



October 2023 Newsletter

Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

'Together Aspire, Together Achieve'

We are already over halfway through our first half term and it has been a very busy one. Sheep class (Miss Lee's class) have enjoyed being in school all day and have coped very well with the transition from Nursery to Reception.

Read on to find out what we have been up to.....

RECEPTION CLASS START TIME

Reminder—Reception children (sheep class) now come in with the rest of the school from 8.45am. School doors are open from 8.45am to 8.55am. **Once the doors close, then your child is officially late for school.**



ART DAY



5th & 6th October were 'Art Days' at Stonebroom. We held extra art lessons in school and worked with the children teaching them how to use a variety of media to create Jean Michel

Basquiat reproductions. Also, every child will be producing a

self-portrait on a tile, which will be

displayed in the hall. What a wonderful couple of days...and a big thank you to Miss Walton for organising & teaching the whole event.



TRUST CONVERSION

On 1st October 2023, we officially became members of the Christopher Nieper Education Trust CNET.

Follow the link for more information: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/about-us/cnet>

CHRISTOPHER NIEPER
EDUCATION TRUST

PARENT SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you for completing the parent survey in June. Overall, the results were really positive and we have been working hard to act upon your suggestions for improvement.

99% feel that teaching is good, that their child feels safe and secure, that the school is well led and well managed and know what to do if their child has any concerns.

A couple of parents mentioned that the children receive too much homework—this has been acted upon and homework expectations have been reduced (although we still expect children to read at home.) We have also added extra homework club times including; before school, lunchtime and after school.

The toilets were also mentioned (and to be fair, the boys toilets are over 60 years old!) Both toilets were completely refurbished over the summer holidays. We are now looking at replacing the flooring outside the toilets.

Once again—thank you for completing the survey—we do listen and we do care.

GOLD SPORT AWARD

We are very proud to announce that we have been awarded the **GOLD** school games award. This is the first time that we have achieved this award.



Y5&6 DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT



On Thursday 5th October, our Y5&6 pupils went to Tibshelf to play in an inter school dodgeball tournament.

They came a very creditable 2nd place!

Y5&6 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

On 20th September 2023, our Y5&6 pupils took part in a local tournament—they came 2nd overall. Well Done!!



MINI FIRST AID CLASSES IN Y5 & Y6

On September 28th 2023, our Y2, Y5 & Y6 children attended first aid classes. The classes are designed for these age groups and fulfil the requirements of the National Curriculum and more.

In Y5&6 the children are more independent and are taught to understand and administer basic and emergency first aid.

The 2 hour session covered:

- How to administer CPR
 - Choking
 - Bumps
 - Burns
 - Breaks
 - Bleeding

The sessions were hands-on which involved plenty of practical and fun activities to keep the children engaged in learning first aid, whilst teaching them life-saving skills.



The lessons will be repeated every year to pupils in Y2, 5&6.

Follow the link for more information about Mini First Aid: <https://www.minifirstaid.co.uk>

ONLINE SAFETY TRAINING FOR PUPILS, STAFF & PARENTS

On Tuesday 19th September, Traci Good (Director of E Safety Training Ltd) visited our school to teach both pupils and staff how to stay safe online.

It became very apparent over the day with Traci that our pupils are more capable and knowledgeable than most adults when it comes to being online – we are constantly striving to catch up.

Since lockdown, many of our children have spent much more time than usual on the internet and every now and again they need reminding how to stay safe.

From a very early age, children in our school have access to the internet, whether this is through smart phones, iPads, smart televisions, Alexa, consoles etc.



The children told us that they are spending their time watching/posting on Tik-Tok (some of them are posting/watching TikTok live), Snapchat, Roblox, Youtube, Instagram, Minecraft, GTA, Whatsapp, Facetime, Discord, Fortnite, Twitter, Twitch, Youtube Instant, etc.

Please, please make sure you know what your child is doing online and who they are chatting to.



We followed up this work by carrying out a parent survey to find out whether parents & carers would be interested in attending a meeting/workshop and when would be a convenient time to set this up. We did not have anybody show an interest in this, however we will continue to ask.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On 29th September 2023, we invited parents & carers to pop into the children's centre for a coffee and a cake—all proceeds went to Macmillan Cancer Support.



We were overwhelmed with the support given by the local community whether this was through donating cakes, visiting the children's centre or giving your child money to spend on cakes.



We raised £360 in total, which all went to Macmillan Cancer Support. For more details as to how your donation is used, follow the link: <https://coffee.macmillan.org.uk/>



BIKES & SCOOTERS

Please do not allow your child to ride their bikes/scooters on the school courtyard/playground before and after school as this is considered a health & safety hazard — thank you.



Y6 TO LEIDEN

The Y6 trip to Leiden is now live. The dates will be 5th—7th June 2024 and the cost will be a maximum of £240 per child.

All Y6 families should have received all information, however the link will take you to the Leiden page on our school website.



Follow the link for all information: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/>

BIG QUESTIONS FOR AUTUMN 2

Our Big Questions for the Autumn Term 2 are:

Nursery (Monkeys) - Why do the leaves fall from the tree?

Reception (Sheep) - Would a polar bear make a good pet at Stonebroom Primary & Nursery School?

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

Year 2 (Meerkats) — Which continent is the best home for Sunny the Meerkat?

Year 3 (Giraffes) — What makes a river, a river?

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

Year 5 (Dragons) — How are the other planets different from the Earth?

Year 6 (Sharks) - Could we survive if we were transported back to Viking times?

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>

Follow this link for more information about our curriculum: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/about-us/curriculum>

PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Parent Consultation Evening will take place on 23rd & 24th October 2023. All bookings must be made online. Please contact school if you are unable to make an appointment or unable to attend and we will try and find an alternative time and date.



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to Olivia B, Lily L, Lola-Mai F, Seth K, Jack S, Hayden R, Alys-sa S, Lilly W, Georgia L, Lizzy K, Al-veena F, James R, Carter H, Rory K, Horton M, Sophia B, Freddy H & Isla M...who have all had their names in the **Golden Book. Well Done!**



Y6 APPLICATIONS

If your child is currently in Y6 you **MUST** apply by midnight on 31st October 2023 to get them a place at secondary school.

Apply online at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions or call 01629 533190

Both local schools (DNA & TCS) were fully subscribed this year (2023), therefore you must apply by this date or risk not gaining a place & please make sure you put down more than one school option.

CHILDREN IN NEED

On **17th November 2023** we will be once again supporting Children In Need. We will be selling CIN merchandise on the playground and also inviting children and staff to **wear spots** for a donation of £1.00 per family.



Y3&4 VISIT TO HAMPTON COURT

On Wednesday 27th September, the children in Y3&4 had a memorable day out when they visited Hampton Court in the London Bor-

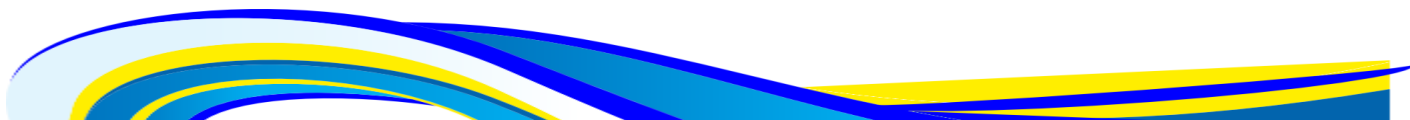


ough of Richmond upon Thames. Hampton Court was the home of Henry VIII and the Tudor dynasty and includes a palace, magnificent gardens and a maze.



We had such a fantastic day and were complimented about our behaviour by the staff at Hampton Court.

Follow the link for more information about the day: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages/giraffes-1/gallery-16>



FRIENDS of STONEBROOM (FoS) FAMILY FUN NIGHT

As promised, the FOS family fun night has been rearranged and will take place on Friday 13th October.

Last year every child in the school benefited greatly from our funds, therefore we are hoping for another successful year of fundraising.

Join us for our family fun night at the **community centre**. There will be a quiz delivered by the wonderful Rob , followed by bingo for both the children and adults. Each ticket includes a hot dog and there will be soft drinks and tuck shop snacks on offer to buy. You can bring your own alcohol along too.

We hope to see lots of you there.



DIARY DATES

Need Day

March 15th 2024—Red Nose Day

October 11th 2023—Individual Photo Day

November 22nd 2023— Adam Pepper Day in Nursery

March 18th—22nd 2024—Y5&6 Residential to Kingswood

October 12th 2023—Elephant (Y1) Class Pirate Party

December 5th 2023—Flu Jabs

March 25th & 26th 2024- Parent's Evenings

October 13th 2023—Stonebroom Family Fun

December 7th 2023—Polar Express Film Night

March 26th 2024—Adam Pepper Day in Y3

October 19th 2023—Y3 Tudor Day

December 12th & 13th 2023—Nativity Play for Reception & KS1

March 28th 2024—Egg Decorating Competition

October 23rd-27th 2023—Black History Week

December 13th 2023—KS2 Panto

March 29th 2024—Break Up for Easter

October 23rd & 24th 2023—Parent's Evening

December 19th 2023—FoS Christmas Fayre

April 15th 2024—Children Return to School

October 24th 2023—Y6 to Jorvik

December 21st 2023—Last Day of School for Children.

May 13th—16th 2024—KS2 Sats Week

October 26th 2023—Elephant (Y1) Class Phonics Pet Treat

December 22nd 2023—Inset Day

May 24th 2024—Break Up

October 26th 2023—FoS—Halloween Disco

January 8th 2024—Children Return

June 3rd 2024—Inset Day—School Closed to Pupils

October 27th 2023—Break Up

January 12th 2024—Inset Day—School Closed to Children

June 4th 2024—Local History Week

November 6th 2023—Children Return

January 17th 2024—Y6 parent Consultation Meeting

June 5th 2024—Y6 to Leiden

November 8th 2023—Y1 Parent Phonics Workshop

February 6th 2024— Safer Internet Day

June 14th 2024—Father's Day Meal

November 13th 2023—Y5 to National Space Centre

February 19th 2024—Break Up

July 23rd 2024—Last Day of School

November 13th-17th 2023— Anti-Bullying Week

February 26th 2024—Back to School

March 7th March 2024—World Book Day

Follow the link for the school calender:

November 17th 2023—Children In

March 8th 2024—Mother's Day Meal

March 14th 2024—Adam Pepper Day in Reception

https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/pages/calendar/index?calendar_id=7614

WEBSITE

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

www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk