

Friday, 06th January 2023

Welcome Back

Happy New Year and Welcome back to all our children and families from the governors and staff at Stansfield Hall.

We hope everyone had a peaceful holiday and it is lovely to see all the children back in school again.

Headteacher

As well as wishing you a Happy New Year and welcoming everyone back to school, I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself. I am Mrs Taylor-Smith and I am absolutely delighted to be taking up the position of Headteacher at Stansfield Hall Church of England/ Methodist Church Primary School.

I would like to start off by saying how wonderfully impressed I have been by the children...

Headteacher (Cont'd)

...They have welcomed me with open arms (and lots of interesting conversations on the playground) and have genuinely made me feel really pleased to be here. Behaviour for learning across the school has been remarkable with lots of fantastic lessons going on. I have heard everything about family pets, siblings and new babies that are on the way this year. We have also had some football team conversations and I am not sure that my chosen team has won me many popularity points.

Since relocating to the north with my husband and 3 children, I have been a Deputy Head at a school in North Manchester and Head of School at a school over in Halifax. I'm passionate about teaching and learning and getting the very best out of children and will always do my job with a smile on my face! I always tell people that "I have the best job in the world" and I genuinely mean that. I have quickly picked up on the fact that the staff at Stansfield Hall care deeply about the children and families and I hope, as we get to know each other and work together, you will see that I very much share this sentiment.

If you see me on the gate, do pop over and say "hi" - you can't miss me - I'll be the one wearing a winter coat in all weathers!

Flu, COVID & Scarlet Fever

You will have seen lots in the news about the increasing cases of Flu, COVID & Scarlet Fever. Please follow the public guidance on this and keep children at home if they are showing symptoms of any of these conditions to help prevent further spread.

Weekly Attendance:

Willow: 100.00% Sycamore: 87.50% Maple: 90.34% Elm: 99.00% Birch: 100.00%





You will be aware that the school was inspected by Ofsted back in November. Having now received the final report, Governors will be sharing this with parents and carers in the coming days. A meeting will be scheduled for parents to come in and meet with governors and Mrs Taylor-Smith to discuss the report.

Contact

If you need any support please ask on the <u>Earlyhelp@stansfieldhall.rochdale.sch.uk</u> or ask the staff on the gate in a morning.

If your concern is around Special Educational Needs then our SENCo can be emailed on SEND@stansfieldhalll.roch dale.sch.uk

Christian Faith Value

This half-term our Christian Faith Value is Truthfulness. We will begin to look at this in assemblies and lessons from next week, thinking about how we can encourage all members of our community to be truthful with one another and how we can be true to ourselves.

Name Change

You will remember that, back in December, we made you aware that Governors were in the process of making a slight change to the name of the school. This process is almost complete and so you will start to see our new name...

Stansfield Hall Church of England / Methodist Church Primary School

... used more frequently.

Volunteers

Schools are busy places, and we would always welcome support from our local community. If you or someone you know could spare an hour a week to come and listen to some of our children read, we would be very grateful.

Please contact the school office to express an interest.

WEEK 1

Next Week's Menu...

DUE TO SUPPLY CHAIN PRESSURES THESE MEALS
MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Monday

Crispy Fish Fingers, Potato & Peas

Warm Cookies & Milkshake

Tuesday

Fresh Kitchen Chicken Curry & Rice

Warm Fruit Waffles & Whipped Cream

Wednesday

Fresh Kitchen Savoury Pie, Seasonal Potatoes & Vegetables

Tropical Fresh Fruit Salad & Oaty Biscuit

Thursday

Slow Cooked Braised Steak with Carrots & Chunky Chips

Hot Chocolate Sponge & Custard

Friday

Choice of Topped or Plain Cheese Pizza Slice with Fries & Seasonal Vegetables

Ice Cream Desserts

Available Daily

Hot Daily Pasta, Selection of Filled Sandwiches & Freshly Baked Jacket Potato.



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