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Multi Academy Trust

# St Stephens Community Academy Fortnightly Family Newsletter

*"Together towards a bright, positive and successful future"*



Friday 10th November 2017

Dear Parents,



Thank you to all the parents who have supported us with our focus on behaviour. We have been busy in school supporting children to make positive school choices. This focus has been going very positively. We have had various visitors from STEM– Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics come and visit our Key Stage Two classes to help children learn about different jobs and activities that they could do. We have had a great response to poppy selling this last week. It is an important time to remember those who fought for our country and pay our respects. It is now darker in the evenings so please can we ask that all children are keeping safe when out in the community.

Regards, Mrs Saunders

## Academy School Improvement:

The first focus this last fortnight has been pupil progress meetings. This is where all the teachers meet with Mrs Saunders to discuss individual progress of children this half term in reading. Home reading is especially important and we do hope all parents support the reading of 5 times a week.

### Attendance

#### Wk Ending

3rd November 2017

CLASS F	97.1%
CLASS 1	92.4%
CLASS 2	90.8%
CLASS 3	97.7%
CLASS 4	97.5%
CLASS 5	95.9%
CLASS 6	94.3%
CLASS 7	93.1%

### Key Diary Dates

W/c 13th November	Parents lunch week £1 per adult (no siblings)
<b>KS1 12noon, KS2 12.15pm</b>	<b>Mon F &amp; 3</b>
	<b>Tues 1 &amp; 4</b>
	<b>Weds 2 &amp; 5</b>
	<b>Thurs 3 &amp; 6</b>
Mon 13th November	Bikeability starts
Mon 13th November	Odd Socks Day for Anti Bullying Week
Weds 15th November	Whole School Learning Powers Day
Thurs 23rd November	Class F trip to Vanstones Garage
Weds 29th November	Wave Project, non-uniform £1 donation
Weds 13th/Thurs 14th Dec	9.30am KS1 Nativity
Tues 19th December	1.30pm KS2 Christmas Carol at church
Weds 20th December	Last day of term
Mon 8th January 2018	Back to School
Mon 15th January 2018	Shanghai Teachers visiting for two weeks



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## UNICEF

This week in school we have been focusing on **Article 17** of the Convention on the Rights of a Child: *'Every child has the right to reliable information from the media. This should be information that children can understand.'*

We have put up our 'Hall Charter' in school this week which is being referred to by pupils and adults. It outlines the roles and responsibilities we have when using the school hall.

The 'Rights Child of the Week' over the past two weeks has been:

**Amber (Year 2)** for always following the class charter.

**Ryley (Year 6)** for working well with his team during Tag Rugby lessons.

**Well done to Amber and Ryley and all the children who were nominated by their class over the past two weeks!**

## Pre School

As you are aware pre school has an unusually high number of children off due to various illnesses at this time. If you suspect your child is unwell, please keep them at home. Also if they are diagnosed with a contagious illness then please inform us so that we can notify other parents.



On a more positive note the blue token scheme at Tesco has now started for us, so do please remember to support the pre school if you shop at Tesco by putting your tokens in the pre school slot.



## STEM

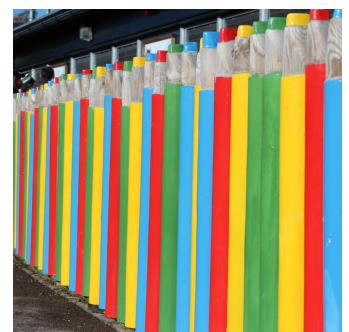
On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, we were lucky enough to have Ally from Total Energy Solutions come and talk to us in year 2 and KS2. We discussed how technology has evolved through history and what the world around us would look like if there had never been engineering. Ally explained that the first ever interactive toy contained more technology than the first space shuttle used in the Apollo mission to the moon. The children were excited to discover that planes and cars are now being developed that can travel without the need for a driver or pilot. However, would they be trusting enough to ride in one? The children were not so sure! The importance of using renewable energy was expressed along with how to save energy in our own homes and the impact this will have on the future of our planet. When asked what they had learnt, one child said "I learnt that today will never happen again as the future is always changing!"



## Pencil fence!

Our pencil fence is being updated next Tuesday.

Work will start on replacing the pencil fence around our Area Resource Base and our playground. It is an exciting time as the fence will be upgraded and we will have fence for our extended Key Stage One playground. This will mean that works vehicles will be in our staff car park. Please keep safe during this time and remember our car park is for staff cars only.



## Odd Sock Day

Next week is anti-bullying week. On **Monday 13th November** we are having an Odd Socks day.

All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school, it couldn't be simpler! Odd Socks day will take place on the first day of Anti Bullying Week, Monday 13th November to help raise awareness for Anti-Bullying Week.

# ODD SOCKS DAY FOR ANTI-BULLYING WEEK



Anti-Bullying Alliance



All Different

All Equal

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

## CAR PARK

Please ensure that children are NOT walking through our car park. We regularly have reports of children running through our car park. It is not a safe place to have children walking through. Please can we continue to remind everyone that our car park is for our staff and needs to provide emergency vehicle access at all times. Please do walk if you are local and ensure our roads nearby are free of cars. It makes a much safer environment.



## House Team Scores

Castle: 689

Roundhouse: 648

Zigzag: 780

Priory: 570



Table football



Arts & Crafts



Table tennis



## LAUNCESTON SEN YOUTH GROUP

Free parking

Come along to Launceston SEN youth group at the Gateway Centre every 3rd Saturday of the month, from 10am till 12pm. Free parking  
£2 entrance fee per child, which includes refreshments.

THE YOUTH GROUP IS AVAILABLE FOR EVERY AGE CHILD WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS + THEIR SIBLINGS & CARER'S. ENJOY A SAFE RELAXED HAPPY ATMOSPHERE WHERE YOU CAN HAVE A CUPPA & CHAT WHILE YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN SOCIALISE & PLAY IN A FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT. WE ARE ALSO HOPING TO CREATE A MUCH NEEDED SUPPORT SERVICE FOR ALL.

Pool table



Refreshments

Computer games



## ESF funded programme

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to Mrs Hooper who is now **Acting Assistant Head of School**—focusing on English