



NEWSLETTER

30TH JANUARY 2026



January has felt like it would never end but we are starting to see glimmers of spring, including lighter evenings and the odd snowdrop poking through. It has been a busy couple of weeks in school including trips, participation in the RSPB bird survey and participating in a wealth of learning activities in classes.

OTTERS TRAVEL BACK TO VICTORIAN CLASSROOM

What a fantastic trip to Reading Museum. Otter Class were a complete joy to take on this trip and through an immersive Victorian school experience and an opportunity to explore life as a Victorian working child, they were able to develop their knowledge of this interesting historical period.

As a school, we know how important learning beyond the classroom is and appreciate the financial support from FOSPS to enable our children to have such great experiences.



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2026

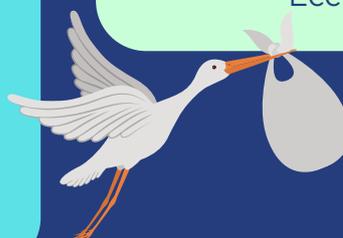
- Parent Workshop - Reading 11.2.26 (7.00pm)
- FoSP Preloved Uniform Sale 12.02.26 (08.30/3.15pm)
- Valentine's School Disco 12.02.26 (5.30-7.00pm)
- None School Uniform 13.02.25 (Details TBC)
- Last day of term 13.02.25 (3.15pm finish)
- Half Term 16.02.26 - 20.02.26
- Term 4 Starts 23.02.26

March 2026

- World Book Day 05.03.26
- Ladybird Class Eye Screening Testing 10.03.26
- Parent Consultations - 24.03.26
- Parent Consultations - 25.03.26
- Easter Rock Steady Concert - 26.03.26 (09.15am)
- Parent Consultations - 26.03.26
- Last Day of Term - 27.03.26 (1pm Finish)

BABY, BABY, BABY, OH!

We are delighted to share that Mrs. Ecclefield is expecting her second child, due in July 2026. This is an exciting time for her and her family, and we extend our heartfelt congratulations as they prepare to welcome baby Ecclefield.



MICROSCOPES

We have been very fortunate to have been lent a set of 8 microscopes from the Royal Microscopical Society, thanks to Emma Schierbaum's links with the organisation. The children in Hedgehogs and Otters have been exploring a variety of samples this week with Ladybirds and Dragonflies having an opportunity to use them in the coming weeks. Thank you to Emma for arranging this for us... the children have been amazed by what they have seen.



DRAGONFLIES

Dragonflies have been busy making clay art this week



BIG SCHOOLS' BIRDWATCH

This January and February, our school will be taking part in the RSPB Big Schools' Birdwatch. Each class will take turns to observe the birds in our school grounds for one hour, recording the different species they see and collecting important data. This exciting activity will help pupils learn more about local wildlife, develop observation skills, and contribute to a national conservation project. We're looking forward to discovering which birds share our school environment!



CAREERS WEEK

Thank you to all parents who have responded to our call for volunteers. The information has been really useful and we can now begin planning the details of the week. Based on the offers from parents, this is sure to be an exciting and inspirational week for the children. Watch this space for further details.



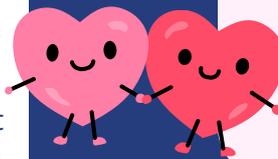
READING WORKSHOP

As previously mentioned, we would like to invite parents to our Reading Workshop on Wednesday 11th February at 7.00pm. This is a parent only event (please try to avoid bringing children if possible) and will be an opportunity to find out about how we teach reading at Stadhampton, our phonics scheme and how you can support your child at home. Look out for a ParentMail invite next week.



FOPS VALENTINE DISCO

Thursday 12th February 2025
5.30pm - 7.00pm
Ticket information to follow



NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

Friday 13th February 2025
More details to follow!

BUS SHELTER CLEANING

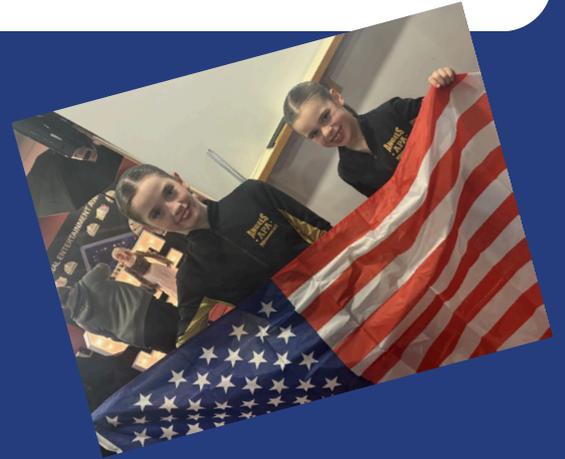
Bus Shelter Cleaning

You may have seen on the village Facebook page that the community is looking for volunteers to clean the bus stop near the garage. Neirin Edwards and Raffy have offered but would be keen to be joined by anyone else who would like to lend a hand. Please let the school office know if you are willing to help and we can put you in touch with Neirin.

EMMY DANCED HER WAY TO NEW YORK!

Congratulations to Emmy and the team at Angels Performing Arts! Emmy, competed at a major event in Essex this weekend, winning Best Newcomer Act and securing a place in the National Finals of the Entertainment Awards at the O2 Arena this June.

The celebrations continued with a golden buzzer moment, earning the team an invitation to perform on Broadway in New York in 2028. An incredible achievement!



SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE

FoSP will be holding a second hand uniform sale before and after school on Thursday 12th February 2026, card and cash payments both accepted.

We are looking for donations of larger size branded items if you are able to help, please kindly donate to the school office washed, ready to sell.

BACK TO SCHOOL WITH COLOUR

Little Masters
...with art activities

PAINT A CANVAS
BUNNY IN BED
CLAY HEDGEHOGS
CHARACTER CHARMS
MOTHERS DAY PROJECT
EASTER BOX CRAFT

EVERY WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2026 - 25TH MARCH 2026 3.15PM - 4.30PM

HOW TO REGISTER TO JOIN LITTLE MASTERS ART CLUB AT STADHAMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
Existing members places are automatically renewed you do not need to re-register just confirm interest.
New places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Email: gerrri@littlemasters.co.uk
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IMPORTANT NOTICES

After School Clubs

After-school Hockey Club and Art Club will return after February half-term. Online booking will open on ParentMail next week. Limited spaces available.

Car Park Reminder

We have noticed that a small number of parents are using the car park at drop-off and collection times. Please note that this is a staff-only car park.

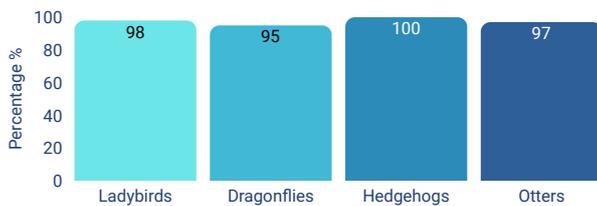
We kindly ask all parents to use alternative parking arrangements.

ATTENDANCE

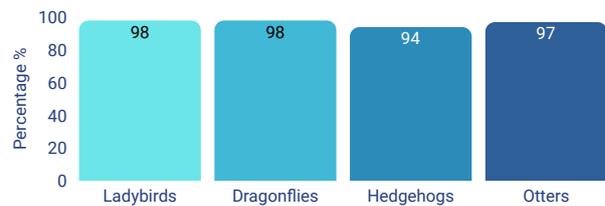
The school has an attendance target of 97%, and each child has an important part to play in helping us meet it. Regular attendance supports learning, builds confidence, and ensures every pupil can make the most of the opportunities school offers.

Thank you to all families for supporting good attendance—together, we can continue to build strong habits that help every child thrive.

Attendance 19th to 23rd January 2026



Attendance 26th to 30th January 2026



Well done to Hedgehog class for highest attendance last week and joint top this week for Ladybird and Dragonfly class



CAKE CLUB

Would you like your child to be in with a chance of winning a cake each Friday? Cake club membership costs £10 for the year; which can be paid in full, or at £3.50 per term to guarantee your entry. Membership means your child's name will be entered into the Cake Club draw each Friday to win the cake kindly donated by a different family each time. If you would like to take part in Cake Club and help us raise funds for FOSP, please see Mrs Venner or leave money in the office clearly marked with your child's name.

Calling all bakers. We have created an online cake club rota: [Cake Club Google Sheet](#) - Please do pop your name down against any of the available dates if you would be willing to bake or donate a cake. If you are unable to edit the google sheet directly, please email the office with the date you'd like and we can pop your name on for you.

Please can we ask that all cakes made are nut and gelatine free.



SAVE THE DATE

PLEASE COME & JOIN US FOR
**STADHAMPTON
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**50TH YEAR
CELEBRATIONS
AT CRATLANDS CLOSE**

FRIDAY 22 MAY 2026

PAST AND PRESENT PUPILS, FAMILIES, AND STAFF ARE WARMLY INVITED TO HELP US CELEBRATE OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

IF YOU HAVE ANY PHOTOGRAPHS, MEMORABILIA, OR STORIES TO SHARE, WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU. WE ARE PUTTING TOGETHER DISPLAY BOARDS TO MARK THIS SPECIAL OCCASION.

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EMAIL: OFFICE.2455@STADHAMPTON.OXON.SCH.UK

We are With You is open to Parents and Carers of young People aged 5 – 25 years across Oxfordshire, you do not need an open referral or have ever been open to CAMHS to access the offer.

We have Parents webinars:

Thursday 26th February - Sleep & Mental Health. 5pm – 6pm, Online.

Friday 13th March 2026 – Unmet Needs or Emotional Avoidance? Understanding the Difference in School Non-Attendance. 1.30pm – 2.30pm. Online.

Date to follow for Supporting Children with limited food intake and sensory sensitivities
Family wellbeing walks (during the Easter Holidays at both Blenheim Palace and Harcourt Arboretum).

Date to follow for Parents only wellbeing walk at Harcourt Arboretum.

Online, drop-in coffee mornings, 2 Thursdays per month, dates can be accessed via the booking link.

Dates to follow for in-person coffee events.



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February 2026

St Nicholas' Holiday Club

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years

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LOCATION:
St Nicholas' Primary School, Oxford

COST:
£38 per day
All childcare vouchers accepted

DATES & TIMES:
8:00am - 5:00pm
Monday 16th to Friday 20th February

HOW TO BOOK:
Scan the QR code to book and use code HHSNIC to take you straight to the club or visit our [website](#)

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