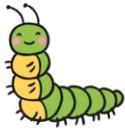
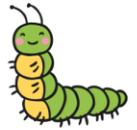


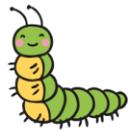
Welcome to Caterpillar Class!



We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child to an exciting first year at Stanground St John's.



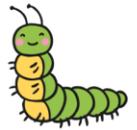
Please note that the school gates will open promptly at 8:45am and will be locked at 8:55am.



The use of scooters/bikes on the playground is **not** permitted at any time.



As your child progresses throughout the first term in school, we will encourage them to be more independent in tasks such as writing their name to put on their own fruit/work, putting their bottle into the correct colour tray, taking their coat on and off and hanging it on their peg. We ask that parents please support us in this by encouraging them to practice this at home.



Uniform

Please ensure that **all** school uniform, including coats, jackets and P.E. kit, are clearly labelled with your child's **full name**. Unfortunately, if uniform is not labelled it is extremely difficult for us to locate missing items.



School uniform must consist of: Grey/Black trousers, white shirt or polo shirt and a red school jumper for boys, and grey/black trousers, skirt or dress with a white shirt or polo shirt and a red school jumper/cardigan for girls. During the warmer months, girls may wear a red summer dress and boys may wear grey/black tailored shorts. All children must wear suitable black school shoes.



P.E.

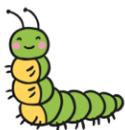
Our P.E. days are on a **Monday** and **Wednesday**, however these are subject to change so please send your child with their P.E. kit on a Monday and leave it in school all week. We will ensure that P.E. kits are sent home on a Friday to be washed and returned the following week.



It is vital that all children receive two hours of P.E. per week at school. In order to do so, your child will need suitable P.E. kit to change into. Our P.E. policy states that children without suitable P.E. kit will receive a warning and a P.E. kit 'reminder' slip. Should this reoccur, a purple slip will be given and minutes of your child's play time will be missed.



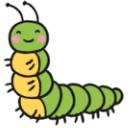
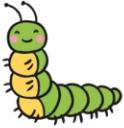
P.E. kit must consist of: black shorts and a **plain** white t-shirt or a black school logo polo shirt with suitable indoor P.E. shoes. Some units of P.E. require the children to be outside so we do ask that you also provide a suitable outdoor P.E. kit and trainers. This should consist of **plain** black jogging bottoms and a **plain** black jumper. Brightly coloured tracksuits or t-shirts/jumpers with logos are not allowed.





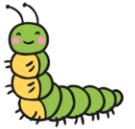
Water Bottles

Your child will need their water bottle daily to ensure that they have access to a drink at any point during the day.

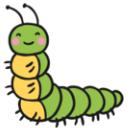


Reading and Homework

Reading is an extremely important part of your child's education. Your child will begin Phonics within their first few weeks at school. Once your child is able to blend to read simple words, they will be provided with a colour coded reading book which they will be able to read to you. Please record each time your child reads their book at home in their reading log, so that we are able to move them up the reading flower in our classroom. For each increment of 10 that your child reaches, they will receive a certificate in assembly.

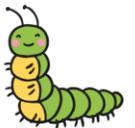
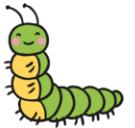


Each week, we will send home your child's homework book. Inside you will find; a "WOW Slip", the sounds/tricky words that your child has learnt and an open ended homework activity/task for your child to complete (please support where necessary whilst still encouraging independence!). This will be set on a **Friday** and must be complete by the following **Wednesday**. All homework tasks will be shared in class on a Thursday and prizes will be given for the best homework!



Child of the Week

Our 'Very Hungry Caterpillar', Colin, is our class mascot. Each week one child will be chosen as the "Child of the Week" and will have the opportunity to take Colin the Hungry Caterpillar and his diary home for the weekend. Colin's diary will then be shared with the class and your child will have the opportunity to talk to their peers about their weekend with him.



WOW Moments

While we see the progress in your child's learning at school and can celebrate this with them, we don't always get to hear about their achievements outside of school. We absolutely love hearing about the moments that both you and your child are proud of and will be displaying these in the classroom. We will send home "WOW Slips" weekly for you to record these moments on. Please return them to school so that we are able to clip them up under your child's name for everyone to see and celebrate! There is absolutely no limit on the number of WOW slips that you complete so please ask if you should like another!



We would like to thank you in advance for your support and engagement during this important year, and we look forward to getting to know you and your child.



Miss Winwick, Mrs Brawn and Miss Haynes

