

# THE STANHOPE SCOOP

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# **CHRISTMAS IS COMING...**

## A message from Mrs Thompson

Our Christmas Productions are fast approaching and therefore so are our Christmas Cafes.

Before and after each performance on the 11th, 12th and 13th December 2019, the cafes will be open for business. Morning cafes open at 8.55am until the nativities start at 9.30am. Afternoon cafes open at 1.15pm until the nativities start at 1.45pm. Please note the cafes will also be available for a short time after each performance too.

Refreshments available include: bacon butties, veggie butties, hot chocolate with marshmallows and cream, juice, homemade cakes, cheese scones, homemade biscuits, crisps and homemade sweets.

As well as the refreshments there is so much else going on. The Christmas Raffle prizes so far include:

- A Barbour Jacket
- £50 Metro Centre Voucher
- 2 x Customs House Tickets
- Mister Twisters Voucher
- Namaste Restaurant Voucher
- Mamma Mia Restaurant Voucher
- NAMCO Family Ticket
- Jumbo Jim's Soft Play Voucher
- Diamond Hair Cut & Blow dry

An amazing mountain bike worth over £300 will also be up for grabs in a blind card game—£2 per square. In addition, our popular tombola will also be available. Any donations of sweets, chocolate, gifts etc. will be greatly appreciated by Mrs Thompson or the Office staff.

"We do hope everyone will support our event, which goes from strength to strength every year."

# MAKING £5 GROW...

A variety of classes within school are currently participating in the Virgin Money scheme 'Make £5 Grow' Those participating children will be selling a range of gifts, which can be purchased during the Christmas Cafes at very reasonable prices.

#### Gifts include:

- Tie Dye shopper bags
- Christmas mugs
- Chocolate and sweet treats
- Bracelets
- Wish jars
- Mindfulness presents
- Sweet cones
- Reindeer dust

Plus many, many more.

# WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM...

On Monday 11th November, Year 2 attended the Armistice Day service in the West Park.

After leaving school at 10.30am, the children walked to the park in time for the Remembrance service.

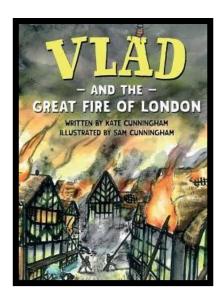
Members of the community as well as other primary schools gathered together to remember the brave soldiers who unfortunately lost their life during the war.

Two children from Year 2 laid a poppy wreath during the service to honour the soldiers.



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# **VLAD AND BOXTON'S GREAT FIRE DISASTER...**



This term, the children in Year Two have been reading Vlad and the Great Fire of London in their English lessons.

The story is based on Vlad the Flea and Boxton the Rat, who were living in a baker shop on Pudding Lane—where the fire began.

So far, the pupils have imagined what life would be like in London at that time and have shared how they would have felt stuck in the fire. In addition, the children have written diary entries as the character of Boxton, who was a rat living in London during the horrific fire.

#### Did you know?

The Great Fire started on 2nd September 1666 and burned for three days.

Only six people died during the fire. However, some people believe there were many more deaths, including the poorer people of London.

Written by Ruby.

## SUPER SCIENCE...

So far this term in Year Six, the children have learned about Light and micro-organisms.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed their Science lessons with Mrs Craig and they look forward to them every week. Here are a range of facts they have learned so far:

#### How does light help us see?

When rays of light travel from a light source, they hit objects

around us. These rays of light reflect and bounce off an object right into our eyes.

#### **Did you know?**

Your eyes see everything upside down but your brain flips them right side up so you can see them. Isn't that interesting?

Last week, Year 6 carried out a very exciting experiment about mould. The aim was to place pieces



of bread in different locations to investigate what would happen.

Written by Lacey, Emily, Kieran and Jade.

### ROTTEN ROMANS...

This term, the children in Year Three are learning all about The Romans in their History lessons.

So far, the pupils have created eyecatching mosaics using difference colours and patterns.

### Did you know?

The Romans were the enemies of many different countries because they always invaded them,

The Romans wore special armour,

which was gold and bronze.

During and interview Gracie stated, "I love the Romans. I can't wait to go to the Roman fort."

In December, the children will be visiting the local Roman fort. Find out about their trip during the December edition of The Stanhope Scoop.

Written by Gracie and Lily.



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## A BOY AND A BEAR IN A BOAT...

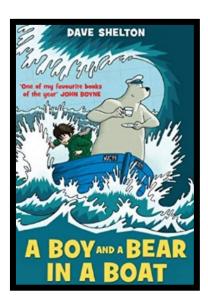
This term, the pupils in Year Five have been studying the novel 'A Boy and a Bear in a Boat' by Dave Shelton.

The children started reading the story over a month ago and have enjoyed it ever since.

Within their English lessons, each child has designed their own comic strips and written a letter. One fun and exciting lesson was when the children tasted different flavoured sandwiches.

In an interview, Mrs Boardman stated, "This book has been fantastic. The children were really engaged so they have loved reading every chapter."

Written by Faith and Tyla.



## **PLAYING A TUNE...**

Every Monday afternoon, Year Four enjoy their Recorder sessions with Mr Storey.

Since September, the children have learnt to play different notes and progressed to playing simple tunes.

So far, they can play Caterpillar Bye Boye, Hot Cross Buns, Horray and Indian Warrior.

One pupil commented, "I love

Music. Recorders is really fun. Mr Storey is very friendly and I can't believe what I can now play."

In their lessons, the children have also listened to music to identify the notes played.

Written by Vana and Riayana.



## CELEBRATING FRIENDSHIPS...

Last week, the whole school celebrated Friendship Week.

In Nursery and Reception, the young children made friendship bracelets, designed hearts to give to a family member and they all loved reading a book titled, "Kind"

Mrs Barker (Reception Teacher) stated, "Foundation Stage have worked extremely hard all week." Also, one pupil said, "Friendship Week is really fun." In Year One, the children read a lovely story based on friendship. The children made their own friendship bracelets and enjoyed their friendship themed Circle Time.

Over the week, everyone in school were given the chance to buy raffle tickets to win Friendship Fred and Bobby the Bear. Also during the week, the children were able to buy biscuits made by Mrs Curtin.

Written by Baljeet, Aaron and Lillie.



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# Welcome to the Stanhope Scoop!

The club consist of 23 members from Year 3 to Year 6, who all contribute to our new online newspaper. This club is fun and entertaining.

Kindly, Miss Haygarth runs the club to encourage the children to write creatively. Every Monday after school, the club takes place in the Year 2 classroom from 3.20pm until 4.20pm.

The children work in small groups to report on events that have happened during the month.

Miss Haygarth commented, "It is fantastic to see children enthusiastic about writing. I'm sure the newspaper will be a success!"

Written by Maisie and Kayne.

# A SUCCESSFUL SPORTING AFTERNOON...

On the 7th November, the Cross Country team set out to the County Finals. This event took place at Temple Park, John Reid Road, South Shields.

After eating a heart lunch, the small group travelled to the event on a mini bus. In total, 31 children represented Stanhope Primary School.

The children from Years three to six all attended the event. Children in Years 3 and 4 were required to complete a full lap where the children in Years 5 and 6 were required to complete two laps. All of the pupils were amazing.

At the event, over 600 pupils from across South Tyneside participated in the event.



Written by Abbie and Jaydan.