

CURRICULUM NEWS

July 2024

We would like to wish Miss. Petterson well as she begins her maternity leave!

We would also like to say thank you and good luck to Miss. Baxter who will be moving to another SLP school at the end of the academic year.

THIS TERM AT SSJS

Summer holidays are here. Another year has flown by! As always, it has been a busy end of term...

The Y6 pupils have received their SATs results, having worked extremely hard all year. All the other year groups completed their assessments, too, ready to be included in their end-of-year reports. We also had the various transition days, including our incoming Y2s!

Remember that there are different summer holiday activities available, including yoga, Creative Kitchen and SLP summer camp!

ENTERPRISE

Well done to the Y6s for their efforts with their enterprise stalls! In total, they raised almost £1000!

These funds are invaluable for subsidising the costs of the leavers' hoodies and residential each year, so thank you to everyone who donated, supported or came to check out the stalls!



The sweet taste of finishing your SATs!

REMINDERS

We ask that you listen to your child read at least three times per week. Please remind them to bring their reading books and reading records into school every day!

Further information about our school curriculum can be found on the school website.

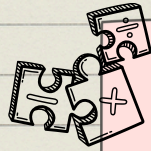
Our Facebook page also carries regular updates about your child's learning and school or community events.

Parent and carer PE afternoon!



Some of our current topics:

- La glace
- Pneumatic toys
- UK cities
- Hinduism
- Netball



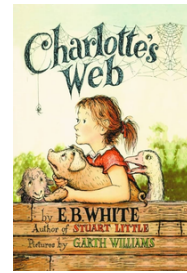
Maths:
Perimeter
and graphs

English:
Creative writing

"The trip to Beamish was my favourite part of Year 3!"

Miley

YEAR 3



What we're reading...



African drumming!



Skipathon!



Olympians of the future!

YEAR 4



What we're reading...

Some of our current topics:

- Rivers
- Word processing
- Motifs
- Batik
- Athletics



Maths:
Position &
Movement

English:
Creative writing

"I really enjoyed going to see Durham Cathedral after we had learned about it in school!"

Drew



Balsam bashing!



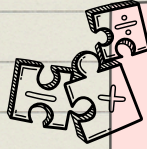
Brilliant Batik!



As tu un animal?

Some of our current topics:

- Drumming
- Biomes
- Life cycles
- Mental and physical health
- Judaism



Maths:
Roman Numerals

English:
Creative writing

"I loved Y5 maths. Maths is going to help me become a pilot!"
Joshua F.

YEAR 5



What we're reading...



Trying out cricket!



Awesome writing!



Investigating primary sources in history!

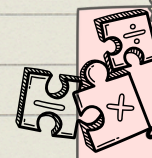
YEAR 6



What we're reading...

Some of our current topics:

- Light Cricket
- Business enterprise
- Playground structures
- Leavers assembly



Maths:
Revision and review

English:
Done and dusted!

"The highlight of Year 6 was definitely the residential!"
Ava



Conducting fieldwork in our local area!



Snazzy leavers' hoodies!



Bullseye!

WHOLE-SCHOOL INITIATIVES

Here are some of the things we're working on!

TRANSITION WEEK

Transition usually takes place in the first week of July each year - children in Y3-5 move up to their new classes for these days, while our current Y6s attend their new secondary schools.

We also welcome the current Y2 pupils from SSIN for a few days in their new classes for September!

We hope the children enjoyed these taster sessions and are looking forward to their new classes and year groups for 2024/25!

Our new classes for 2024/5:

3P (Mr. Patterson)
3S (Mrs. Smith)
4T (Mrs. Thomas)
4M (Miss. McLauchlan)
5W (Miss. Wilkinson)
5G (Mr. Garbutt)
6D (Miss. Davison)
6T (Mr. Turnbull)



Y6 RESIDENTIAL

We had another hugely successful visit to Newby Wiske, with fantastic weather complementing the amazing activities on offer!

Y6 pupils tackled the climbing wall, abseiling and zip wire, as well as archery, fencing and disc golf. Laser tag in the woods was also a firm favourite!

Well done to all of the pupils who represented the school excellently over the three days.

OFSTED

All parents/carers should have received a copy of our recent inspection report via email. This can also be accessed via the school website (or OFSTED's own website).

We are thrilled to have been graded 'good' in all areas, with the inspection team being particularly impressed by the children's behaviour in lessons and their pride in our school. They also complimented the school's high expectations for pupils and the aspiration for all children to achieve well.

Inspection of South Stanley Junior School



Overall effectiveness

Good

The quality of education

Good

Behaviour and attitudes

Good

Personal development

Good

Leadership and management

Good