

September 2020 Newsletter

Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to school and the start of another year. It was lovely to welcome the pupils back last week for the Autumn Term and from walking around school, they seem genuinely pleased to be back.

We hope that you have had an enjoyable summer and that the children have rested well and are now ready for a year of excitement and hard work.

I would like to welcome all our new children and parents to Stonebroom Primary School. If you have any concerns, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance—they will be available on the playground at the end of the school day. Each year group will be sending out a newsletter which will contain information about topics, homework, P.E. etc. These will also be available on the website— https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages

The website also contains extra information including the monthly school newsletter. The school phone App is also very useful as it synchs to our school calendar, ensuring you will never miss another assembly!

Mrs. George remains Head Teacher and Mr Walmsley the Deputy Head Teacher. If you wish to speak with either of them, please contact the school by phone, e-mail or by visiting school. We will be pleased to see you or offer an appointment.

Mrs Dillon, our Pastoral Officer, will be with us every Tuesday & Wednesday. She will be looking closely at our attendance, and following up any concerns that we may have.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club opens at 7.45am and the entrance & car park are on the High Street. It is open for parents/carers who need childcare before school. The cost is £3.00 per day and can be paid daily or on ParentPay.

All children who wish to attend Breakfast Club must arrive by 8.40am at the latest. There is no need to book in advance, you can just turn up on the day, however you will need to have registered (forms available from the office or on the website—https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/letters.)

Free Breakfast Club is currently closed—we will let you know as soon as it opens.

CLASSES

Due to current circumstances, the class teachers have changed slightly for the academic year 2020-2021

F1 (Nursery) - Mrs Beresford—Monkeys

F2 (Reception) - **Mrs Marsh** covering Miss Gill's maternity leave—Sheep

Y1—Miss Rowland—Elephants

Y2-Mr Scott-Meerkats

Y3—Mrs Marshall —Giraffes

Y4—Miss Johal—Koalas

Y5—Mr Moss—Dragons

Y6—Mr Walmsley—Sharks

Small Group Tuition—Mrs Hobot

Sendco- Miss Rowland

All classes have extra support staff every morning



GOODBYE

In July we said a fond farewell to some members of staff—Mr Shaw (IT Technician), Miss Smith (Reception Maternity Cover), Mrs Bradshaw (Dinner Lady) and Mrs Corah (Senco) all left Stonebroom Primary School. We wish them all the best for the future.



NO DOGS ALLOWED

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school premises unless a specific risk assessment has been carried out—this also means that they must not be carried onto the premises. This is a DCC regulation.



NUT FREE SCHOOL

Reminder—we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL—this is because we have children in school who have life threatening reactions when they come into contact with nuts. Please help us to keep our children safe by not sending any food into school that contains nuts.

Y6 LEAVERS

As you are no doubt aware, our wonderful Y6 pupils left school in July, but not before the final presentation assembly.

Awards were presented to:







Olivia —Most Progress Throughout KS2

Lyndon—Highest School Attainer

Lucy—The Mrs Kaye Award—Overall Contribution to School Life

We are very proud of all our Y6 pupils and wish them all the best for the future.

SENDCo

I am Miss Rowland and I would like to introduce myself as the new SENDCO. I have the Government qualification for this role and will be coordinating the Special Educational Needs provision within school. If you have any concerns about your child please do not hesitate to get in touch. I am here to answer any queries you may have, listen to any worries, offer advice and in some cases refer your child to outside agencies.

I would also like to direct you to the Local Offer. The Local

Offer will help you understand what services and support you can expect from local agencies, in addition to explaining your statutory requirements. This can be found at

www.localoffer.derbyshire.gov.uk

Again, please contact me if you would like any further information.



SWIMMING

Only Y5 will be swimming this year—every Thursday afternoon. This will not be starting until at least November 2020.

DRINKS BOTTLES

Every child is given a named drinks bottle for classroom use. These bottles are washed at school. Please do not send your child with disposable water bottles as we are trying to reduce their use in school.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

It is wonderful to see that all of our pupils are dressed smartly in uniform.

A reminder that our dress code consists of:

- Blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
- Pale blue or white polo shirt
- Grey or black trousers, shorts, pinafore dress or skirt
- Low heeled black shoes/boots (not black and white)
- Blue checked summer dress

You may notice that **trainers are not on this list** –footwear should be low heeled black shoes or boots. You will be contacted if your child's uniform is not in line with school policy.

P.E. Kits consist of a plain white t-shirt and dark shorts/joggers, plimsolls or trainers.

For this term we ask that your child comes into school wearing their P.E. kit on their P.E. day (see below.) This is to reduce cross contamination between home and school. This means that the children can wear their trainers on P.E. day only.

P.E. Days:

F2 (Sheep)-Wednesday

Y1 & 2 (Elephants & Meerkats)- Friday

Y3 & 4 (Giraffes & Koalas) - Tuesday

Y5 (Dragons) - Monday

Y6 (Sharks) - Thursday

Please contact school if you have any issues or problems purchasing the correct uniform or are unsure about anything— I am sure that we will be able to help. If your child is unable to wear uniform for any reason, please contact Mrs George.



DERBYSHIRE County Council

TAKING HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME NOTICE FROM DERBYSHIRE

Important Notice for parents/carers— Unauthorised leave of absence during term time

Derbyshire County Council will consider the issue of a penalty notice for any period of holiday absence which has not been authorised by the headteacher.

This means you **MUST** have a holiday authorised by the school—application forms are available from the office however please be aware that we will only authorise holidays in **exceptional circumstances**.

CHANGES TO 2020-2021

- Children should be wearing school uniform—this will be our usual uniform (see previous page) with the exception of P.E. day when they should come to school in the P.E. kit (see previous page).
- Children are in key stage bubbles—Foundation (Reception & Nursery), KS1 (Years 1&2), Lower KS2 (Years 3&4) & Upper KS2 (Years 5&6).
- •There are staggered times to the start and end of the school day for each bubble (see opposite)
- •Paid breakfast club is open (£3.00 per day), however free breakfast club is not available at the moment.
- •Bagels are available free of charge on the playground.
- •There is no tuck shop—children must bring their own snack (fruit only Mon—Thurs)
- •Desks in years 2-6 are forward facing, with children sat next to each other (not facing each other)
- •There will be no parent assemblies during the autumn term.
- Reception parents are not able to bring their children into school. The children should be collected from the courtyard.
- •The school kitchen IS open for hot dinners.
- Year 3 children will still be learning to play a musical instrument every Wednesday afternoon—we will let you know when this will be starting.
- •Year 5 **will** be swimming every Thursday afternoon although this will not start until November 2020 at the earliest.
- •The only after school club in the autumn term will be Homework Club—Monday 3.30pm—4.30pm. It will be held in 3 different classrooms with 3 different teachers.
- •Children are asked to only bring essential items in from home (no toys, pencil cases etc) to reduce the risk of cross contamination and sharing.
- There will be extra tuition provided for small groups/ individuals who we believe may have been affected academically during lockdown. This will be led by Mrs Hobot.
- Mrs Attenborough (Learning Mentor), Annette Dillon (Pastoral Officer) and Elaine Wright (counsellor) are here to help support you and your children. Please contact us if you or your child would like to have a chat with them.

PICNIC BENCHES

Our school picnic benches have unfortunately come to the end of their school lives and have had to be removed from the school premises.due to being deemed unsafe

The children really enjoy sitting on the benches, eating their lunch or just watching the world go by..

Do you know of anybody local who we can ask to make us some picnic benches at a relatively low cost? Please contact Mrs George or Mrs Rushton.



DROP OFF & PICK UP TIMES

It is important that if we allow parents/carers to enter the premises that they keep their social distance and promptly leave the school premises once they have dropped off or collected their child.

Please do not arrive at school earlier than your allotted time— this is to ensure the safety of all.

DROP OFF

- 8.50am—Y5&6 and any younger siblings
- 9.00am—Y3&4 and any younger siblings
- 9.10am—Y1&2 and any younger siblings
- 9.20am—Reception Children

PICK UP TIME

- 3.00pm-Y5&6
- 3.10pm—Y3&4
- 3.20pm—Y1&2
- 3.30pm—Reception

Children who have younger siblings in school –pick up at the time of the youngest child.

A big thank you to everybody for working together to make Stonebroom a safe place.

INSET DAYS

Inset dates (staff training days when school is closed to pupils) for 2020-2021:

Friday 18th December 2020

Monday January 4th 2021

Monday 19th April 2021

Friday 28th May 2021

Monday 7th June 2021

SCHOOL DINNERS

Don't forget—school dinners are **FREE to children in F2**, **Y1 and Y2**. You only need to inform us if your child will be bringing sandwiches.

School dinners will cost £2.20 per day for children in Y3,4,5 & 6 unless they receive free dinners.





SAFEGUARDING

We take safeguarding very seriously. Our Child Protection Officers are:

Mrs George

Mrs Beresford

Mrs Booker

All staff are trained in safeguarding procedures. There are safeguarding leaflets available on the leaflet stand (as you enter school.) The school policy is available on the school website.

If you have any concerns at all about any child, please contact one of our trained officers.

ESSENTIAL VISITORS

At the moment we are only allowing essential visitors into the school building and are trying to reduce face to face meetings, therefore although Parent Consultation Meetings will take place (wk' comm' 19th October 2020), they will be slightly different this year. We will let you know more details as soon as possible.

Should you need to speak to your child's class teacher in detail before this date, please telephone the school office.

September 22nd 2020—Staying Safe Online Day—

October 19th—23rd 2020 —Black History Week

Wk commencing 19th —Parent Consultation Evening

October 23rd 2020—Break Up for Half Term

November 2nd 2020—Children Return to School

November 13th 2020—Children In Need Day

November 20th 2020—Anti-Bullying

November 26th 2020—Flu Immunisa-

tion Day

December 17th 2020—Break Up

January 4th 2021– Inset Day—The Curriculum

January 5th 2021—Children Return to School

January 20th 2021—Maths Morning

February 9th 2021 - Safer Internet Day

February 12th 2021—Break Up

February 22nd 2021—Children Return to School

March 4th 2021—World Book Day

March 12th 2021—Red Nose Day

March 12th 2021—Mother's Day Meal

March 22nd –25th 2021—Kingswood

Residential

March 31st & April 1st 2021—Parent

Consultation Evening

April 1st 2021—Break Up for Easter

April 20th 2021—Children Return to

School

May 3rd 2021—May Bank Holiday

May 10th—13th 2021—Y6 Sats

May 27th 2021- Break Up

June 8th 2021—Children Return to School

June 18th 2021—Father's Day Meal

July 22nd 2021—Break up for Summer

Times and dates may change due to circumstances beyond our control. These dates are also on the school calendar on the school website.



WEBSITE & App

Don't forget to look at our website & download our App www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk