



November 2020 Newsletter

Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back after the half term break. We hope you all had an enjoyable week with your children.

We know that this term will fly past and before we know it, we will be getting ready for Christmas!!

BIKES/SCOOTERS ON THE COURTYARD

Please be aware that bikes and scooters **should not** be ridden in the courtyard where you drop off your children—this is for health & safety reasons.

Thank You



HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD

Every half term children are awarded 'The Headteacher's Award'—this is awarded to children who have worked hard, have not lost any golden time and have a positive attitude all of the time. The children receive a £5 gift voucher and a certificate as a reward.

Follow the link for more detail:

<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/headteachers-award>



ATTENDANCE

So far this year the Sharks have had the highest attendance record and are above the national expectations for attendance with 97.9% attendance, although the Giraffes are close behind with 97.6%. Which class will be having a non-uniform day on the final day of term?

Attendance Figures up to date

Sharks (Mr Walmsley) - 97.9%

Giraffes (Mrs Marshall) - 97.6%

Koalas (Miss Johal) - 97.5%

Elephants (Miss Rowland) - 97.5%

Meerkats (Mr Scott) - 97.2%

Dragons (Mr Moss) - 97%

Sheep (Mrs Marsh) - 96.4%

HOLIDAYS

Please remember that we will only authorise holidays in exceptional circumstances. If you are going on holiday you must complete a holiday form (available from the office or download from the school website- [https://](https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/letters)

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REMINDER—STAYING SAFE

A big thank you to everybody for wearing masks when dropping off and picking up your child/ren. We understand that some adults are not able to wear a mask for personal/medical reasons, and we would ask these people to remain towards the back of the courtyard, near the gates.

It would also be appreciated if you could remain behind the white line. If you need to speak to the teacher, please do so from a distance or call the school office.

Many Thanks

BIKEABILITY

On Friday 2nd November, our older pupils took part in Bikeability—places were limited this year due to a cut in funding, so the majority of the places went to the Y6 children.

They spent the morning learning about how to ride safely but due to the poor weather conditions, were unable to continue into the afternoon. All children achieved their level 1 and will take their level 2 as soon as is safe to do so. Fingers crossed for better weather.



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to ...Lucas S, Isla M, Lottie M, James R, Jack J, Lydia H, Joe B, Owen L, Alana H, Alexia H, Allanah W, William B, Lizzie K, Reed S, Eva R, Tobi S-S, Athen E, Carina H, Arlo R, Liam M, Lincoln H, Ollie R, Bella P-T, Phoebe G, Layla P, Jenson T, Alveena F, Francesca G, Sanel K, Daisy H, Thomas C, Eile O, Riley C, Ronnie F, Kane A, Alice S, Sofia J, Acacia P, Georgia L, Hayley L, Brooke B, Jack B, Harrison B, Maya H, Charity J, Harry L, Jess M, Courtney O, Kallum P, Sasha P, Kayden P, Alex R, Alfie S, Logan Wi, Scarlett W, Jack H, Evie-May A, Frankie W, Joseph M, Jessica G, Katie C-M, Sophie L, Harvey J, Kirsty R, Eevee J, Esmae P, Logan C-R, Darcie Mae I, Logan T, Ferrari K, Jayden L, Jackson M & Sienna B...who have all had their names in the **Golden Book**.



EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Please note—off-site educational visits are usually connected with the current topic being taught—they therefore take place when the topic is being taught and not necessarily at the end of the academic year, however at the moment we have suspended all off-site visits until we feel it is safe.



CHRISTMAS

In spite of lockdown and COVID, we will not be cancelling Christmas this year—it will just be a little bit different. Our decisions may change as we adjust to the circumstances globally and we will keep you informed. Please rest assured we will make every effort to give children the festive fun they deserve.



Christmas Cards— Unfortunately this year the children will not be able to hand out Christmas cards in school. We have made this decision to limit the number of items being brought into school from home which in turn limits the risk of transmission of COVID-19.

Christmas Party— All key stages will be having a Christmas party in their bubbles this year. Dates are on the calendar. More details closer to the time.

KS2 Pantomime— KS2 will not be visiting Mansfield Theatre to watch a pantomime this year—instead we will hold a Christmas party for them in school.

Toy Day—The last day of term (Thursday 17th December 2020) is usually a toy day—this year we will not be asking children to bring in toys from home, instead we will provide the fun and games ourselves.

Christmas Performances

Unfortunately this year our children will not be able to perform a live Nativity play. Instead this year:

Nursery will be recording a Nativity performance which will be uploaded onto the class gallery.

Reception will be performing some Christmas songs in Makaton—this will be recorded and shared on the school App & website.

KS1 will be performing a short festive performance which will be filmed and posted on the school website.

If you do not wish your child to take part in the any performances this year due to them being recorded and posted on the school website, please contact school.

Christmas Dinners & Christmas Jumpers

We will be having our Christmas dinner on **Wednesday 16th December 2020**. If your child usually has sandwiches, please let us know if they will be having a Christmas dinner on this date. We will also all be wearing our Christmas jumpers on this day in place of our school jumpers.

SILVER PE AWARD

We were very pleased to receive our Silver School Games Mark again this year. The School Games Mark is a government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Participating in this process allows schools to evaluate their PE provision and assists them in developing an action plan for future progress.



BIG QUESTIONS FOR AUTUMN 2

Our Big Questions for the Autumn Term 2 are:

Nursery (Monkeys) - When will it snow?

Reception (Sheep) - Why are there so many leaves on the ground?

Year 1 (Elephants) — Why are humans not like tigers?

Year 2 (Meerkats) — Did Zog start the Great Fire of London?

Year 3 (Giraffes) — Would we be jelly without our skeleton?

Year 4 (Koalas) — What makes the Earth angry?

Year 5 (Dragons) — Are all the planets the same as the Earth?

Year 6 (Sharks) — Should everything in the world be equal?

Follow the link below for class website pages, timetables, newsletters, planning and galleries for each class: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages>

NUT ALLERGY

We now have TWO children in school who have an allergy to nuts—**this is a life-threatening condition and must be taken seriously.** Do

not send your child to school or nursery with any food (lunch or snack) that contains nuts (this includes Nutella.)



BLACK HISTORY WEEK

The week commencing 19th October 2020 was 'Black History Week' at Stonebroom Primary School. Black History Week provides a fantastic opportunity for us to recognise the outstanding contributions people of African and Caribbean descent have made in our lives.

FS— Usain Bolt

Y1—Mary Seacole

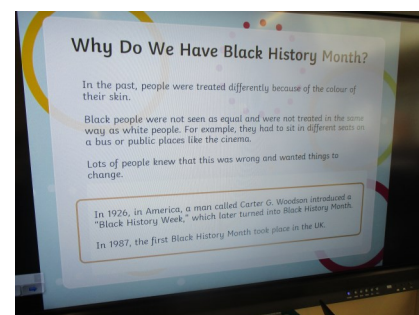
Y2—Rosa Parks

Y3—Michael Jordan

Y4—Simone Biles

Y5—Jonah Lomu

Y6—Tiger Woods



Please follow the link for more photographs:

<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/news-and-events/black-history-week-2020>

CHILDREN IN NEED

Children In Need Day will be **Friday 13th November**—we are inviting all staff and pupils to wear spots on this day for a £1.00 contribution per family.



THANK YOU - A KIND DONATION

We would like to thank the family who have very kindly donated some money for us to put towards buying some more books—it has been gratefully received and we will let you know when the books arrive in school.



DIARY DATES

November 13th 2020—Children In Need Day
November 20th 2020—Anti-Bullying Day
November 24th 2020—Y1 Forest School
November 26th 2020—Flu Immunisation Day
December 1st 2020—Y2 Forest School
December 14th 2020—Reception Christmas Party (pm)
December 15th 2020—KS1 Christmas Party (pm)
December 16th 2020—Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
December 16th 2020—Nursery Christmas party (am & pm)
December 17th 2020—Y3&4 Christmas party (am)
December 17th 2020—Y5&6 Christmas party (pm)
December 17th 2020—Nursery Polar Express Day
December 17th 2020—Break Up
January 4th 2021—Inset Day—The Curriculum
January 5th 2021—Children Return to School
January 6th 2021—Y6 Consultations
January 8th 2021—Bikeability—Part 2
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 (hopefully)
March 22nd –25th 2021—Kingswood Residential (hopefully—we are still awaiting confirmation)
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

We apologise for photographs being delayed due to lockdown—these will be reinstated as soon as possible.

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

For more details visit our website—www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk or download our School App for further information