

# STAMFORD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL COUNCIL REVIEW 2024 - 2025

# AIMS OF THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

- To give the pupils of Stamford Park Primary School a voice in the running of the school.
- To devise initiatives to improve the school environment 'making it a better place for all the children and adults'.
- To help people in our local community 'by giving our time, energy and help to the people who need it.'

# THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT



## RAISING FURTHER FUNDS TO IMPROVE THE PLAYGROUND

- Following last year's successful TESCO application we have secured £1500 funding from the in-store donation system for our new playground equipment.
- Mr. Hines has also applied for a £6000 grant from the 'Persimmon' company, who donate money to local good causes.
- The School Council met with the Rights Rangers to develop the 'School Playground Charter', a list of rules and values to support our new playground scheme.

# PARKING CAMPAIGN

- Following a request from Rose, our cook, the 'School Council' agreed to help with the kitchen's parking campaign.
- People often park outside the 'School Kitchen' entrance and block deliveries to the school.
- These deliveries have to be carried a long way by the kitchen staff.
- The children produced some posters and leaflets to display near the 'School Kitchen'.



# ROAD CROSSING REQUEST

- Due to the increased use of the 'School Field', because of our new playtime scheme, the 'School Council' thought that it would be a good idea to have a crossing installed to help people over Queen's Road.
- Mr. Hines has completed an application to Trafford Council requesting an application for a crossing installation on Queen's Road.



# THE LOCAL COMMUNITY



# LOCAL AREA LETTER DROP

- The 'School Council' was asked by Ms. Bogart to conduct a letter drop to the local streets advising them of the 'Fireworks Night' taking place on the 'School Field'.
- We wanted to ensure that all the residents were invited to our event.
- Also, this warning was to make sure that any pets were in a safe place when the fireworks went off.

Providing extra for the children of Stamford Park Primary School

Dear Neighbour,

On Wednesday 6th November 2024 the PTA from Stamford Park Primary School are holding a firework event.

The fireworks display itself will be on the school playing field on Queens Road. The event is running from 5.00 p.m. until 8.00 p.m. and there will be a 15-minute firework display around 6.45 p.m.; so you may want to make sure you keep pets indoors around this time.

We will, of course, remind families attending to be courteous to local residents, keeping noise levels to a minimum when leaving and to take care not to block residents' driveways if travelling by car.

You would be very welcome to join us in the school playground where we will be serving food and drinks and have a musical accompaniment to the display – Tickets are £5 per person and can be bought via the email address below:

[pta@spjs.org.uk](mailto:pta@spjs.org.uk)

# FRIENDS OF STAMFORD PARK LITTER PICK

- Jackie, one of the 'Friends of Stamford Park', helped the School Council to arrange a litter picking afternoon.
- Andy and Ben from 'Keep Trafford Tidy' also joined us to explain the importance of picking up litter from the communal areas of the town.
- They also brought along 'Percy the Penguin' who loved eating the litter!
- We collected three full bin bags of refuse!
- We hoped that our good example would show other people how to keep their local park clean and tidy!



# FRIENDS OF STAMFORD PARK LITTER PICK 2

- Jackie, our contact at the 'Friends of Stamford Park', helped the School Council to arrange a second litter picking afternoon.
- Andy and Ben from 'Keep Trafford Tidy' joined us again and so did the School Council from St. Vincent's Primary School.
- 'Percy the Penguin' also returned!
- We collected five full bin bags of refuse this time with our extra help, including Hannah the local Green Party council member!
- Again, we hoped that our good example would show other people how to keep their local park clean and tidy!



# FRIENDS OF STAMFORD PARK FUNDRAISER

- Jackie, our contact at the 'Friends of Stamford Park', asked us to raise money to help the park refurbish the 'Junior Playground'.
- Mr. Hines and the 'School Council' devised the 30KM walk for Stamford Park, where children were sponsored for doing a number of laps around the school field, dependent on age.
- The children managed to raise a total of £2735.45 pounds for Stamford Park who were incredibly grateful of our efforts.



# ST. ANDREW'S COURT

- The 'School Council' was invited to the 'Knit and Natter' afternoon with the residents of St. Andrew's court, our local sheltered accommodation for older people.
- We all had a lovely time getting to know each other and even got to play table tennis with the residents.
- We hope to work on more projects together in the future.



# THE CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE FARM TRUST (C.A.F.T.)

## The Christmas appeal

- The School Council children devised and presented an assembly to the whole school, asking children to take part in the C.A.F.T. Christmas appeal.
- Children had to provide a new, gift-wrapped toy or present, ready for someone to receive at Christmas.
- In total 69 presents were collected by C.A.F.T. at the end of the appeal.



# THE CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE FARM TRUST (C.A.F.T.)

## Visit from Hannah Grahame

- Hannah Grahame, who is a fundraiser for C.A.F.T., came to speak to the children at one of our School Council meetings.
- She informed the children of the importance of their fundraising work at Christmas and shared the impact of this appeal.
- The School Council children were amazed at how much they had helped and felt very proud of their achievements.



# THE CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE FARM TRUST (C.A.F.T.)

## The Easter Egg appeal

- As with the C.A.F.T. Christmas appeal, the School Council children devised and presented an assembly to the whole school, asking children to take part in an Easter appeal.
- Children were asked to donate an Easter Egg or other chocolate treat for the children who visited C.A.F.T. over the Easter period.
- In total 81 gifts were collected by C.A.F.T. at the end of the appeal.



# THE CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE FARM TRUST (C.A.F.T.)

## Visit to the C.A.F.T. facilities

- The School Council children visited the C.A.F.T. facilities and took part in a guided tour.
- The children saw how all of their hard work had benefitted the visitors to C.A.F.T. over the past year.
- As a special thank you, the children were allowed to see the animals, use the adventure playground and toast marshmallows!



# RADIO ALTRINCHAM

## Radio Altrincham Assembly

- Peter from 'Radio Alty' came in to deliver an assembly, encouraging the children to consider a career in radio.
- Peter ran through how he set up a broadcast and talked about the technical aspects of being a radio broadcaster and the differences which they can make as a volunteer to the local community.
- The School Council arranged, introduced and hosted the event.



# RADIO ALTRINCHAM

## Radio Altrincham Broadcast

- Peter kindly invited us to take part in his show 'Pastries in the Morning' for the second year running.
- The idea of the show was to celebrate all the amazing work completed by the school council during this academic year.
- We also wanted to raise the profile of the school in the local community, creating a positive image, as the numbers of children in some year groups are below capacity.



# MEETING MAYOR ANDY BURNHAM AND CONNOR RAND M.P.

## Meeting Mayor Andy Burnham

- Earlier in the year, we were lucky enough to have some time to meet Mayor Andy Burnham.
- He was very interested in all of our work in the school and the local community.
- Mayor Andy Burnham promised to help us to establish a crossing on Queen's Road to help our children get to the School Field safely.

## Meeting Connor Rand M.P.

- The School Council were lucky to share with Connor Rand, our local M.P., all the work we have been doing throughout this academic year, both in school and the local area.
- We asked Connor all about his time as an M.P. and he promised to help us with our 'Queen's Road' crossing campaign.



# Plans for 2025 - 2026

## In School

- Review our school meals with Rose.
- Fundraiser for the Junior Department roof.
- Establishing the crossing on Queen's Road.

## Around School

- Plan a visit to Altrincham Town Hall.
- Planning further joint litter picks on Stamford Park with our other local schools.
- Re-establish the multi-school venture, collaborating with other local school councils.
- Visiting C.A.F.T. to experience the centre first hand.
- Seek the 'Social Impact Schools Award' as recognition for all our hard work in the community.