# STANBURN NEWS

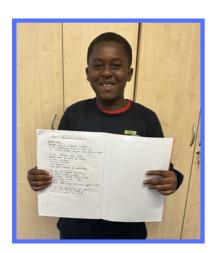


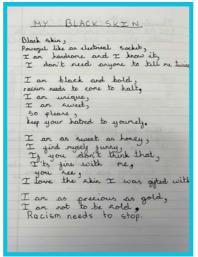




### **National Poetry Day**

This week we celebrated National Poetry Day across the school. Pupils have been exposed to a range of different poetry styles and have had opportunities to read, recite and write a variety of different poems.







Caimron blew us all away with his powerful, personal interpretation.

"With young children, engaging with poetry helps with language skills in all sorts of ways. Studies have shown that learning poetry by heart improves performance academically at school, improving concentration, and even supporting better sleep.

For adults, evidence shows that learning poetry by heart can give you a happier and more successful life. It improves the ability to communicate and strengthen relationships, improves memory, increases brain capacity and can help keep dementia at bay. It's amazing stuff really.

Learning poetry together changes lives!" Gyles Brandreth

Don't forget, pupils can also enter the Poetry Together event. This is an initiative which brings together both the elderly and the young through a shared love of poetry.

JOIN IN - Children can either learn a well-known poem off by heart or create their own original poem on the theme of happiness. They will then recite their poems to an audience of invited guests made up of grandparents and elderly people from the local community.



Please give your poems to Mrs Hartland by Monday 30th October 2023.

## SICKNESS & ATTENDANCE



Every day that a child is absent from school impacts their progress. If you are unsure whether to send your child into school, please read the information <u>here</u>.

## **GOVERNANCE**



Liza Martin, Chair of Governors has resigned after more than 20 years service to Stanburn. We wish her the very best of luck in her next endeavour and thank her for all she has done for our children over the years.

We are very pleased to announce that Rakhee Rajani was voted in as our new Chair of Governors from September 2023.

I'm delighted to be the Chair of the Governing Board of Stanburn Primary School for the next year. I've been a parent governor for the past 18 months or so. I'm looking forward to getting stuck in and ensuring that we have effective governance at Stanburn. I'm looking forward to working strategically with Ms D'Souza and also engaging with other stakeholders – staff, pupils, parents and the wider community.





My favourite photo of the week.

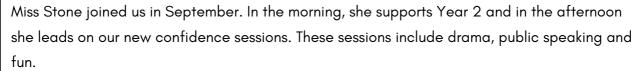
This photo stands for everything I want Stanburn to be. Mrs Hajibey took time out of her lunch break to check in on a child who had been upset the previous day. I watched his face light up when he saw her and knew that this small interaction had made the world of difference.

Ms D'Souza

# MEET THE TEACHER



#### **Miss Stone**



Miss Stone trained in Musical Theatre for 3 years at Masters Performing Arts. She has performed in variety of in house shows such as Grease, Legally Blonde and Wicked and was then cast professionally as a principal dancer in the productions Cinderella and Beauty and The Beast. Miss Stone has been a Performing Arts teacher for 4 years, working for "Perform" School of Arts and then following onto create her own company "msperformingarts" where she teaches drama and a variety of dance styles. Miss Stone has also worked closely with SEN children in a school environment and is keen to start working with all children at Stanburn to help build confidence, social interaction and keep children engaged through performing arts activities.





#### PARENT FEEDBACK

I am delighted that my child has transitioned to Stanburn exceptionally well. He is absolutely loving school. When he returns home, he's both positive and tired, which speaks volumes about his experience.

### **UPCOMING DATES**

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