



September 2017 Newsletter



Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to school and the start of another year. We hope that you have had an enjoyable summer and that the children have rested well and are now ready for another 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 - www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk. The website also contains useful information including the monthly school newsletter. Our Facebook page is also available to keep you up to date.

There are a few changes within the school: **Miss Gill will be teaching in F2 and there is an extra class in KS2 which will be taught by Miss Steeples.** Mrs. George remains Head Teacher and Mrs Kaye 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.

We would also like to **introduce you to Mrs Dillon, our Pastoral Officer, who will be looking closely at our attendance, and following up any concerns that we may have.**

Danny Williams, our caretaker, has done a fantastic job over the summer break, protecting all of the wooden structures and returning the former Children's Centre back to its former glory.

Can you also ensure that the school office is informed of any changes to your contact details so that we can update the school data base. This will ensure you receive information via the school texting service. We use the service to inform parents of changes to events, absences, school closures etc.

SWIMMING

Only Y5 will be swimming this year—every Monday afternoon.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Don't forgetour breakfast club is open **Monday to Friday, 7.45am – 8.55am**. The cost of the breakfast club is £2.00 per day.

Please do not send your child to breakfast club before 7.45am as there will not be a member of staff available.

The breakfast club now has its own entrance and car park off the High Street. You will not be able to access breakfast club from the school car park.

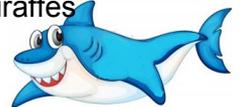
If you would like your child to attend breakfast club (open to all pupils at the school) then please contact the school office.



CLASS NAMES

This year, class names will be:

- F1—Mrs Beresford—Monkeys
- F2—Miss Gill—Sheep
- Y1—Mrs Touray/Mrs Bowes—Tigers
- Y2—Mr Scott—Meerkats
- Y3—Miss Steeples—Koalas
- Y4—Mrs Kaye—Dragons
- Y5—Mrs Hobot/Miss Blakey—Giraffes
- Y6—Mr Walmsley—Sharks



30 HOUR PROVISION

DON'T FORGET—we now offer 30 hour provision in F1 (nursery). See Mrs Beresford or enquire at the school office for more details.



NEW WEBSITE

When you log on to our website you will see a big difference. The address has stayed the same, however the appearance has been completely revamped and it is completely up to date. You will be able to access class letters, newsletters, latest news, important dates etc from the website.

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:

Levi F—Highest School Attainer

Karis W—Most Progress Throughout KS2

Lucy K & Mabel R—Overall Contribution to School Life



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, plimsolls or trainers.

Please contact school if you have any issues or problems purchasing the correct uniform. 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.

GOLD SEPTEMBER DAY



Don't forget that **Friday 22nd September** is Gold September Day—we are asking **all pupils to dress up as a Superhero for charity (£1.00 per family.)**

See www.goldseptember.com for more details.

CHANGE TO HOLIDAY POLICY

Following the recent court ruling, our Governors have had to make important changes to our attendance policy.

Parents and carers will have to apply in writing to the headteacher should they wish to take their child out of school for a holiday— a form is available from the office.

A holiday will only be authorised in **two** circumstances:

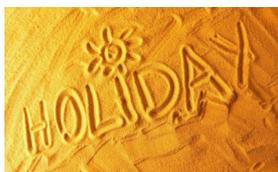
1. In exceptional circumstances (as deemed by the Headteacher)

OR

2. The holiday was booked before this newsletter was published and the parent/carer can provide evidence of this.

We are unable to authorise holidays that do not meet at least one of the above criteria. Unfortunately you are likely to incur a fine from D.C.C. if you take a holiday that is unauthorised.

Attendance leaflets are available from the school entrance leaflet stand and the school attendance policy is on our updated website.



ATHLETICS WINNERS

July 2017 saw us host the annual inter-school athletics competition on our school field. We were against Pilsley, Westhouses, Newton, Morton, Tibshelf & Blackwell.

All children performed well and Pilsley School especially sent some exceptional athletes, however our school team, which was made up from pupils in Y3,4,5 & 6, were superb, taking the title for the fourth year in a row.



Well done & many thanks to all who attended, including all of the pupils, staff & parents.

SNACKS AT BREAK TIME

Just a reminder that we have a snack policy. At break time we only allow children to eat fruit, which they can bring with them or purchase from the school tuck shop for 20p.

Friday is 'Free Friday' and children can bring any snack of their choice, or again, can purchase a snack from the tuck shop.



SAFEGUARDING

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

Mrs George
Mrs Beresford
Mrs Kaye

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.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Congratulations to Bradley P, Santiago K, Libby W, Jessica M, Jezemi K, Darcey I & William B who all won Headteacher's award in July 2017.

To win Headteacher's Award, children must have shown excellent behaviour, a positive attitude, been polite and have displayed excellent manners throughout the half term. Any child who has ever won a Headteacher's Award should be very proud of themselves indeed.



GOLDEN TABLE

Every term, children who have displayed excellent behaviour and manners at lunchtime throughout the half term, are invited to sit at the Golden Table.

Congratulations to Harry S-T, Libby W, Thomas M, Paul W, Isobelle H, Blake M, Brayden C & Jackson M who were invited to sit at the Golden Table in July.



CLUBS AT STONEBROOM

We are very lucky at Stonebroom to be able to offer a large variety of clubs. This term we will be offering:

Monday

Breakfast Club—7.45am (£2.50)
Football Club –lunchtimes (F2-Y6)
Dance & Gym—3.25pm—4.30pm (Y3)
Homework Club—3.25pm—4.30pm (Y3-Y6)

Tuesday

Breakfast Club – 7.45am (£2.50)
Maths Club – lunchtimes (F2-Y6)
Football –3.25pm – 4.30pm (£3.00)

Wednesday

Breakfast Club – 7.45am (£2.50)
Sewing Club—lunchtimes (Y3-6)
Choir—3.25pm— 5.00pm (Y2-6)

Thursday

Breakfast Club – 7.45am (£2.50)
Internet Club –lunchtimes (KS2)
Dance Club—3.25pm—4.30pm (F2-Y6)
Golden Mile Club –3.25pm—4.30pm (F2—Y6)

Friday

Breakfast Club – 7.45am (£2.50)
Football Club –lunchtimes(F2-Y6)
Dodgeball League—3.25pm—
4.30pm (KS2)

Letters will be sent out shortly with more details
(Times and dates may vary due to weather conditions etc.)

A big thank you to all our club leaders.



GARDENING CLUB

This year we will also be introducing a Gardening Club, run by Karen Waldram, a qualified gardener from Pilsley.

To start with, Karen will work with some of our Y5 children in lesson time, we are then hoping to develop this project into an After School Gardening Club.



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 £2.00 per day for children in Y3,4,5 & 6 unless they receive free dinners.

If you think you may be eligible for free school meals or would like to know how to get free school meals, please contact the school office or ring County on **01629 53648** or complete the application form online at **www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals**. Claiming free school meals, if you are eligible, means more money for school which in turn means more resources for your children.



WELCOME TO.....

Norbert, Norris & Ned—our new residents in our Forest School. Norbert, Norris & Ned are dwarf goats and have moved into the goat pen which is situated next to Olive the pig. During Forest Schools our pupils will learn how to look after our animals, as well as everyday survival skills.



DIARY DATES—2017-18

September 22nd 2017—Gold September Day (Dress Up as a Superhero)

September 20th 2017—Math's Morning

October 9th & 10th 2017—Parent's Consultation Evening

October 16th 2017—Book Week

October 20th 2017—Dress Up For Book Week

October 20th 2017—Break Up for Half Term

October 30th 2017 —Back to School

October 30th 2017 —Multi-Cultural Week

November 24th 2017—Anti-Bullying Day

December 13th 2017—KS2 Visit to Pantomime

December 19th 2017—Break Up for Christmas

January 2nd 2018—Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

January 3rd 2018—Back to School

January 24th 2018—Science Morning

February 16th 2018—Break Up for Half Term

February 26th 2018—Back to School

March 9th 2018—Mother's Day Meal

March 19th 2018—Kingswood Week (Y5&6)

March 23rd 2018—Easter Egg Competition

March 23rd 2018—Break Up for Easter

April 9th 2018—Back to School

April 9th 2018—Safety Week

April 16th 2018—Parents Evening (YF2—Y5)

May 7th 2018—Bank Holiday Monday

May 14th 2018—Y6 Key Stage 2 Tests

May 24th 2018—Break Up for Half Term

May 25th 2018—Inset Day

June 4th 2018—Back to School

June 5th 2018—Y5 Enterprise Day at David Nieper

June 15th 2018—Father's Day Meal

June 18th 2018—Healthy Living Week

June 26th & 27th 2018— David Nieper Transition Days

June 29th 2018—Cluster Inset Day (school closed to pupils)

July 20th 2018— Children Break Up for Summer (These dates are subject to change)

Brass Instrument Tuition continues every Tuesday morning with Mrs Salt.



WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

Don't forget to look at our website & Facebook Page

www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk