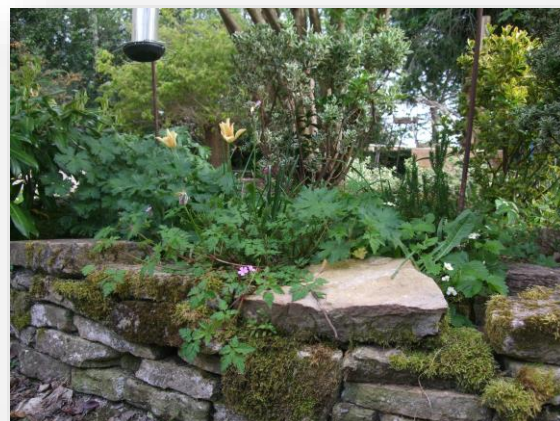


Stoke Hill Federation

Newsletter



Friday 18th May 2018



Year 6 SATs Tests

We are so proud of our Year 6 children, who this week have completed their National Tests in reading, maths, spelling and grammar.

We could see from their determination that every single child has tried as hard as they possibly could in every test. We are really impressed with the way our children have handled themselves. They have been calm and confident, and have demonstrated our Federation value that

'there is a culture where everyone is passionate about learning'.

The outcomes of Year 6 are due to the effort and commitment of every member of staff who has worked with the children over the last 8 years, as well as the hard work of the children and your constant effort and support, thank you!

An Unexpected Visitor

Last week, looking with interest at the Sense Garden at the Infant School, was a lady that we didn't recognise. We thought she had arrived for our KS1 Curriculum Workshops but, seeing people at the school during the early evening she called in to introduce herself as Jenny Mellings, a Stoke Hill parent from the past who, with Carol Strath and other keen parents, designed and planted our Sense Garden 23 years ago, in 1995.

Jenny was fascinated to see the size of the trees she planted as young saplings and that the drystone wall, laid by her parents (now in their 80's), is still standing.

The Sense Garden, what a gift to the school, a 'gift that keeps giving' so the saying goes. To everyone in our school community who gives their time and their skills, you give not just for now, but into the future too, thank you.



Don't forget to bring your Bug Hotel in to school. We can suggest some suitable locations to place them around the grounds, where hopefully they will attract lots of visitors. We have been really impressed by the ones we've seen so far!

Be Proud of your Very Being

Children are learning more about the Early Help for Mental Health '10 a Day' activities. There have been lots of occasions this week where children have demonstrated their pride in their learning by telling us about extra things they have done at home, for example drawing, writing stories; learning scientific facts; doing extra times tables/Education City practise; and achieving awards in various clubs and societies.

Please encourage your child to let us know about these kind of things, and we can celebrate them by sharing their news with the school during our assemblies.



Visit www.wildlifewatch.org.uk for more activity sheets, including how to make a Bee Nest!

Many thanks to Steve Ison, who has built the decking outside the Reading Bus to create an outdoor reading area! It's a fabulous place to sit and enjoy a good book on a sunny lunchtime.