

## THE STANHOPE SCOOP

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# CELEBRATING COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD...

Since Monday 20th January, staff and pupils have been celebrating 'International Week' within school. All of the classes have enjoyed studying a different country around the world.

Year 6 - Australia

Year 5 - India

- Year 4 Madagascar
- Year 3 Japan
- Year 2 Italy
- Year 1 Canada
- **Foundation Stage Antarctica**

Mrs Curtin kindly created a special menu for the week, where the children enjoyed foods such as curry, pizza, pasta and chow mein. There was a different country themed menu everyday. On Friday 24th January, Stanhope celebrated Chinese New Year with a special assembly led by Mrs Martin. During the assembly, pupils from each year group shared facts they had learnt throughout the week about their country.

Ask your child to tell you all about the country they have been studying.





## **SUPER SCIENCE IN YEAR 5...**

This half term, the pupils in Year 5 are studying Space in their Science lessons. Within their weekly lessons, the children are leaning about Earth, the Moon, the Sun and other planets.

So far the children have learnt that the Moon, Sun and Earth are all spherical because astronauts as well as space organisations such as NASA have satellites to prove this.

"Earth and Space is such an interesting and exciting topic, which I have been looking forward to teaching this year. Hopefully, the children will have a better understanding of the earth and how it interacts with other elements in our solar system," quoted Mrs Boardman in an interview. Did you know that a NASA space costume costs a whopping £12 million. Wow! Isn't that a lot of money?

Written by Faith and Abbie.



## **BEATING THE WINTER BLUES...**



On Thursday 16th January 2020, we held a 'Beat the Winter Blues' day. All of the children were allowed to wear colourful clothing to school instead of their usual uniform.

Later that day, there was a Wellness Afternoon held in the school hall. Parents and Carers enjoyed hand massages, crafts as well as an afternoon tea. Miss Coils, who organised the Wellness Afternoon, said, "I really enjoy working with our children in supporting their wellbeing and it was just as enjoyable to invite our parents to the Wellbeing Afternoon. I would like to say thank you to all who came and I look forward to seeing even more of you at the next event."

Written by Emily.

## **STAYING SAFE ON THE ROADS...**

This month, Year 1 and 2 both participated in a Road Safety session ran by workers from South Tyneside Council.

The pupils enjoyed a 45 minute session, where they learnt all about the Green Cross Code and how to correctly cross the road using different crossings.

Miss Haygarth (Year 2 Teacher) commented, "This was a great session. The children were engaged and loved learning about road safety."



Written by Aaron.

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## YOU'VE GOT TO ATTEND TO ACHIEVE ...

This month is our annual Attend to Achieve month. All pupils who have 100% everyday in January will receive an exciting cinema reward.

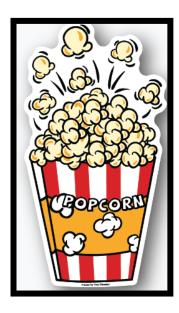
Mrs Thompson, who organises all of the attendance treats, commented, "I'm so excited that so many children will be part of the January attendance reward taking place on Tuesday 4th February 2020. We will be having a special cinema afternoon with the latest film and a treat bag. Everyone has made such a big effort to come into school this months even with aches and pains and feeling under the weather. Well Done! Of course, there are times when you will be too poorly to attend and don't worry about this because there are plenty more initiatives throughout the school year. The most important thing is to attend school as much as you can. You have to ATTEND to ACHIEVE!" Attendance rewards over the past few years have included bouncy castle sessions, a visit from Zoolab, cinema afternoons, magic shows, a visit to Vue Cinema (Gateshead) and a delicious meal at Burger King.

The children really appreciate the treats Mrs Thompson has organised over the years.

Thank You Mrs Thompson!

Written by Gracie and Lily.





## **BRILLIANT BASKETBALLERS...**

On Thursday 16th January, a group of Year 4 and 5 children attended a basketball tournament at Temple Park Leisure Centre.

Kindly, Mr Rogers and Mrs Thompson travelled with the team of 14 children to the centre. While there, the team played against 28 other schools. During the competition, the pupils were separated into Team A and Team B. Both teams played very well, especially Team A who won and will therefore play in the finals on Friday 7th February 2020.

Fingers crossed for the tournament in February. Let's hope Stanhope succeed!

Written by Given, Maisie, Tyla and Kayne.

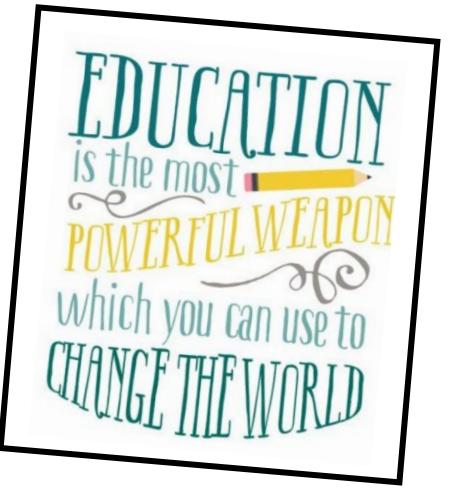


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## SAD NEWS...

This month, staff and pupils were devastated to hear the news that Mrs Prince had sadly passed away.

Due to this tragic event, Stanhope Primary School hosted a non-uniform day in memory of Mrs Prince and to raise money for Leukemia UK.

In total, the school raised £205 for the charity. Mrs Martin (our Head Teacher) quoted, "Mrs Prince had worked at Stanhope Primary for 20 years as one of our Supervisory Assistants and our Breakfast Club Worker. Her death was a shock to all pupils, staff and parents. Our thoughts are with her family at this very sad time."

Mrs Prince will be missed by all students, staff and parents.

Written by Kayne and Tyla.

