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### **Message from Mrs Fielding**



It is 954 years to the day since the Battle of Stamford Bridge took place. As I write this today, I was considering the huge historical significance of this event and how it shaped British History from that point forwards. I was very impressed to read the wonderful writing the children have produced and to see them engaged in learning about those events which happened in our wonderful village. Whilst we have a very different battle to fight in this modern world, I am always heartened to see the children working so hard and living our values every day. Care, imagine, believe, strive and you will achieve!

### **The Battle of Stamford Bridge – A year that changed British History**

**Visit the Battle of Stamford Bridge society website for more information.**

<http://stamfordbridge.x10host.com/page9.html>

We all know about the Battle of Hastings (October 14th) and the events that took place there, but less people know about the momentous battle that took place here in Stamford Bridge on September 25th 1066. We must not forget the battle of Fulford (20th September) in which the Viking army defeated the Northern Army at York - another major battle in this year. In 1066, the English King Harold Godwinson fought and defeated a huge Viking army here at Stamford Bridge. Although history recalls how Harold lost at Hastings nineteen days later; the significance and scale of this battle should not be underestimated, nor the efforts made by King Harold to bring an army here from London (marching 180 miles in five days). All this without proper roads or transport – unbelievable even by today's standards! The Vikings had arrived in 300 ships which had sailed up the Humber and landed at Riccall. They then marched to York and defeated the English at the battle of Fulford. Five days later they were caught by surprise at Stamford Bridge when Harold Godwinson arrived unexpectedly. The Battle itself was a ferocious encounter that lasted several hours. The English may have had up to 8-10,000 men against around 7,000 invaders. Viking King Harald Sigurdsson (Hardrada) and Tostig (Godwinson's brother) were both killed. It was a significant victory for the English under Godwinson, but his victory was shortlived. He had to march south soon after to meet the Normans at Hastings. We all know what happened next... The after-effects of Fulford and Stamford Bridge became apparent for the English and the legacy of the events in Yorkshire in 1066 should never be forgotten.



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### **Enrichment**

Our enrichment programme got underway this week and has been a success. Thank you to children, parents and staff for making this possible. I hope you all had a great time!

For information and to book a place, please contact school on [stamfordbridge.primary@eastriding.gov.uk](mailto:stamfordbridge.primary@eastriding.gov.uk).

**OR**

To book a place or contact York City Football Club Foundation directly for football sessions:

**Y3/4** <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yorkcity/year-3-4-stamford-bridge-primary-school.html>

**Y5/6** <https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/yorkcity/year-5-6-stamford-bridge-primary-school.html>



**Samba  
Drumming  
Thursdays  
3-4pm**



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**Enrichment continued**



**Board Games  
Wednesdays  
3-4pm**



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### **Tuition sessions**

This week teachers have had the opportunity to spend extra time with small groups of children focusing on specific areas of learning. This is a great opportunity for teachers to support children and develop learning in a tailored way. At half term, this will be reviewed and different groups of children will be invited.

### **Music Tuition**

We are delighted to be able to offer music tuition once again in school. This will be available for children in Key Stage 2 (years 3-6). Tuition is available for the following instruments: Piano, brass, guitar, percussion, strings and flute. Please contact school if you would like any further information.

### **Free School Meals**

If you are in receipt of any of the following, school may be eligible for extra funding to support your child's learning, as well as to provide free school meals and additional extras such as enrichment sessions and school trips. Please apply at <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> if you receive: Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, the guaranteed element of Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190), Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit, Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

### **Uniform**

Thank you to parents for ensuring that pupils are wearing their uniform. As a reminder, if children have PE/Enrichment (football), they should come to school in PE kit with their school jumper or cardigan. Children who attend football enrichment club can bring **football boots, socks and shin pads**.

As per government guidance we aim to provide as much outdoor play and fresh air as possible. With autumn now well and truly upon us please ensure that your child has a warm (labelled), water proof coat with them every day as the weather is unpredictable. In addition, we ask that your child leave a pair of wellies in a carrier bag at school. Many thanks



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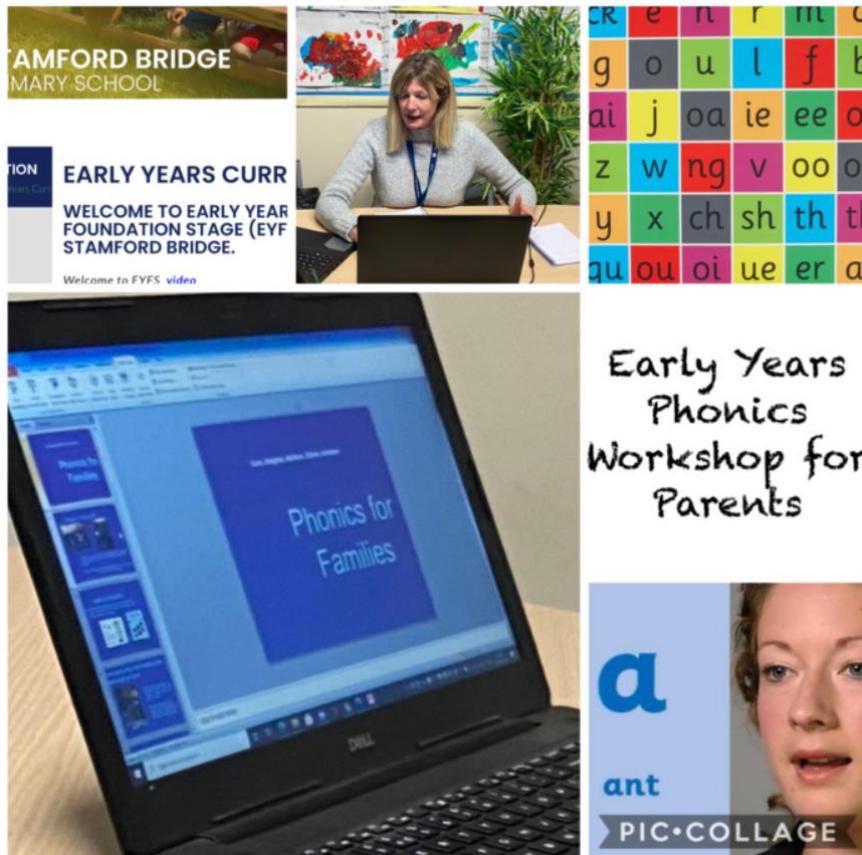
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### Early phonics virtual meeting

Thank you to all the parents of reception children who were able to join Mrs Garcia for her virtual presentation on early phonics teaching. This was a very informative meeting and is great to have such a strong partnership between home and school for a child's first steps in learning. The presentation can be found on the [Early Years Page](#) of the school website.

Next week, Mrs Garcia will be delivering a virtual presentation on early maths. Invitations to follow.



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### **Attendance**

This weeks' school attendance is 96.37% (97.37% Year to Date). Current government guidance is that school is mandatory, therefore the same rules and expectations apply. Thank you to parents and carers for ensuring that their child arrives on time and attends school regularly. Good attendance will help us support your child's well-being and make up for any lost learning last term.

### **WLP Pupil Code of Conduct**

Thank you to those parents who have already returned the reply slips. We are happy to accept an [email](#) or printed return slip – whichever is most convenient. Many thanks for your continued support!

### **Foodbank collection message from Mrs MacFarlane**

#### **A message from your local churches.**

Soon after lockdown started in March our churches decided to widen our foodbank collection to help more families in need. We introduced several new Foodbank collection points around the village and as a result our local community have donated over 700 bags to a local Foodbank. We think that is a wonderful and generous reponse from our villages.

This year as our Harvest offering we are collecting items for Ryedale Foodbank. If you would like to donate any tinned or packaged food such as baked beans, tinned fruit, pasta etc (no fresh produce please!) you can leave them in the Foodbank collection boxes in either the church porch or outside 33 Roman Avenue South or 29 Huntsman Lane. Many thanks for your generosity to help families in need this Harvest time.

For information on church services and news see our website where you can access our weekly newsletters <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/18986/>

### **Joining PACT**

Parents And Carers Together (PACT) work hard to support the school with fundraising. Without their fantastic work, we would not have been able to make purchases such as the television screens, the stage, vital maths and EYFS resources and lockers for Key Stage 1. Thank you! If you would like to join PACT, please contact Rachel Saunders at [myrtlemoo1310@googlemail.com](mailto:myrtlemoo1310@googlemail.com)



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Please see this useful NHS document for guidance on Coronavirus Symptoms:

## Recognising Coronavirus (COVID-19) Symptoms

Greater Manchester  
Mental Health  
NHS Foundation Trust

Symptoms	Coronavirus Symptoms range from mild to severe	Cold Gradual onset of symptoms	Flu Rapid onset of symptoms
Fever (37.8°C or above)	Common	Rare	Common
Fatigue	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common
Cough	Common (usually dry)	Mild	Common (usually dry)
Sneezing	No	Common	No
Aches and pains	Sometimes	Common	Common
Runny or stuffy nose	Rare	Common	Sometimes
Sore throat	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Diarrhea	Rare	No	Sometimes (for children)
Headaches	Sometimes	Rare	Common
Shortness of breath	Sometimes	No	No



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## **Term Dates 2020 -2021**

### **AUTUMN TERM 2020**

Commences: Wednesday 9th September  
Ends: Friday 18th December  
Half Term: Monday 26th October- Friday 30th October (school closed to pupils)

### **SPRING TERM 2021**

Commences: Tuesday 5th January  
Ends: Friday 26th March  
Half term: Friday 12th- Friday 19th February inclusive (school closed to pupils)

### **SUMMER TERM 2021**

Commences: Tuesday 13th April  
Ends: Friday 23rd July  
May Day: Monday 3rd May (school closed to pupils)  
Half term: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June inclusive (school closed to pupils)

### **Staff Training Days:**

**Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th September 2020**

**Monday 4th January 2021**

**Friday 12th February 2021**

**Monday 12th April 2021**

**Monday 26th July 2021**



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### **This week in school**

It has been battle week at school and the infants have been learning about this important event in history. Lots of writing and art activities taking place! There's been busy mathematicians in Mrs Bowes class who have done some super number ordering; Mrs McNeil's class have been building numbers with place value charts and EYFS have been making patterns developing their early maths skills – well done everyone! Miss Clark's class have been making water filters and separating materials, whilst Miss Greening's class have made been learning about recycling with their new recycling bin 'Recycling Rosie'! Mr Cooper's class made the most of the warmer weather with a 'boat race' in PE. A great week!



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