

# Live

Learning  
Inspiring  
Voyaging  
Educating



# Love

Live  
Our  
Values  
Everyday

# Staverton CE Primary School Newsletter

March 2023

"Above all be loving, this ties everything together perfectly"

Colossians 3:14

**Responsibility; Friendship; Honesty; Compassion; Respect; Perseverance**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to share that our Early Year's outdoor provision will be having a make-over during the Easter break. Cummins in Daventry, are very kindly volunteering their time and resources at no cost to our school, to paint and clean the outdoor area of Poppies' class during the Easter break. Following an application to Global Giving, we have also managed to secure funding to add a mud kitchen, a water feature, a climbing frame and musical instruments to the outdoor area. We can't wait to see the children's faces in Poppies' class when it is all completed! Thank you very much to Franky-Bill's dad. We are also delighted to share with you that Mrs Samantha Clark has secured a permanent contract at Staverton Primary School and we are thrilled to welcome her to our team.

Alongside the Early Year's outdoor area, we are also rearranging our library to promote a love of reading. Once children finish the Read,Write,Inc reading scheme, they will be able to select a book from a broad and inviting range of children's books organised into different genres. We hope this new way of organising our library will support children to better find books they enjoy reading and begin the journey of being a life-long avid reader and lover of books. For children who are reading a book on the Read, Write, Inc reading scheme they will continue to take home both a matched book as well as a book to have read to them at home for pleasure.

We had our Ofsted inspection this term and we are looking forward to sharing our report with you all as soon as we receive it. The children were amazing!

A big 'well done' to Miss Jess Higgs who has completed her Apprenticeship. She has worked incredibly hard and this is very well deserved. We are all very proud of you Jess!

We are looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 17th April. The gates will open as normal at 08:40 and the bell will ring at 08:45 where the children will line up on the playground and walk into school in their classes.



With all good wishes for a wonderful Easter break,

Ruth Nelmes

Headteacher

## Music:

Tuesday

Guitar lessons

Wednesday

Violin lessons

Thursday

Piano / Keyboard lessons

## Teacher Clubs Summer term – Playground games - (every lunchtime)

Monday- Skipping – Mrs Nelmes

Tuesday- What's the time Mr Wolf? Stuck in the mud - Mrs Wookey

Wednesday- Parachute games – Mrs Gresham

Thursday- Elastics – Mrs Bell

Friday – Bouncy hoppers – Mrs Clark

## Dates for the diary:

29 March - Church Easter Service @ 2.00

30 March - Cake Sale

Reports Issued

Break for Easter Holidays

17 April - School re-opens @ 8.40am

21 April - Cake Sale for Malawi

24 April - Y5 Dodgeball

1 May - Bank Holiday

6 May - Coronation of King Charles III

8 - 11 May Year 6 SATs

24 May - KS2 Tri Golf Festival

26 May - School closes for Half Term

5 June - School re-opens to pupils

21 - 23 June - Roses Everdon

## Clubs:

Monday

Sports Crew

(12.300 - 1.00 - Year 6 Sports Leaders)

KS2 Netball

(12.00-12.30 - Mr Canning)

KS1 & 2 Tri Golf

(3:15-4:15 - Mr Canning)

Tuesday

KS2 Cross Country

(12.30- 1.00 Mr Canning)

KS2 Hockey

(3:15-4:15 - Mr Canning)

Wednesday

KS1 & KS2 Gymnastics

(3:15 – 4:15 - GLK Coaching)

Thursday

KS2 Football

(3:15-4:15 - Pro Goals)

**Congratulations to all the  
children who were Stars of  
the Week this month!**

## Values

Our value next half term is

**Friendship.**

We are looking forward to our new  
Worship Leaders leading Collective  
Worship this half term.

## Birthday Corner:

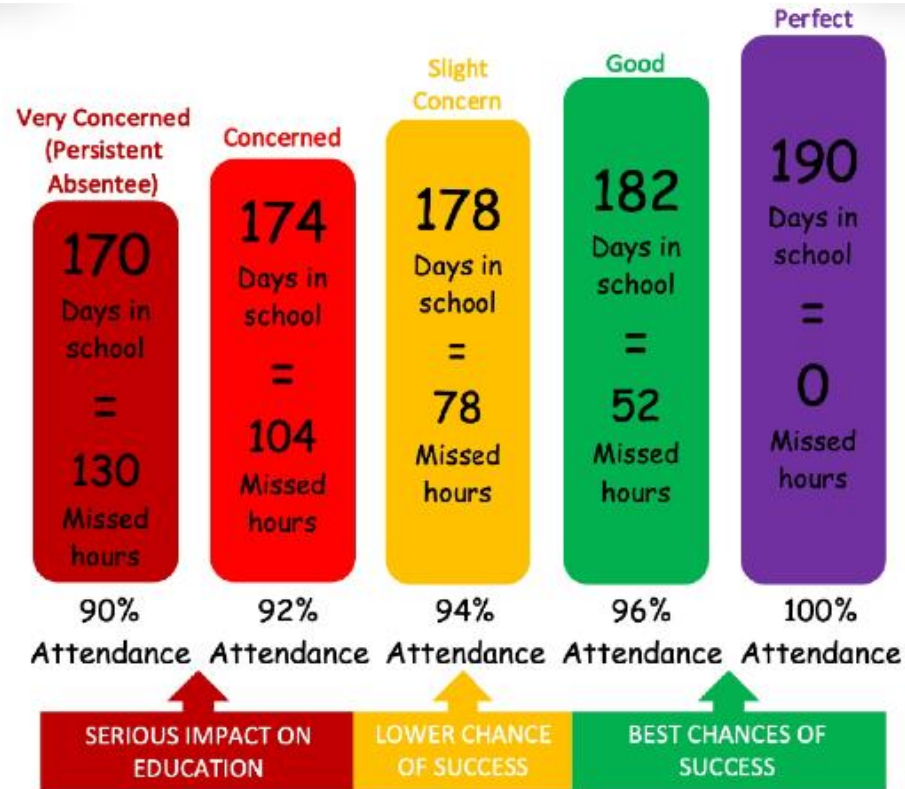
Wishing the following children a very  
Happy Birthday!

Phoebe, Hugo, Oliver, Evelyn, Kiera,  
Isabel, Connor, Rupert & Rupert  
Mia, Rory, Harper & Elodie,



# **Meet Mrs Gresham**

- ❖ I joined Staverton School in January 2023 and I have really enjoyed getting to know everyone**
- ❖ When I was at school, my favourite subjects were English and History**
- ❖ I love going to France, but a place I would really like to visit is Rome**
  - ❖ My favourite sport is Formula 1 (I support Max Verstappen)**
  - ❖ I love reading, gardening and spending time with my family**
  - ❖ I have a crazy dog called Monty and a cat called Oliver**



### Did you know?

When children attend school they:

- Can achieve their full potential
- Have better career prospects
- Learn how to look after themselves
- Learn how to be healthy
- Grow in confidence
- Keep up with work and homework
- Make new friends

A two-week holiday in term-time means the **highest** attendance your child can get is **94.7%**. This is 65 hours of missed school time.

# Attendance Matters

# E-safety checklist to keep children safe online.

Setting up devices for children will help them get the best out of their digital experiences. Use this e-safety checklist to get started.

## Set Up Safe Checklist

internet  
matters.org

Set your child up for online safety with these simple tasks

### Manage broadband & mobile networks



At home, access your broadband network and set applicable controls.



On the go, set up controls on the relevant mobile network.

See step-by-step guides to help

### Prepare their device



Explore the device controls and settings to set limits on inappropriate content, screen time, spending and more.



Download and install the apps and games you're okay with your child using.



Set up controls in these apps and games to help keep your child safe while they play, browse or chat.



Install or set up additional parental control apps for further protection.

Explore step-by-step guides for social media and video gaming

### Talk & learn regularly

Together, learn about online safety issues that might impact your child.

Together, explore privacy and safety settings on their favourite platforms.

Ask them to teach you about their favourite online platforms to create an open environment for conversation.

Keep these conversations going for continuous support.



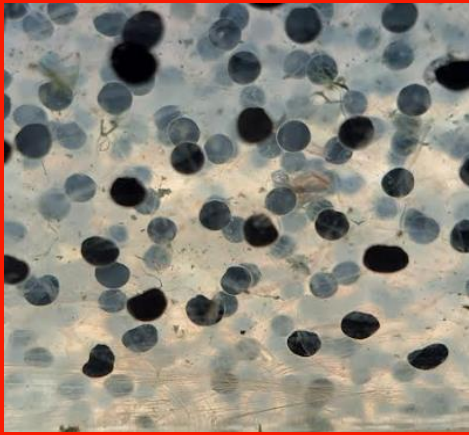
Visit [internetmatters.org](https://internetmatters.org) for more advice

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# Poppies

Poppies have welcomed me into their class and what a term it has been! We have immersed ourselves in everything growing. We firstly learnt the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We re-enacted the traditional tale and even got to grow our very own magic beans and make golden eggs.

The rest of the term we have been fully immersed in the life cycle of a tadpole. We have our very own frogspawn and tadpoles in the classroom and have been watching them change alongside our 2 stories 'Tadpole's Promise' and 'Teeny Tiny Tadpole'. We have even had a go at writing one of these stories ourselves. We have also learnt about our body and how we grow. We know all about healthy foods, our senses and are confident with naming our different body parts.

We have continued our 'Trekking Tuesdays' with a focus on looking for signs of spring and comparing Old and new houses.

We are looking forward to the Easter service where we will proudly be showing off our Easter bonnets.





# Sunflowers



Sunflowers' class have been exploring Staverton village. They logged on to Digi maps to have a bird's eye view of Staverton and then went for a walk around the village to find landmarks such as St Mary's church and the Countryman pub.

Sunflowers have learnt about the Easter story and have made palm leaves which they are looking forward to waving in our Easter service at church

on Wednesday afternoon. Sunflowers had a fantastic time at the KS1 Superhero Festival, showing off not only their fabulous multisport skills but also their very cool superhero poses. Super work Sunflowers!



# Roses

What a busy term it has been in Roses!

In our art lessons this term we have been learning how to tie-dye, which was a lot of fun. In Science, we completed an experiment to see how the digestive system works and learnt all about teeth.

We have been really lucky to have Northampton Saints in every Wednesday afternoon and the children have really enjoyed their sessions. Some children also took part in a hockey skills event and had great fun learning new skills. This term we have read the true story 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin and we have really enjoyed learning about her life in Trinidad and how it changed when she came to England.

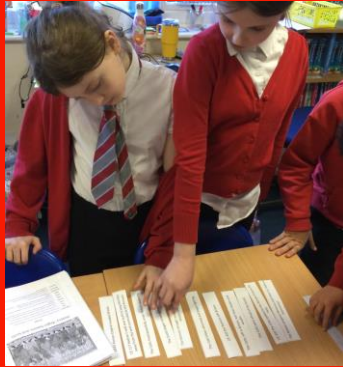
Our writing has been focused on London and the children have created some amazing leaflets to persuade people to visit. We then had the amazing opportunity to visit London.

We went on the train and the underground. We saw so many amazing landmarks such as; Big Ben, The London eye, Buckingham Palace, The Shard and Trafalgar Square. The children were an absolute pleasure to take and their excitement each time we took a new train or saw something different was a real joy to see.

Well done Roses!



# Bluebells

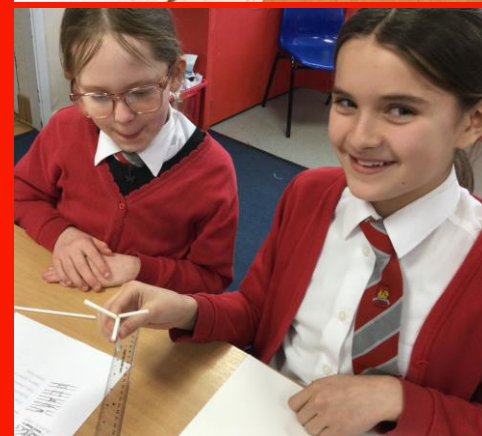


Bluebell's have had a fantastic Spring term. In English we have been exploring the text Beowulf, Bluebell Class enjoyed becoming reporters for the day and interviewing some key witnesses to Beowulf's heroic deeds before writing their own newspaper article about his battle with the Sea-Hag.

In science we have started our learning about light and Bluebells have carried out experiments to prove that light travels in straight lines and to find out how then we can see around corners.

In DT, Bluebells have been exploring 3D structures and how to make them strong and rigid. They are now preparing to make their own Anglo-Saxon houses that will survive a British storm.

Super work Bluebells, a great term. Enjoy your Easter break!





# Sport at Staverton



Staverton have had another fun filled active term filled with Daily Mile Club, Sports Crew lunchtime activities and hockey and netball clubs to name just a few. Northampton Saints have been in school again this term, supporting Roses Class with their rugby skills.

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Roses class took part in the KS2 Hockey Festival and showed super School Games values, working as a team and supporting each other and Bluebells took part in the KS2 Netball Festival building their competition skills and knowledge and understanding of the new Bee Netball rules.

Super work Staverton. Well done.



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