



February 2023 Newsletter

# Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

*'Together Aspire, Together Achieve'*

Half term is here already! Can you believe we are halfway through the academic year? So far February has been a busy month— read on for more details.....

## MOTHER'S DAY

Our Mother's Day meal will be held on 17th March 2023.

Responses must be returned via Parentpay by 17th February in order for Jane, the school cook, to order the ingredients.

You should have already received your email with the details. If not, check your ParentPay account, or contact the school office.

We hope you can all join us.



## SPORTING EVENTS

**Invasion Festival:** In January, Mr Walmsley & Mrs Marshall took some children to an invasion festival—they really enjoyed themselves, and as usual, behaviour & attitude was fantastic. Follow the link for more details: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/sports/sports-inter-school>



**KS1 Agility:** Congratulations to our Y2 pupils who drew first place at the area KS1 agility competition, held at Alfreton Leisure Centre. They had to use running, catching, throwing and balancing skills. Behaviour was excellent. Well Done!



## PCSO WORKSHOPS

On 16th January and 24th January, our local PCSO visited the school to deliver some workshops to our children about keeping safe.

They discussed taking and sharing images online and the importance of consent. As usual, the children were very well-behaved and engaged, and enjoyed asking questions about a police officer's job. If they are worried, they should remember TAG (tell a grown up.) This can be remembered by holding their hand in front of them and putting the thumb down to represent us—the other 4 should be trusted adults—these include parents, carers, grandparents, wider family, teachers, school staff, police or other emergency services. They even learnt that police dogs are so intelligent that they can sniff out digital devices. Follow the link to find out more: Link: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/news-and-events/pcso-workshops-2023>



## Mr PEPPER DAYS

In January our Y6 pupils enjoyed a Mayan Day with Mr Pepper. He



showed them some videos and the children learned all about Mayan structures—they then discussed what life would be like if they were teleported back to Mayan times.



The children have produced a video, which can be viewed by following this link: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages/sharks-1/important-dates-9>

### SCHOOL DISCO

The children had a wonderful time at the school disco on 8th February 2023—many thanks to the FoS for organising this event.



### Y2 JAPAN DAY

Tuesday 7th February was 'Japan Day' in Y2. Their Big Question for this half term was, 'What would it be like to live in Japan?' On Japan Day, they dressed up, tasted Japanese food and took part in sumo wrestling competitions! Students from David Nieper Academy also came to help them with their learning. What a fantastic day.



Follow the link below for more photographs of the day:  
<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages/meerkats-1/gallery-19>

### PUPIL PARLIAMENT-STAYING POSITIVE

Pupil Parliament met at Westhouses school for a discussion on how to keep a positive mindset and look after your mental health. We looked at the effects of overloading your brain, as well as work around emotions. It was a fun, yet informative day and was lead fabulously by the members of Westhouses School Council—<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/pupil-voice>



### GIFTED & TALENTED Y5 SCIENTISTS

On Thursday 9th February, some of our Y5 pupils joined other local school children to take part in a gifted and talented science day at David Nieper. They had a fantastic time and found it really interesting.



### INTERNET SAFETY DAY

We celebrated 'Internet Safety Day' on Tuesday 7th February with the rest of the world. The slogan was, **'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'**. From gaming and chat, to streaming and video, young people are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of.

**Safer Internet Day 2023 was celebrated on 7th February 2023, with thousands of people across the UK working together to champion youth voice and engage in conversations about how we can all work together to make the internet a great and safe place.**

We also held a 'Keep Safe On The Internet' competition. The winners received books and their posters are displayed in the IT suite.



Follow the link for more details: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/news-and-events/online-safety-competition-2023>

### BIKEABILITY

Earlier this week our Y5 & Y6 children took part in their level 1 & level 2 bikeability training. The training develops skills for cycling on single-lane roads with simple junctions and moderate traffic and includes the core functions for safe and responsible cycling.



### RED NOSE DAY

Friday 17th March is Red Nose Day—we will be helping raise money for this worthwhile cause. More details to follow.





## GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to...Josh W, Ayda M, Allanah W, Olivia B, Travis P, William B, Brisben E, Arlo O, Gracie W, Lily L, Neave R, Bobby H, Sienna B, Macie W, Louie W, Mason S, Millicent R, Eevee J, Melek K, Jacob L, Dylan W, Horton M, Lola-Mai F, Isobelle H, Logan W, Brisben E, Grace S, Joseph F, Alana H, Jack S, Arlo R, Frank B, Joseph B, Aiemie J, Matilda C, Donte H, Amelia P, Mia G, Joseph M, Harriet P, Rhylee Y& Tille H, who have all been in the Golden Book.



## WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

Thursday 2nd March 2023 is World Book Day— we are inviting pupils and staff to dress up as book characters for the day whilst we indulge in a day of reading books, sharing stories and discussing characters and plots.



## ELEPHANT CLASS PARENT WORKSHOP



Last week family members of our Y1 pupils came in to complete more phonics work—this time they focussed on



split digraphs. They played games, created smiles, did some fast reading using cars and made split digraph hats. Follow the link for more details and photographs: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages/elephants/gallery-17>

## ATTENDANCE

Which class will win the non-school uniform day at the end of the term? The current standings are:

- 1st—Y2 — Meerkats (Mr Scott)
- 2nd—Y3 —Giraffes (Mrs Marshall)
- 3rd—Y1 —Elephants (Miss Rowland)
- 4th—Y6—Sharks (Mr Moss)
- 5th —Y4—Koalas (Mrs Marsh)
- 6th—Y5—Dragons (Miss Johal)
- 7th—Reception—Sheep (Mrs Kriel)



## STAFFING CHANGES

When we return after the Easter holidays (17th April 2023), Mr Walmsley will be the Y5 class teacher as Miss Johal moves on to pastures new. We wish her lots of luck for the future.



## BIG QUESTIONS FOR SPRING TERM 2

After half term our children will be asking:

Nursery—What happened to Jack's beans?

Reception—'Would you like to live with a dinosaur?'

Year 1—'How has Paddington Bear changed over time?'

Year 2—'Why were Grace Darling and Amelia Earhart brave people?'

Year 3—'Could our planet survive without plants?'

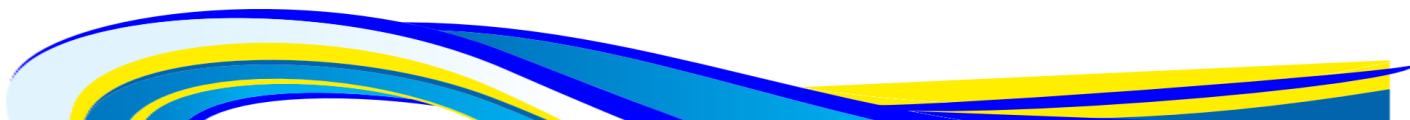
Year 4—'How can we discover the wonders of Ancient Egypt?'

Year 5—'What features make a perfect home for different creatures?'

Year 6—'What animals would make the most effective hybrid creature?'



Plans, vocabulary and newsletters will be available on the class website after half term: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages>



## ACADEMISATION

We will continue to keep you updated about the progress of our proposed academisation with Christopher Nieper Education Trust—CNET (formerly known as David Nieper Education Trust -DNET. )The consultation period is over and responses to all questions can be found by following the link: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/about-us/academisation>

Following the consultation period, the Governors have decided to proceed with joining CNET. More details to follow.



### DIARY DATES

**February 17th 2023**—Break Up  
**February 27th 2023**—Back to School  
**March 1st 2023**—Adam Pepper in Y2  
**March 2nd 2023**—World Book Day  
**March 8th 2023**—Y4 Joint Concert at David Nieper  
**March 17th 2023**—Red Nose Day  
**March 17th 2023**—Mother's Day Meal  
**March 20th—24th 2023**—Y5&6 Residential to Kingswood  
**March 22nd 2023**—Y1 Parent Workshop  
**March 23rd 2023**—Y1 Drive In Cinema  
**March 27th & 28th 2023**- Parent's Evenings  
**March 30th 2023**—Rock Steady Concert  
**March 30th & 31st 2023**—Egg Decorating Competition  
**March 31st 2023**—Break Up for Easter  
**April 17th 2023**—Children Return to School

**April 18th 2023**—Adam Pepper in Y3  
**April 18th 2023**—F2&KS1 Trip to Theatre  
**April 19th 2023**—Y6 Parent Meeting for Leiden (at Shirland)  
**April 26th 2023**—Kingswood Meeting for current Y4 & Y5 parents—3.30pm  
**May 8th 2023**—Bank Holiday—School Closed  
**May 9th—11th 2023**—KS2 Sats Week  
**May 16th 2023**—Adam Pepper in Nursery  
**May 25th 2023**—Children Break Up  
**May 26th 2023**—Staff Inset Day  
**June 5th 2023**—Inset Day  
**June 6th 2023**—Children Return  
**June 6th—9th 2023**—Local History Week  
**June 7th, 8th, 9th 2023**—Y6 Trip to Leiden  
**June 12th 2023**—Y1 Phonics Screening Week  
**June 14th 2023**—Y5 Enterprise Day at David Nieper  
**June 16th 2023**—Father's Day Meal

**June 27th—30th June 2023**—Y6 Transition to Tibshelf Community School  
**June 29th & 30th 2023**—Y6 Transition to David Nieper  
**July 4th 2023**—Reception & KS1 Sports Day (am)  
**July 5th 2023**—Nursery Sports Day  
**July 6th 2023**—KS2 Sports Day  
**July 11th 2023**—Transition Morning (whole school)  
**July 13th 2023** - Y6 Production  
**July 16th 2023**—Y6 to Twinlakes (provisional date)  
**July 20th 2023**—Rock Steady Concert (am)  
**July 21st 2023**—Y6 Leaver's Assembly  
**July 21st 2023**—Children Break Up  
**September 4th & 5th**—Inset Days  
**Wednesday 6th September 2023**—Children Return to School



## WEBSITE

Don't forget to look at our website where you will find the latest class newsletter and SEN Information.

<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/>