



## Infant Junior School & Camp Education

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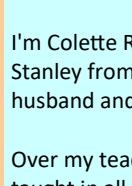
## Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year! I am really pleased to be able to introduce our new staff. I know you will make them feel really welcome.



Mike Hayward, I am really excited for my new adventure as Travelling Teacher, and to build on my experiences as a Forest School leader and International Teacher by teaching in such a unique country.



I'm Colette Rowley. I've moved to Stanley from the UK with my husband and four children.

Over my teaching career I have taught in all primary age groups but most recently I have taught FS in Egypt and China.



I am Mrs Leat. I am married with two young boys who are excited to join Stanley IJS this week.



Kate Silvanus. I came to the Falkland Islands with my husband and three children. I have been teaching in the capital city of Kazakhstan for the past eight years and before that I was teaching for eight years in Swindon, UK. It has been a dream for the past five years to come here and my family and I are very excited to finally be here! We are very much looking forward to exploring this beautiful country and being an active part of the community.



We are from a small town in Lancashire, England. We love to travel as a family and have joined the school after teaching and exploring in Egypt for two years. We are so pleased to be part of the team here in the Falkland Islands and look forward to exploring everything the Falklands has to offer and when possible, South America.



My name is Miss W (Steph Wolstenholme). I have come here from the UK but have lived and travelled all over the world. I like walking and wildlife spotting and have enjoyed spotting the variety of different animals I have already managed to see in the Falklands.

"Hi to everyone, I am Natalie Kaye. I have been welcomed very warmly to the Falklands by parents and children alike, so thank you all! I am originally from Leeds and lived in London where I began teaching. I am particularly into crafting and conservation, so I expect you might see me at Falklands conservation events or craft fayres. Thank you for having me on your beautiful islands."



Hi, I am Jen Abergel. I am originally from London (so I am a Chelsea fan!), but have lived and taught in different countries over the last 15 years. I have been fortunate to teach all age groups from nursery through to Y7. I am very excited to have joined the IJS&CE team and look forward to my time with Camp Ed.



## Notices

Norman Clark will be visiting school to take class photos on 22nd Sept for Foundation Stage children.

Meet the teacher, this is a good chance for you to meet your child/ren's new teacher/s. Please join us in school

FS2 Wednesday 22nd Sept 5.00pm

Y1 to Y6 Wednesday 22nd Sept 6:00pm

Internet safety evening Wednesday 29th Sept, Find out more about the type of things your children might be getting up to on line. A joint evening with FICs and RFIP.

Swimming starts w.c. 13th Sept for all children Y3 to Y6 and more information about this will come from the classes.

FS2, Y1 and Y2 children will swim after Christmas.

**An important reminder to all families, car booster seats are required for all children under 150cm tall.**

### Important days this term:

Peat Cutting Monday 4th October

Half term w.c. 25th October

Battle Day 8th December

Break up for Christmas 16th December

## Off School?

Please ring school on 27294 before 9:00 am if your child is going to be away from school sick.

**Hospital appointments** Please inform the school secretary of these in advance. Children in years 1 to 6 must be collected from and brought back to the office so they can be signed back in.

**Access to school** for parents should always be through the main entrance via the School Office.

**Travelling overseas** If you are going to be away please let the office know who the next of kin are or who the children will be staying with.

It is important that you let us know when your contact details change so we can keep pupil records up to date in case of emergencies.

Please visit our school website to see what we are up to this term.

★ Every week we also display our students of the week and our kindness cup winner! ★



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We are also able to welcome lots of new families to our school community. I know the children will be building new friendships and soon you will be getting to hear all about the new children in class.

The new School Council elections are underway this week. This is a great way for the older children to learn about democracy. Mrs Rowlands and Mrs Barratt spent Monday lunch time talking to children in Years 3 to 6 who were interested in nominating themselves. 47 children turned up to find out more, a fantastic turnout showing the enthusiasm for taking up a role on the Council. Year 6 House Captains and Deputies have also been elected this week. These two groups of children represent the student voice within school and are always very good at making sure they are heard.

As we enter a new term it is fantastic to be able to reflect on some of the special events from last term. Please make sure you take a look at our web site regularly to share in the activities undertaken in different classes and also to be able to celebrate the achievements of those children who have been presented with student of the week awards as well as other prizes celebrated in our Friday assembly.

Snack is always an area of contention. We all have slightly different interpretations of what constitutes a healthy snack for a child. As a teacher I know I have witnessed a wide variety of alternatives being sent in from home over the years. I know every child does not enjoy every vegetable or fruit as they have different tastes but one thing is for sure parents are imaginative! I had one child in my class who used to bring a pot of raw brussel sprouts each day for her snack! Hopefully we will be able to resume 'School snack' but unfortunately not until we can secure sufficient supplies for all of the children. Until this is possible, please can I ask that you continue to send a healthy snack with your child for mid-morning. This is only a snack to tide them over until lunchtime so only needs to be a single item for example an apple or a banana or perhaps some cheese and crackers. Please avoid cake, sweets or chocolate as we work really hard with the children about making good choices for a healthy diet.

We also ask please, that the snack you send with your child/ren does not contain nuts. We have several people in school, children and adults, with a severe allergy to nuts.

As a school we make sure water is available for the children during the day. For the younger children this might be in cups by the sink and for the older children it will also be available through access to the water fountains. However, if your child would prefer to bring a named water bottle into school each day this is also OK, they will need to remember to take it home again so it is clean and ready for the new day.

The roads around our site are always busy at the start and end of sessions. If you are bringing your child/ren to school in a vehicle can I please ask that you park safely before bringing your child/ren into the playground. The staff work closely with the police to keep the roads safe for our children as they travel to school.

Our School sessions for children in years 1 to 6 starts at 8:55am and 1:25pm. The playground is open and staff are on duty from 8:45am and 1:15pm, please don't send your children to school before this time as they will not be supervised. Sessions start at different times for the children in Foundation stage, their day starts at 8:45am with the afternoon starting at 1:15pm, this gives you the chance to get your children to school on time if you have children in both settings.

If you arrive at school after the bell has gone please come to the front entrance so your child/ren can sign in late at the office. It is important that we know who is in school to keep all of the children safe.



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