

# Friday Flyer

Stannard  
school

Date: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Edition 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Every fortnight, we will be sending home a 'Friday Flyer'. This is an opportunity for us to communicate and share all of the wonderful things that have happened and are upcoming.

What a fantastic half-term we have had. This has included a visit from Kicha Mitchell, Polaris schools' managing director, a visit from Central Bedfordshire and Luton local authorities as well as many tours for parents of prospective pupils.

What an opportunity it has been to showcase your children's incredible progress and learning to different people. We have only been open, as a school, for three months and they have achieved so much.

Sometimes just walking through the door is a massive step forward and we recognise how much it is taking for them to trust us enough to start their learning journey. It has been a wonderful half term for so many of our children – well done and thank you all for your incredible support and emails of kindness. It has meant a lot.

## Snowdrop class

What a wonderful final week we have had! I am so proud of the Snowdrops for their brilliant work ethic, motivation to round up the term, and commitment to earning time in Forest School, looking at the centipedes and planting new trees. I, and the wonderful support staff we have in the room, could not be happier with the continued progress being made by learners, and we hope this continues into next term. We are looking forward to our new units next term. For example, in DT we have improved our cutting skills and in Maths we have improved our number work, using number lines. Ms. Safia.



*Forest School at Stannard*



### **Bluebell Class**

We have had a great end to this half term! We have done some brilliant learning and fun activities to support our learning. We found out how the Inuit people live, worked hard on our Athletics skills in PE and made progress with our reading. To celebrate each day, we have golden time and a daily thought for the day. Overall, a brilliant half term and we hope you have a much-deserved rest and recuperation- see you in a week! Mrs. Hussain



*Bluebell class planting seeds in the sensory garden and building Inuit homes*

### **Feature: New Learning Spaces at Stannard School**

Here at Stannard School, new learning spaces are appearing to support our young people. As well as well equipped classrooms, we also have:

- Outdoor playgrounds
- Astroturf area
- Sensory garden and Forest School
- Indoor Sensory circuits
- Mindfulness zone
- Sensory room
- Library

Watch this space as we continue to grow!



*Mindfulness zone at Stannard*

### **Final Thought**

We are only in May and yet 2024 has already given us so much; children's mental health week, internet safety assembly and introduction to Forest School. In school, we have gained new children, new staff and our community is growing.

*Sorry to see you go...*

*We are sorry to see Mrs. Christofi leaving us after a term.*

Whilst only in the role for a short while, Mrs. Christofi has created some memorable learning experiences for Bluebells. We wish her every success in the future.

As our school grows, it is about finding the right adults who can make connections with others and are ready to be part of our exciting journey. I hope you have a great half term and I look forward to seeing you and your children soon, as the days remain long and we enter the final half term of the year.

Have a good half term.

*Michael Davis*

*Headteacher*

# Term Dates



## 2024

### Spring Term 2024

**First day of term:** Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

**Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

**Last day of term:** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

### Summer Term 2024

**First day of term:** Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April

**Bank holiday:** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

**Last day of term:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July