



WELCOME

Welcome back to school for the 2019-20 academic year. We are pleased to welcome all our new families to the SPJS school community. Over the summer holidays, SPJS was a hive of activity as the builders were busy trying to get our new reception area ready for September. We have also had two classrooms re-decorated/carpeted, 6S and 4J. From talking to the children over the last few weeks it certainly seems that our families have been equally busy, enjoying quality family time, visiting exciting places and recharging batteries! The staff and I have enjoyed catching up on all of their news and as always it has been lovely to welcome everyone back.

The classrooms have been buzzing with year groups starting new topics and completing team building activities and I must say that I have been incredibly impressed with our new Year 3 cohort who have almost seamlessly transitioned into life at Stanley Park Junior School!

ACTIVE LEARNING AT SPJS

It has been fantastic to see lots of active learning going on at SPJS.



Year 4 have been busy making models of teeth out of plasticine in science.

Amelia and Dominic were proud to show what they had been learning in class. "We made a mouth model out of plasticine to help with our learning and to help identify all the different teeth: molars, canines, premolars

and incisors. We also found out what they are for. Molars are for crushing and chewing, canines are for locking onto food and incisors are for breaking down food."



Year 3 have started their visits to our school allotment and have been harvesting some beetroot and rhubarb. I don't think we have ever seen such a large beetroot!



Year 3 have also been learning about seed dispersal in science and have spent some time looking in our green zone for different examples of how and where seeds are dispersed. The children love being outside whilst learning.



LUNCHTIMES

Year 3 have settled into the Junior routine of lunches. All children can choose where they sit in the dining room whether they have packed lunches or school dinners. Greenshaw provide hot school dinners for us with a range of meat, vegetarian or jacket potato to choose from. There is also a salad bar which children can help themselves to. We always encourage the children to make good healthy food choices.



SCHOOL GAMES MARK: GOLD AWARD



For the third consecutive year we have achieved the Gold Sports Mark at SPJS. This demonstrates the value we put on sport across the school. Miss Powell our PE Lead, has also been awarded with the Sutton Sports Leader of the Year 2018-19 Award. We are incredibly proud that Miss Powell has achieved this award as it recognises all her hard work towards leading PE at SPJS. We are very grateful to all our staff who arrange extra-curricular activities for our pupils.

Our school has also won the Sutton Schools Sport Partnership for the School Games Mark Value 'PASSION'. Well done to all our children.



YEAR 3 PIRATE DAY Ahoy There!

Year 3 celebrated Talk Like a Pirate Day on Friday 20th September. They dressed and acted like pirates all day with lots of pirate talk and orders from their captains! Once cutlasses and telescopes had been put aside, the children completed their must-have pirate passport on arrival to the classroom. This then allowed them the rights to take part in a treasure hunt around the playground. The winning team were the first to find all of the 'gold'! The rest of the day was spent describing their pirate characteristics and drawing a ship in a bottle before the fearless crew set sail for home.

SCHOOL MUSIC MARK



SCHOOL
MEMBER

We are very proud to announce that we have been nominated to receive the Music

Mark Award by our local Music Hub. They have recognised the value that we place on music and requested that we become a Music Mark School Member. I would like to thank our Music Leader, Mrs Reeves, together with all staff, for all the hard work they do to ensure that pupils at Stanley Park Junior School are able to access and engage with a high-quality music education. Our dedication to offering and delivering a broad and balanced curriculum is duly recognised and celebrated.

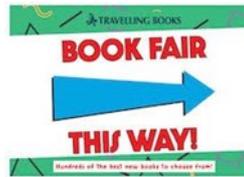
SING FOR PEACE

Thank you for joining us last Monday after school when we took part in the International Day of Peace. This choral project aims to unite people all around the world by singing together on this day. Luckily for us, the weather held out and the children were really excited to perform to an appreciative audience. We hope you enjoyed it.

MEET THE TEACHERS

It was fantastic to see so many parents coming to the Meet the Teachers Evenings earlier in the month. We hope that you found them useful and helpful in supporting your child with their learning at home. If you missed the evening, feel free to look at the presentations from the evening which can be found on our website under the curriculum tab, then under the year group page.

BOOK FAIR



Thank you for coming along to our Book Fair earlier this month. We hope you were able to make

some good purchases. Every book which you buy provides commission which then enables us to choose new books for our libraries. We raised £527.26 which allowed us to spend £256.36 on books. Thank you for your support!

FAMILY SPORTS EVENING

We were very pleased that the weather held out for our Family Sports Evening on 26th September. Over 60 people attended and enjoyed a range of sports from archery to table tennis. Thank you to all families who came to the event. One commented, "Can't you do this each week? We had great fun."

It was really great to see parents and children having so much fun together.





HARVEST FESTIVAL

Tuesday 15th October

We will be celebrating harvest festival at school on Tuesday 15th October, and will once again be collecting donations for the Manna Society. The Manna Society was founded in 1982 and they provide much needed support for around 120-150 homeless people every day in the heart of London. Please send in any donations of non-perishable items with your child on Friday 11th October, Monday 14th or Tuesday 15th October. Donations should be taken to the Main Hall.

The Manna Society would very much appreciate donations of toiletries or tinned goods. Please see below for a full list of the items they can accept. If anyone is able to help set up the display at 8.45am on Tuesday morning, then please leave a message in the office for Mrs Pullen.

MANNA DAY CENTRE

Harvest Festival list

Needs in order of priority

FOOD

Sugar
Powdered Milk
Tomatoes (Tinned)
Vegetables (Tinned)
Pasta Sauces

Tinned Food

Meat
Fish
Baked Beans
Spaghetti
Soup
Hot Dogs
Fruit
Rice pudding
Custard
Corned beef
Chopped ham
Luncheon meats
Stewed steak

Non-Tinned Food

Rice
Curry Sauces
Breakfast cereals
Porridge oats
Pasta & Spaghetti
Tomato sauce
Jelly
Cooking oil
Biscuits

DRINKS

Coffee
Tea
Dilutable drinks



Manna Day Centre
6 Mellor Street
London
SE1 3QP
Tel: 020 7357 9363

Offering help to 150-200 homeless & needy people everyday (7 days a week). Including a breakfast & lunch everyday. If possible, please deliver your Harvest gifts. If this is not possible, please ring 020 7357 9363 to arrange a collection.

CLOTHING

(Men & Women's)

Trainers
Jeans
Underwear
Socks

TOILETRIES

Deodorants
Shaving Foam
Disposable razors
Shampoo
Hand soap
Toilet rolls

BEDDING

Blankets
Sleeping bags

Please display this poster, where appropriate, to remind people of our Harvest needs. Many thanks.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

On Friday 13th September, each class voted to elect their school council representatives for the forthcoming year. Mrs Burridge went round with the ballot box to collect all the voting slips and then the counting began. It was a very close ballot, but we are pleased to announce that the following candidates have been successful and are very keen to start work!

3S Jack and Susannah
3P Jenson and Sophia
3J Alex and Lyla-Rose
4S Dominic and Amelia
4P Jacob and Zara
4J Stanley and Safiya
5S Jacob and Maya
5P Elliott and Florence
5J Jack and Demi
6S Oscar and Marina
6P James and Minseo
6J Ben and Livvy

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you for your donations for our MacMillan Coffee Morning, and thank you for coming along. We will let you know how much money we raised for this very worthy cause just as soon as it has been counted.



MESSAGES

Please note that if you would like to pass on any messages to your child's Class Teacher, this can be done so via your child's Home-School Book.

If you would like to let them know about someone different collecting your child after school, this can also be done via their Home-School Book. If last minute changes result in you being unable to write a note, then please contact the school office at your earliest opportunity. We get a large number of messages to pass on to children on a daily basis, and it is not always easy to do this at the end of the school day. Thank you for your understanding.

VALUE OF THE MONTH

This month we have been looking at the value 'Trust'. We hope that children have been sharing what they have learnt about this value in school with you at home.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

We have two vacancies for Parent Governors. If you are interested in applying please look out for our application pack which will be available to view on our website on Friday 4th October. Nominations will be due in by 12 noon on Friday 18th October.

PREPARATION FOR BREXIT

Parents or carers of pupils who are EU, EEA or Swiss citizens will need to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme to continue living in the UK after 2020.

If this affects you, full information on what you need to do can be found on the following page:

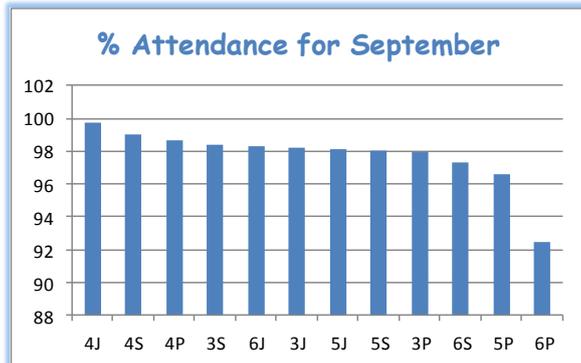
<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families>

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Don't forget to return your order forms to school no later than **Friday 4th October**. If you miss this deadline, photos can be ordered online.

ATTENDANCE

Well done to 3S, 3P, 3J 4S, 4P, 4J, 5S, 5J, and 6J who are all above our 97.5% attendance target.



We are pleased that 99.6% of pupils are arriving on time, which is an improvement on last year—well done and thank you!

SCHOOL DINNERS

If your child would like to swap between school dinners and packed lunches next half term, then please let us know by **Friday 11th October**.

WE ARE A NUT-FREE SCHOOL



We have a number of children with nut allergies in school. We kindly ask parents to ensure that no items or ingredients put in their children's lunch boxes contain nuts. (This includes Nutella as it contains hazelnut.) Thank you for your support with this.

PLAY EQUIPMENT

Please can parents ensure that children do not play on the apparatus before and after school. Thank you.