

STANLEY PARK JUNIOR SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER

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MATHS FAMILY EVENING



On the 3rd October 2018, members of the school community gathered at SPJS to enjoy our Maths Family Evening - this year it was all about fun!

Families enjoyed a range of different workshops run by the teachers including maths with art, dice games, statistics, shape investigations, times tables and maths of the day (active maths in the main hall).

There were many smiling faces as families sought to practise mathematical skills, deepen thinking and, most of all, enjoy spending time with one another through maths!

A big thank you to all those who attended this event!

Y5 ANCIENT GREECE DAY



On Tuesday 16th October, Year 5 travelled back in time as they participated in Ancient

Greek day, designed to enrich their learning in the topic.

Most children dressed up, along with the teaching staff, and there were some fantastic costumes! The children enjoyed painting their sculpted Greek pottery, creating their own Ancient Greek monstrous beasts and designing and creating a card game using ratings for different mythological characters. Added to this, the children got the opportunity to learn a few Greek numerals as well. What a lot of learning!

It was a fantastic day's experience for the children and one that, hopefully, they will remember for a long time.

Y4 ROMAN DAY

As part of their fascinating topic studying The Romans, year 4 welcomed 'Dominus' a real life Roman legionary to school to teach us all about Roman life.

We started by learning some of the history of Rome as well as how and why the Roman Empire expanded as far as Britain. Following that, Dominus showed us some amazing Roman artefacts including coins, weapons, armour, cooking tools and bathroom accessories! We all had a chance to learn a bit more about Roman life through a quiz and then played two Roman games - Ludus and Delta.

In the afternoon, once we had become 'civilized', Dominus welcomed us to his legion and schooled us in the art of marching, fighting and gladiator battles.

We learned all about the Roman occupation of Britain and the warrior queen Boudicca before competing in some closely contested gladiator fights.

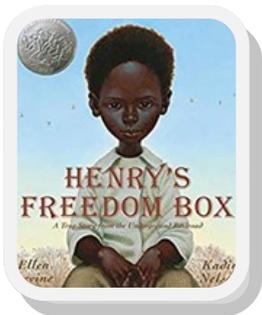


YEAR 3 LOCAL AREA WALK



Year 3 were lucky enough to venture out to explore our wonderful local area to find out more about how the land is used in different ways and to see some of the nature growing right on our door step. The children, armed with clipboards, walked from school, up Stanley Road and into Queen Mary's park. On the way, they made notes about the shops, businesses and houses around our school. Once at the park, we found out more about how the land used to be home to Queen Mary's hospital. Before heading back to school, the children identified the different types of trees by looking at their leaves and seeds. We saw horse chestnut trees, oak trees and sycamore trees.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



As a school, we looked at Black History Month and how things have changed over time for people around the world. Each year group reflected on this in lessons and assemblies. A fantastic book that year 4 read was "Henry's Freedom Box" by Erin Dower. Why not read it with your family?

WEAR IT WILD DAY

We are pleased to report that £363.83 was raised for the World Wildlife Fund during our Wear it Wild Day. Thank you for your donations. School Council will soon be writing to you about this.



YEAR 3 STONE AGE WORKSHOP

Year 3 had a fantastic day on Tuesday 16th October when they were visited by Flint, the Stone Age Man. He taught them how life during the Stone Age was different to our lives now. They got to learn how people would hunt and gather food, as well as how people would make tools, like axes and spears, to help them survive. As the day went on, they travelled through to the Bronze Age to the Iron Age, finding out how things changed and developed like homes, tools and weapons. It was a fun day we know the children will remember!



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you for your very generous donations for our Harvest Festival. Your donations will really make a difference to the homeless people of London. They have now been collected by the Manna Society for distribution.



WALKING HOME FROM SCHOOL

In preparation for High School some of our year 5 and 6 children start walking home from school on their own. If you would like your child to walk home on their own or with an older sibling, we require your written permission for them to do so. Please see the letter on our website <http://www.spjs.org/Letters-Home>

PARENTS EVENING

On Wednesday 7th November school closes at 1.20 pm as we have our parents evening. If you haven't already done so, please complete the form advising us whether you will be collecting your child at 1.20pm or 3.20pm. The letter can be found on our website: <http://www.spjs.org/Letters-Home> or can be collected from the racks outside the school office.

WORDS OF THE WEEK

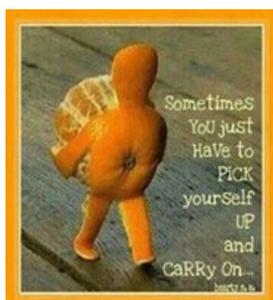
We hope you've been trying to use our words of the week both at home and at school. Here are a few we've seen children use in their work.

"My life before was horrible, they were really abrasive towards me." **Florence E 4J**

"Captain Pegleg is a smart, diligent man because he can solve mystery clues."
Hera S 3S

"Despite how his father felt, he was very chivalrous to his grandfather." **Karan M 5P**

VALUE OF THE MONTH



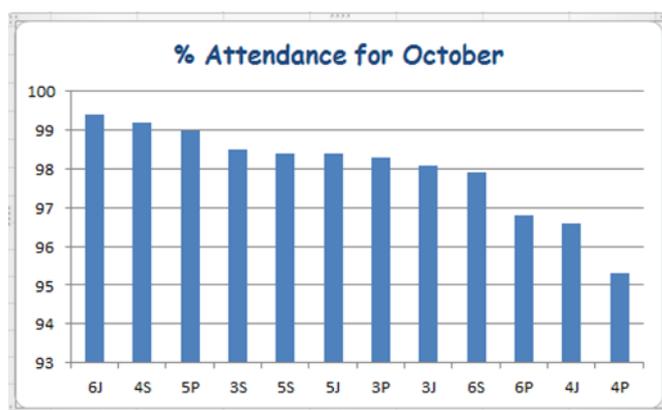
In October we have looked at the value "resilience." In school great learners are resilient and see mistakes as things to learn from.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The orders have now been sent home with the children. Thank you for putting your orders in, which all help to raise money for the school.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

We hope you enjoyed seeing your child's Christmas card design. The orders have now all been collected. We hope to receive the cards during the first week of December. As soon as they come in, they will be sent home with your child.



BOOK REVIEW

The School for Good and Evil

Author: Soman Chainani

Genre: Magic

Age Group: Year 5 & 6

The School for Good and Evil is a book about two friends [Sophie and Agatha]. The two girls could not be so different. Sophie is trying to be a princess and Agatha seems like a witch. When the girls are taken to The School for Good and Evil, you find out the princess and witch don't look like they do in normal fairy tales. This mistake will change their whole fairy tale.



SPORTS NEWS

Cross Country: SPJS are Champions again!

On Wednesday 17th October we took a group of children to Sutton Grammar playing fields at Northey Avenue.

They had to run over a mile against a large number of pupils from across the borough, through woods, mud and grass. It was delightful to see so many children beating their overall placements from last year.

We were extremely pleased to be Borough Champions for the second year running. Here are the results:

	Y4 Girls (87)	Y4 Boys (105)	Y5 Girls (88)	Y5 Boys (101)	Y6 Girls (86)	Y6 Boys (98)	Overall
1st	St Elphege's 41	St Dunstan's 70	Stanley Park Jnr 72	Nonsuch Jr 54	Stanley Park Jr 45	Cheam Common 46	Stanley Park Jnr
2nd	Dorchester 56	Westbourne 74	AS Benhilton 82	St Dunstan's 57	Sutton High Jr 58	AS Cahrshalton 81	St Elphege's
3rd	Nonsuch Jr 79	Stanley Park Jnr 78	AS Carshalton 96	BH Woodfield 62	Dorchester 84	Barrow Hedges 84	Cheam Common
4th	St Dunstan's 89	St Elphege's 81	St Elphege's 97	Stanley Park Jr 69	St Elphege's 86	Nonsuch Jr 92	AS Cahrshalton
5th	AS Cahrshalton 105	Holy Trinity 115	Hackbridge 102	Hackbridge 94	Cheam Common 87	AS Benhilton 102	Nonsuch Jr

A special well done to the following children:

Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Aaron M 1st	James Y 1st	Eva H 2nd
Libby S 7th	Lola C 9th	Maia M 4th
Oliver K 9th	Niamh C 10th	Erik K 8th
	George S 9th	

Eva, Maia & Erik will go on to represent Sutton in the London Youth Games on Saturday 17th November. Well Done!

Y6 Girls Football

Our team of 9 pupils from SPJS started the season playing against Cheam Fields on 12th October. The team played extremely well, passing accurately between themselves. Cheam Fields fought well but our girls team was so strong that they couldn't stop the goals flying past them. The overall result was 10-0 Well done to Eva H who scored 5 goals,

and to Lotty DeS who scored 2, and Libby S, Ameera G and Lola C who scored 1 each.

We then went on to play Barrow Hedges. They are a very experienced team with several players who play for the borough. The girls battled hard, but we unfortunately lost.

Netball

On 16th October came our first, eagerly awaited netball match. We were all very excited but also nervous, having had only 4 club training sessions and so all being very new to the game. This resulted in a slightly wobbly start and our opponents, Hackbridge, scoring an early goal. We soon equalised, only for Hackbridge to score again! 2 - 2. By this time, however, we had found our feet and then there was no stopping us. We went on to win 7 - 2. Buoyed up by watching such a good game, the 'B' team took their positions and showed dominance over their opposition, winning 3 - 0. Well done to everyone involved.

Our second match was against Wallington Primary Academy and although we had control of the ball for the majority of the time, we didn't seem to be able to score. Once the first goal was eventually scored, however, we were off and were able to secure a 7 - 3 win. The 'B' team were up next and they had a particularly tough job because our opponents were short of players, 5 of their 'B' team of 7 having just played for their 'A' team. Our girls worked very hard in defence but the final score was 0 - 3.

What a great start to our autumn league season!

COGNUS LTD: FREE PARENT TRAINING

These are Informative sessions where parents can also ask the therapist questions about their own child's development.

7/11/18 3.45 - 4.45: Basic Speech and Language identification

7/03/19 3.45 - 4.45: Strategies for Dyslexia

26/06/18 4.00 - 5.00: Occupational Therapy and Sensory Awareness

Location: GF - Creative room, 24 Denmark Road, Carshalton, SM5 2JG. There is no sign up or registration; simply turn up on the day.

For parents unable to attend there will also be 2 hour parent phone-in surgeries for speech and language enquiries on 0208 770 4754 at the following times: 27/11/18 1-3pm, 26/02/19 1-3pm, 25/06/19 1-3pm.

ASTHMA PUMPS

With colder weather due please can parents make sure their child's asthma pumps are in date in school. It would be good if you could ensure that your child is using their inhaler properly.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: WEDS 12TH DECEMBER

Christmas is fast approaching! Please look out for the menu which will be send out shortly, together with information on how to book your child's Christmas Dinner.



CLUBS

As you are aware, our club timetable is reviewed termly, so from January there will be a brand new timetable and application process. We anticipate having this ready by Friday 16th November and will ask for applications to be returned by Friday November 30th. Please look out for the information which will be sent out on ParentPay, and will be posted on our website. We regularly have applications sent in late, but regret that we will be unable to accept any forms which are received after the closing date; Please keep a look out for the information to make sure you send in your forms on time.

DIARY DATES

Wed 7 Nov	Parents Evening 2.00 - 8.00pm School closing at 1.20pm
Fri 9 Nov	Project Guidance Sent Out
Fri 9 Nov	Yr5 Viking Day/ Workshop
w/c 12 Nov	Anti Bullying Week - Whole School Focus - 'Choose respect'
w/c 12 Nov	Primary Maths Challenge
Tue 13 Nov	Open Morning for Y2 parents 9-10.30 am
Fri 16 Nov	Children in Need - Dress up in Spotty Clothes
w/c 19th Nov	Road Safety Week - focus in lessons this week Bicycle safety
Weds 21 st Nov	6S Honeywood Lodge
Thurs 22 nd Nov	6P Honeywood Lodge
Fri 23 rd Nov	6J Honeywood Lodge
Fri 23 Nov	Immunisation for Y3, 4, 5 pm only
Mon 26 Nov	Y4 Last swimming lesson
Wed 5 Dec	Choir singing at St Patrick's Church. Refreshments 5pm. Service 6.00-7.00pm
Thurs 6 Dec	Y3 Museum of London
Fri 7 Dec	Yulefest - Choir Singing 6.15-6.30pm
Weds 12 Dec	Children's Christmas Dinner
Thurs 13 Dec	PTA Disco
Mon 17 Dec	Mufti Day in exchange for 2 presents for the Secret Presents Room
Tues 18 Dec	Nativity to Parents
Tues 18 Dec	Secret Presents Day
Wed 19 Dec	Christmas Celebration Rehearsal - Trinity Church, Sutton am Christmas Celebration - Trinity Church, Sutton 6.00-8:00 pm
Tues 18 Dec	Secret Presents Day tbc
Thurs 20	Christmas Parties pm - Christmas Jumper Day - Normal School trousers/ skirt etc.
Fri 21 Dec	End of Term 1:45 pm