britten

Teaching Assistant



How do you feel when it rains?

If I'm out on the playground I'm not happy about it, but if I'm at home then I don't mind if it rains, I quite like it.

Are you a shower or a bath person?

Shower, can't stand a bath. Hate it.

What's your favourite cuisine?

I would say Japanese or Mexican.

What's your favourite programme to watch?

I quite like to watch Game of Thrones or if I need something a bit lighter, New Girl.

What's your favourite board game?

Erm... There's one called Pay Day. It's quite niche, I don't think many people know about it. I played it a lot when I was younger.

What's your favourite perfume?

I actually wear dupes from Noted Aromas but my favourite would be Baccarat Rouge or Prada.

Do you have any hobbies?

I do. I actually teach dance after school. I've done that for a couple of years now - I work for a dance school. I like to go to the zoo quite a bit and I like to go to the cinema as well.

When is your birthday?

My birthday is on the 2nd March.

Greggs or McDonalds?

Oooh, I'm gonna say McDonalds. I worked at Greggs for a couple of years and it's completely put me off.

If you had to relocate to a different country, where would you live?

I'd probably have to say Australia. The weather would sell it to me.

Why do you get away with things from mum and dad that I used to get told off for?

(Question from Mrs Fuller)

Laughs I figured that question would be from her! Because I'm the youngest and the youngest just gets away with everything.

What's your full name?

My full name is Abigail Kate Britten.

How old are you?

Laughs I was 24 last year. (Child: So you're 25?) Yeah I'm 25. *Laughs*

Which teacher do you know the best in the school?

Well obviously I probably know Mrs Fuller the best but I'd probably say Mrs Pooley, I know her quite well.

When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?

I wanted to be a lot of things when I was a child. To begin with I wanted to work with animals, be a vet. Then I wanted to be a lawyer. Then I wanted to be a dancer, specifically in Disney World. And now, I'd actually quite like to go on and do my teaching and be a teacher.

What is it like being Mrs Fuller's sister? Do you get on? And have you got anything funny you can tell us about her?

Mrs Fuller is a great sister. She does a lot for me and we get on very well. Me, her and my other sister are like little besties. But she is an awful dancer. When we were younger she paid me to give her dance lessons and I gave her the money back because she was so awful.

Tea or peace tea?

A couple of years ago Mr Dymock gave me a 'peace tea' to try. It worked very well and I pretty much fell asleep and couldn't really move. It really calms you.

What's your favourite fictional character?

Severus Snape. Reminds me a bit of me sometimes.

If you weren't a teaching assistant, what do you think you'd be doing?

I would probably be working at the zoo. I probably would have gone into working with animals.

What do you do on a typical weekend?

Typical weekend, Friday night I probably go to the cinema and get a Nandos. Saturday I normally have to watch football or sit at home and watch football. Sunday is a chill day, I don't do anything.

If you went on holiday and you could bring one person, who would it be?

I think it would probably have to be my boyfriend.

What music do you like?

I like Harry Styles, Taylor Swift, Sabrina Carpenter and I'm actually quite partial to some country music too.

Did you find anything tricky as a child?

I found maths quite tricky actually. I really struggled with maths, but I just kept practicing and now I'd actually say it's my favourite subject and my favourite class to be in.

Would you rather teach in primary school or high school?

Primary school. Because I feel like high school children are quite tall and I'd probably get mistaken for one of the children. And they can be quite scary.

What's your least favourite country?

Probably the UK when it rains.

What were your favourite subjects when you were at school?

I really liked PE, drama and history.

What is your favourite holiday destination?

Oooh. Hmmm, I would say anywhere where I'm with my family or friends and I can chill. And obviously a lot of sunshine.

How long does it take you to get ready in the morning?

Erm, depending how quickly I choose to get up and get sorted. I would say if I'm in a rush about half an hour. If I take a bit of a slower pace, about 45 minutes.

If you won the lottery, what's the first thing you'd buy?

Probably a new car. I think I'm in need of a new car.

What are your favourite shoes?

My New Balances that I'm wearing right now. Very comfy, would recommend.

Would you rather stay in or go out on a Saturday night?

Mmmm... Stay in. Unless it was somewhere like the cinema. Then I could do that.

What's the weirdest thing you've ever eaten?

I've actually nibbled on a fried mouse before. I was offered it on the side of a road in Africa. I didn't like it!

If you could trade lives with a celebrity, who would it be and why?

David Attenborough. I think he's an incredible man. He's seen so much of the world and knows so much about animals

How long have you been a dance teacher?

I started as a dance teacher at the same time as I started here and I've been here for about three and a half years, so about three and a half years.

What's your 'go to' meal to cook?

I'm not actually a very good cook, so I don't do much cooking. Erm, probably like a pasta, I could probably do that.

Who's funnier, you or Mrs Fuller?

Me or Mrs Fuller? I think Mrs Fuller thinks she is, but we both know that it's me.

What is your favourite piece of furniture that you have in your house?

My bed. No question about it. My bed.

Do you have any pets?

I don't but I'd ideally like a dog.

Are you scared of spiders?

I'm very scared of spiders.

Do you like to travel?

I do like to travel. I like to try and see as many countries as I can.

What football team do you support and why?

I support Man United and that's purely because my whole family do.

What's your favourite Taylor Swift song?

Betty

What's your favourite fast food restaurant?

Can you class Nandos as fast food? I would say Nandos.

What's your guilty pleasure?

Erm. Percy Pigs. I could probably demolish a whole bag.

What's your greatest fear?

Probably spiders or falling.

Do you like rollercoasters?

No, I hate them.

What's your favourite style of dance to dance?

I would probably say contemporary. So it's a bit of a mix of ballet and a modern style and you can do it to all the sad songs.

What's your least favourite food?

Peas. I just can't get on board with peas.

FUN FACTS:

- ◆ I like reading The Hunger Games book series.
- ◆ My favourite colour is yellow. Any shade of yellow, I love them all.
- ◆ Netball is my favourite sport.
- ◆ I'm a size 5 shoe.
- ◆ My favourite animal is a hippo.

* KIDS EAT FREE

(OR FOR £1)

MAY HALF TERM

WE HOPE YOU HAVE A FANTASTIC HALF TERM BREAK! WE THOUGHT THIS LIST OF PLACES TO EAT FOR FREE OR £1 OVER THE HOLIDAY WOULD BE HELPFUL.

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE

Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN

Two kids eat FREE 27th March - 19th April

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat FREE Sunday - Thursday

BEEFEATER AND BREWERS FAYRE

Two kids eat FREE breakfast with one paying adult

BILLS

Kids eat FREE Mon 25th - Friday 29th May

BREWDOG

Kids eat FREE 23rd - 31st May

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week

CHIQUITO

Kids eat FREE during all school holidays

COCONUT TREE

Kids eat FREE during half terms

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal purchase

FARMHOUSE INNS

Kids eat FREE from 25th - 29th May

FLAMING GRILL PUBS

Kids eat FREE from 25th - 29th May

FRANKIE AND BENNY'S

Kids eat FREE during school holidays

FRANCO MANCA

Kids eat FREE during school holidays, Mon - Thurs

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for FREE with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSAY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 from 25th - 29th May

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE via the app

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 eat FREE daily with a paying adult

MORRISONS

Kids eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend, all day

PIZZA HUT

Kids eat FREE every day after 3pm

PREMIER INN

Two kids eat for FREE with one adult breakfast

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat FREE with 1 paying adult

PREZZO

Kids up to age 12 eat for £1 during half terms

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get FREE pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1 every Monday to Friday, 3-7pm

TABLE TABLE

Two kids eat FREE breakfast daily with one paying adult

TESCO

Kids eat FREE May half term with any adult spend

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids eat FREE Mon 11th - Sun 31st May via the app

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with a £10 spend

TRAVELODGE

Two kids eat FREE with 1 adult breakfast

TURTLE BAY

Kids eat FREE with every £15 adult spend via the app

VILLAGE HOTELS

Kids eat FREE weekdays via the village app

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat FREE every weekday during school holidays

ZIZZI

Kids eat FREE via the app during school holidays

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