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Partnership**

STAPLE HILL NEWS

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Friday 26th February

Dear Parents/Carers.

I hope you all had a restful half term.

It is great news that the children will be returning to school on Monday 8th March. You will all have received a letter from Mr Newman outlining our plans for the return. We are looking forward to seeing the children back, as we have missed them so much. We are hoping that this return to our Staple Hill school community will be as smooth as possible.

You have all done so much over the last couple of months and should be very proud of the commitment you have shown to your children's education. We are aware that some of the children and parents may have some anxiety about returning to school and we are putting plans in place to ensure that the return to learning will have a high focus on children's well-being and friendships. More details about timings etc. will follow next week.

This however is a good time to ensure children are getting back into routines and timings around the school day. It is also a good time to ensure that their uniform still fits!, as I am sure many of the children will have grown in height. If you are having any difficulties with sourcing new school uniform please see the Facebook page of the friends of the school who have uniform for sale.

We will still put up the weekly timetable for home learning w/b Monday-1/03 by 4:30pm today.

You will notice however that connect times will only happen on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next week.

All live assemblies/PHSE lessons have been cancelled for next week.

Thursday 4th March is World Book Day. Miss Weldrake's letter is again attached at the end of this newsletter, but she would also like to share the following:-

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day with you on Thursday.

A Zoom link for your live lesson beginning at 9am will be posted the evening before.

A loom video link will also be posted if you need to watch the video again.

We cannot wait to see your challenges uploaded from the day to Class Dojo by 2pm.

On this post you will also be able to find the Zoom link for the bedtime story at 6pm!

Finally, don't forget throughout the week there will be live author sessions on The World Book Day website. They can be found using the link below. You can watch them live or watch them at a later date on The World Book Day YouTube channel. <https://www.worldbookday.com/events/>

Wednesday 3rd March 10.30am- Books that Make you LOL! Starring Humza Arshad, Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton (Football School), Jonny Duddle and Zanib Mian.

Thursday 4th March, 10.30am- World Book Day special – Bringing Reading to Life.

Friday 5th March, 10.30am- Books and the Real World Starring: Sita Brahmachari, Jess French and Katherine Rundell.

On Friday the 5th March there will still be home learning available but this may look different in terms of quantity and format. This is to allow all teachers in school to set up classrooms and the school environment ready for the children's return on the following Monday.

Next week we will also be engaging on an art project with the children in school to welcome their friends back. This will be based on children drawing /painting/collaging pictures of things which they have felt hopeful about this last year, or things that have been tricky and things which they are looking forward to. Children at home could contribute by to this as well.

Pictures can be drawn on A4/A5 paper. We will collect all the pictures that have been created in the school office and pass them on to a community art project happening over the Easter holidays.

Thank you again for all your help and support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Sharon Boulton

Headteacher

Staple Hill Primary School



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Do not forget during these difficult times if you are struggling for any reasons we are here to help and support as much as possible.

Mrs Dawes is available to discuss any concerns and signpost to organisations who may be able to help.

If you find yourself in financial difficulties your child may be entitled to pupil premium

funding. This means that they receive a free school dinner and the school receives funding which can be used to offer further support in school. This can be accessed by phoning: 01454 868008 (option 2) or online via the South Gloucestershire Council website.

Please contact Mrs Dawes for further support.

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enquiries@staplehillschool.co.uk Please use this email with the recipient's name as the subject or a specific subject if you are not sure who can deal with your enquiry e.g. lunch, free school meals, etc.:

Mr Newman - Executive Headteacher

Mrs Boulton - Headteacher

Mr Hillier-Brown - Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Dawes - Parent Support Worker

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