



Summer 1 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers.

We said a very emotional goodbye to Warren on Monday 17th April as many of us attended his funeral. It was a real celebration of his life followed by a party at the Stamshaw Community Centre. We miss you Warren.

The Dowling family have since been in school working on our school pond as a memory to Warren. He would have loved this! I can't believe the transformation already and the family have been in almost everyday over the past few weeks digging out the pond. A really BIG thankyou to you all. We can't wait to see what it is going to look like.

We will be raising money in the next few weeks to have a lovely oak bench put in the pond the area. We want to call it 'Wozza's Bench'. Look out for the letter.



Writing Competition: Year 5 took part in a [writing competition](#) to create a 100 word mini saga within the theme of 'A Wander In the Woods' The Top 10 finalists shared their stories in front of two judges at North End Library who chose their top 3 winners. First place was Warren!

SATS: Year 6 have worked extremely hard this term in preparation for the SATs tests. They have worked amazingly well, independently and collaboratively to achieve their goals of being secondary school ready. They are very proud to have used their resilience skills in particular. They really appreciated the breakfast club that was offered in the mornings before the tests. Results will be due out on at the start of July which will be shared with parents in their school reports.

INSET DAYS: We have ONE Inset Day left planned for **MONDAY 26TH JUNE**.

SCITT: SCITT, our on site teacher training centre, have really settled well on our site and it feels as if they have always been here. Currently all the trainees are now on their summer placements so the training room seems very quiet. Take a look at our dedicated [SCITT page](#) on our website.



Social Media Age Restrictions

SOCIAL MEDIA: We have had some social media challenges where a small group of children are making fake accounts and then not being very nice to other children. This is very serious. We have been working closely with parents and our PCSOs who have been in and run an assembly on using social media appropriately. They have also been in and spoken to individuals about appropriate use. This is a difficult challenge and I ask you please monitor what your child does on social media. I am pleased to say that this is a very small minority of children as most children do not have a social media pages as they are too advice and questions.

BUDDY: Buddy continues to come into school two days a week and is so popular. He is amazing with the children and has such patience. He has a sense knowing when someone is upset and will automatically go and give that child a fuss. Those tears quickly turn to smiles



AFTER SCHOOL CARE: We are still working in partnership with our infant school to provide after school childcare at the infant school. Please contact the infant school office for further information.

PREFECTS: Our prefects do a great job around the school and really do exemplify our school values. They recently had a prefect's breakfast which Miss Bushell organised.



VOLCANOS: Year 3 also had an explosive time showing off their volcano DT projects and being visited by Dr Geary from UTC! The children designed and made their own volcano models complete with museum style information plates and then erupted their creations by making a chemical reaction with baking powder and vinegar. Some of the volcanoes that were done as homework were incredible!

YOUNG AUTHORS: We have 2 more aspiring Authors adding their work to the Stamshaw junior School Library for other pupils to read. Joseph originally made Political Graffiti as part of his homework project. It is the first Non-Fiction work to be placed on the Junior Authors shelves of the school library! Frankey has created his first short story called Ash Boy. Good stuff boys.



PATCH: PATCH, our joint PTA continue to raise much needed funds for the schools as well as bringing the community together. In their first year running, they have raised an incredible amount of money for the schools, they achieved their first goal contributing towards a defibrillator for the juniors. They have supplied fun in the way of go karts, essential underwear and a sound system for the infants.

They've helped with celebrations for the Coronation across both schools and supplied a book mark for every child and sports day medals for the juniors. They are funding year 6's inflatable fun day and have contributed £1750 towards the infants new hall projector!

They have held plenty of events to create memories and fun for the children from their very first event of the jubilee cake sale, summer discos, a very successful summer fete, Halloween discos, Elfridges, Christmas fayre, valentines' balls, superwoman gift shops, clothing collections, patch treats and donut days, launched our their own lottery, to our very first carboot sale and becoming a registered charity.

I can't thank PATCH enough for what they have done for our school and our community. You can follow them on [Facebook](#).



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Finally, we said farewell to Miss Thomas, one of our lunchtime supervisors who after 11 years has moved on to new and exciting things. We thank Miss Thomas who started here as a teenager and we wish her all the best!

We also want to say goodbye to Mrs Doling Hernandez Sanchez, one of our cover staff. She is off to teach Spanish at a Portsmouth school and she too has been with us for many years. Her brilliant sense of humour and infectious laugh will be missed. Her last day will be Friday 8th June. Buena suerte.

Take care.

Rob Jones
Headteacher