

# Stoberry Park School



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Dear Parents

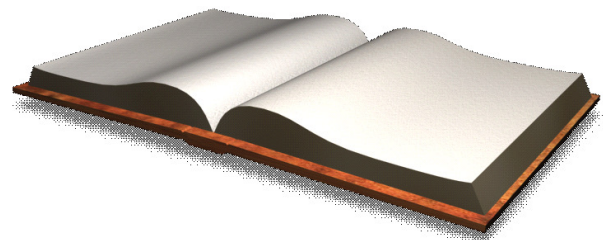
Welcome back to our final half term of this school year. I hope you enjoyed the wonderful weather during half term and were able to take some advantage and get out and enjoy the outdoors without the need for wellies and umbrellas.



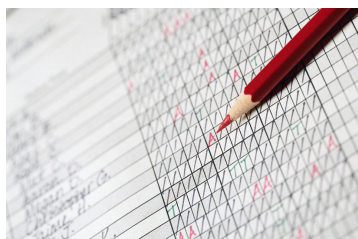
As we go into our final half term there is still much to do and to organise and I hope that we can help you to keep up with what we are doing. Please can I remind everyone about the importance of sun safety with hats and sunscreen for all the children in school?

## Changes to Education

You may be aware that our new government is making lots of changes very quickly. We have been informed that we should not have 6 INSET days next year and for this reason we will be sending out a new Calendar which has only 5 INSET days on it. We will replace the website calendar as quickly as we can. We have also been informed that the New Primary Curriculum which we were really looking forward to working with will not be adopted. This is a shame as the new curriculum looked as if it would have given us considerable freedom to do lots of exciting things. We now await new plans. You can see that our SEAL topic for this term 'Changes' is very apt and that change is something which affects us all.



## Attendance



Many of you will be receiving letters concerning attendance. We have been advised to let parents know as pupil attendance drops below 95%. We will be doing this each half term in the future. This is just a first contact so that parents can keep an eye on attendance for their own children. It is clearly documented that poor attendance does result in lower attainment for pupils and we would like all our children to do as well as they possibly can. We do realise that sometimes illness is such that children cannot come into school and we would not wish you to send them when they are really unwell. We would, however, encourage you to think carefully about whether time off is needed for some of the more minor complaints that children sometimes have. It helps children to develop a pattern for later school life and into their working life in terms of attendance.

### Café Stoberry

The doors of Café Stoberry will open their doors again on Friday 18 June from 10.00am until 4.00 pm for coffee and French Patisserie. Everyone is welcome to come along to experience some French style served up by children in year 5.



### Diary Dates

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| • Friday June 11 <sup>th</sup>       | KS1 Disco 6.30 - 7.30 pm                   |
| • Saturday June 19 <sup>th</sup>     | Country Dancing on Cathedral Green         |
| • Wednesday June 30 <sup>th</sup>    | Yr 6 to Blue School - class swap afternoon |
| • Friday July 2 <sup>nd</sup>        | Visitors from Ghana arrive                 |
| • Friday July 2 <sup>nd</sup>        | Circle of Friends BBQ                      |
| • Friday July 9 <sup>th</sup>        | KS2 Disco - 3/4 - 6.30 - 7.30              |
|                                      | 5/6 - 8.00 - 9.00                          |
| • Friday July 23 <sup>rd</sup>       | Start of summer holiday                    |
| • Thursday September 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Return to school                           |

### INSET Dates for 2010/2011 - (Revised)

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October



- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February

Many apologies for changes

Thank you for your continued support

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Hawkins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and a stylized "H".

Michael Hawkins  
Head Teacher