



March 2024 Newsletter

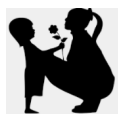
Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

'Together Aspire, Together Achieve'

Spring is definitely in the air, with the lighter mornings and warmer weather.

It was lovely to see you all in school on March 8th at our Mother's Day meal.

Read on to see what we have been doing.....



FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM MRS GEORGE

I have really enjoyed writing these newsletters for the past eleven years and it is with mixed emotions that I write my final one! I can't believe that I have less than three weeks before my retirement-the time has flown by!

Firstly, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the unwavering support and trust that you have extended to me throughout my time as the headteacher of this wonderful school. It has been an absolute privilege and joy to work with your children and witness their growth, academic achievements, and personal development over the years.

I have been so lucky to be Headteacher at Stonebroom Primary & Nursery School. I have enjoyed coming to school every single day because it really has been such a pleasure to work here. The school has a wonderful reputation in the community and beyond, which is down to the hard work of everyone.

As one would expect with running a school, there have been quite a few dramatic situations, not least when the school caught fire in 2014, with staff and pupils still inside! It didn't help that the fire service were on strike that day—however, we all pulled together and were able to re-open two days later (although it was another 6 months before that part of the school was back in use.)

Finally, I would just like to say a massive THANK YOU to parents and carers for the support and friendship over the years. I have worked in a few schools over the past 35 years, not one of them has been as much fun and enjoyable to work at. I will miss you all, particularly the happy smiling faces of the children and the laughter we share every day.

Mrs George

Y4 PERFORMANCE AT DAVID NIEPER

On Wednesday 6th March 2024 our Y4 children were invited to attend David Nieper Academy to take part in a performance with other local schools. We were with Fritchley, Woodbridge, David Nieper Academy, Croft Infant School & Alfreton Park. We arrived at 3pm and all went to the concert room to rehearse together. We were then given a maths lesson, taught by one of the David Nieper teachers—this was followed by an individual rehearsal.

When the parents arrived at 5.30pm we were the first school to perform, we then watched the other schools. Finally all the schools took to the stage and



sang a collection of songs together. We had a wonderful time and as usual, behaviour was superb. We were proud to belong to Stonebroom Primary & Nursery School.

MOTHER'S DAY MEAL

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend our Mother's Day lunch on March 8th 2024.



Thanks to the hard work of the kitchen staff, the midday supervisors, Y6 pupils and staff, we hopefully made the day special for you and your child.

For more photographs please visit: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/news-and-events/mothers-day-2024-1>

PUPIL ONLINE SAFETY SURVEY

As part of International Safer Internet Day, our children completed a survey about their online habits, with very interesting results.

EYFS, Y1 & Y2

- 80% of pupils age 4-7 use the internet at home.
- Social media websites/apps they use include; Tik Tok, Instagram, YouTube, videos.
- Over 50% of 4-7 year olds have their own phones.
- Over 50% pupils don't think that their parents know what they do online.
- 76% children know who to speak to/ know what to do if they don't feel safe online.
- 15% have seen something online that upset them.
- 10% of 6&7 year olds have played online games with people they have not met in real life.

Y3-6

- All children in KS2 use the internet at home.
- 98% are aware that they have had lessons about safety at school.
- 67% parents don't ask their children what they are doing online and do not check their appliances.
- 35% children know how to change the privacy settings on social media websites (this was mostly Y5&6)
- 15% children have seen things online that have upset them.
- 3% share photos and location online.
- 98% children know who they can speak to if they have any problems or issues online.
- 34% children have received bullying or nasty messages or photos via social media (mostly Y5&6)
- 98% understand that online bullying is just as harmful and upsetting as bullying in the real world.
- 3% wake in the night to check their mobile phones.
- 87% children understand that not all information on the internet is true.
- 47% children have time limits on their screen time (mostly Y3&4).
- 45% children state that online gaming is their main hobby.
- 75% play games online with people they have not met in real life.
- 38% chat with strangers when playing games

- 98% children are aware of the risks when online.

We have discussed some of these issues with the pupils and made sure that EVERY child knows what to do if they have any concerns at all/ do not feel safe online.

Please discuss your child's online habits with them and make sure you know what they are doing online and who they are talking to.

We would advise that children do not take their mobile phones to bed with them.

Support and guidance: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> OR <https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 7th March 2024 was World Book Day and we all dressed up as book characters and took part in a carousel of literacy based activities in the morning. A great day was had by all.



Follow the link to see more photographs: [https://](https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/news-and-events/world-book-day-2024)



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HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Congratulations to all pupils who were presented with the Headteacher's award for the last half term. We are really proud of these children—well done!

Follow the link to find out who was presented with the award for Spring Term 1: [https://](https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/headteachers-award)



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GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to Millicent R, Reggie S, Amelia W, Reggie M, Athen E, Freddy H, Elissia W, Henry B, Noah B, Declan S, Ava W, Vincent S, Daisy R-D, Arthur B, Sienna B, Oscar B-J & Izamaria M who

have all appeared in the Golden Book since the last newsletter—Well Done!!



BIG QUESTIONS FOR SUMMER TERM 1

After half term our children will be asking:

Nursery—'Is there a monster under my bed?'

Reception—'Which animals would you see in Stonebroom?'

Year 1—'Who would have lived in a medieval castle?'

Year 2—'What would Katie Morag find exciting about Stonebroom?'

Year 3—'Was everything in the Stone Age made from stone?'

Year 4—'Would you prefer to live in the UK or South America?'

Year 5—'How did the Anglo-Saxons change Britain?'

Year 6—'Y6 Sats—Good or bad for children?'

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

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GREEK DAY IN Y5

In February our Y5 class all dressed up as as Greeks and enjoyed being Ancient Greeks for the day. They made fantastic Parthenons, tasted some Greek food, found out what life was like for a Greek child and some very brave parents joined them at the end of the school day for the Olympics!



[https://](https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages/dragons-1/gallery-15)

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GOLDEN TABLE

These children were on the Golden Table in February 2024.

They have shown excellent behaviour, manners and attitude at lunchtimes throughout the Spring Term 1. We are really proud of them.



KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIAL 2025

After Easter we will be sending out the correspondence via Microsoft Forms to families who are interested in sending their child to Kingswood in 2025. Please complete to show that you are interested—you will then be invited to attend a meeting at school to discuss further details. The meeting will be held on Thursday 25th April at 3.30pm in the school hall.



Nursery—Y5 PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING

Parent Consultation Evening will take place on the 25th & 26th March for parents/carers of children from Nursery to Y5. Appointments will be made via the school website—the booking page is open and your login details have been sent to you via email.



EGG DECORATING COMPETITION

Don't forget—bring your decorated eggs into school on the morning of Thursday 28th March 2024. There will be prizes for each class. Follow the link to see some of last years entries:

<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/news-and-events/easter-egg-decorating-competition-2023>



DIARY DATES

May 13th—16th 2024—KS2 Sats Week

May 13th—17th 2024—Mental Health Awareness Week

May 23rd 2024—Y6 Leiden Children to Meet Children from Newton & Shirland.

May 24th 2024—Break Up

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

June 4th 2024—Children return to School

June 4th—7th 2024—Local History & Geography Week

June 4th—7th June 2024—Y4 Multiplication Check Week

June 5th 2024—Y6 to Leiden

June 14th 2024—Father's Day Meal

June 19th 2024—Y5 Enterprise Day at DNA

June 24th—26th 2024—Y6 Tibshelf Transition

June 27th—28th 2024—Y6 DNA

Transition

July 2nd 2024—Reception & KS1 Sports Day

July 3rd 2024—KS2 Sports Day

July 3rd 2024—Nursery Sports Day

July 4th 2024—Y1 Adam Pepper Day

July 8th—12th 2024—Enterprise Week

July 18th 2024—Y6 Production

July 22nd 2024—Y6 to Twin Lakes

July 23rd 2024—Last Day of School

September 5th 2024—Children Return to School

Dates and times may vary and may be subject to change



WEBSITE

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

www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk