



November 2017 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!!

### MEET THE STAFF

This month we will meet Miss Steeples. Miss Steeples started working at Stonebroom in September 2017, teaching our Y3 pupils. She graduated from Sheffield Hallam University in July. Miss Steeples lives in Sutton-In-Ashfield. She enjoys travelling and going out for meals.



### SKIPPING DAY

Wednesday 11th October 2017 was skipping day at Stonebroom Primary School. Each class took part in a skipping workshop and the children were taught different ways to skip, skipping games and skipping rhymes. Children were also given the opportunity to buy the skipping ropes.

We also bought ropes for the school, which are available for the children to use at break time and lunchtime. There are more photographs available to look at on the school website



[www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk](http://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk)—Parents—  
News & Events—Skipping Day

We have more skipping ropes available to buy from the school office at a cost of £4.00 each.

### ATTENDANCE

So far this year the Koalas have had the highest attendance record and are above the national expectations for attendance with 98.3% attendance, although the Sharks are close behind with 96.2%. Which class will be having a non uniform day on the final day of term?

#### Attendance Figures up to date

**Koalas (Miss Steeples)- 98.3%**

**Sharks (Mr Walmsley) – 96.2%**

**Meerkats (Mr Scott) – 95.4%**

**Dragons (Mrs Kaye)– 94.4%**

**Giraffes (Miss Blakey/Mrs Hobot) – 93.8%**

**Tigers (Mrs Touray/Mrs Bowes) – 93.7%**

**Sheep (Miss Gill)—93.6%**

### HEAD TEACHER'S AWARD

Every half term children are awarded The Head Teacher'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. For Autumn 2 term the rewards went to Ella-Louise H, Kian W, Owen P, Jack B, Kaden W, Lincoln H, Sophie L & Arlo O.



Well done!

## Y6 VISIT TO KINGS LYNN—STOCKCAR RACING

On Saturday 21st October 2017, Mr Walmsley took some Y6 pupils to the Adrian Flux Arena to watch the 'Shootout Round 7' stock car racing event at Kings Lynn. Since the start of the academic year they have been following the BriSCA F1 National Points Shootout and have applied stock car racing to all areas of the curriculum—the aim of this educational visit was to bring the whole experience to life.

Arriving at 4.30pm, the children went to look around the pits, meeting their favourite shootout drivers. The drivers spent lots of time with the children, signing their posters, having photographs taken with them and answering questions. The children then went to meet Team Hunter, who very kindly gave each child a pack of top trump cards and allowed the children to look around the tour bus.

Once the meeting started, the children took their seats and cheered on their favourite cars, using the air horns to help them!

Finally, towards the end of the evening, our children were allowed to go around the track on the truck and then they presented the trophies to the winning drivers. Two of the drivers even donated their trophies to our school!

Many thanks go to: Dave Peters of Dave Peters Ltd & Harrison's of Preston for donating money to the school to make the visit more affordable; Colin Caserly for supplying the school with photos of each shootout driver, free of charge; Team Hunter for giving every child a pack of Top Trumps cards; to all the drivers for taking the time to talk to our children; to Trackstar, Kings Lynn, for making the visit such a success and finally to the staff (Mr Walmsley) and Governors for providing the experience for our pupils.

However, we must also say a big congratulations to our pupils for their fantastic behaviour on the trip. It was even commented on



Facebook by a member of the public who was sat in front of them!

More photographs are available on the school website—[www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk](http://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk)—pupils - class pages-sharks-gallery-stock car trip

## MULTI-CULTURAL WEEK

The week commencing 30th October was Multi-Cultural Week, with the classes all studying different countries and cultures.

Monkeys (Nursery)— England

Sheep (Miss Gill) - Wales

Tigers (Mrs Touray/Mrs Bowes) - Kenya

Meerkats (Mr Scott) - Mexico

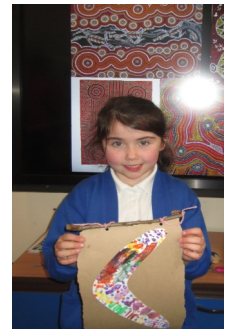
Koalas (Miss Steeples) - Australia

Dragons (Mrs Kaye) - China

Giraffes (Miss Blakey/Mrs Hobot) - Greece

Sharks (Mr Walmsley) - Ethiopia

The week finished with a whole school celebration of our learning.



## GOLDEN TABLE

On the Golden table in October were Ella S, Kaden W, Charlie B, Sasha P, Evie May A, Danielle H, Lyndon W & Travis P



These children have shown excellent behaviour, manners and attitude at lunchtimes throughout the Autumn Term.



### PARENT/TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

Many thanks to the PTA for organising and running the Hallowe'en disco. Some of the costumes were amazing!

The date of the Christmas Disco has been set for **5th December** and the date for the Christmas Fair has been set for the **12th December 2017**.

The PTA are always looking for new members. Please contact Mr Walmsley or Lesley Naylor (Governor & Chair of PTA) for more details.

### CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Both the Giraffes (Miss Blakey's/Mrs Hobot's Class) & Meerkats (Mr Scott's Class) have performed class assemblies for their parents & carers.

The Giraffes entertained us by dancing and playing ocarinas and the Meerkats told us all about the story of The Dot and about resilience—both performances were excellent, entertaining and a pleasure to watch.



### BOOK WEEK

Book week proved to be a great success with each class studying a book in detail over the week.

On Friday morning everybody (including staff) had the chance to dress up as a book character – this was judged by the Governors, with the most successful entrants receiving a small prize.

Following the book character parade, our children then took part in a book morning round robin, visiting different classrooms and taking part in a variety of activities.

Congratulations to Alex P (3 Little Pigs), Bailey R-D (Stick Man), Lucy B (Wizard of Oz), Raygen S (Pinocchio), Ruby H (Room on a Broom), Joseph M (Hungry Caterpillar), Thomas B (3 Little Pigs), Isobelle H (Queen of Hearts) who won the class competitions.



Many thanks to the Governors for judging and to you, the parents, for once again supporting the school and pupils by taking part in our curriculum events.

More photographs to be found on:

[www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk](http://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk)—Parents—News & Events—Book Day 2017

### BOOK FAIR

The school book fair will run Monday 20th November –Thursday 23rd November—8.50am—9.10am and 3.30pm—4.15pm.



### CHILDREN IN NEED

Children In Need day will be **Friday 17th November**—we are inviting all staff and pupils to wear spots on this day for a £1.00 contribution. We will also be selling the CIN merchandise from 13th November—this will include: Pin Badges—£1.00, Wrist Bands—£1.00, Blush & Pudsey ears—£2.50.

The **Children's Centre will also be opening for a Parent & Toddler session on this date. Details attached. Use High Street entrance.**



### GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to Kallum P, Logan C-R, Logan D-T, Evie G, Corin P, Paul W, Scarlett W, Bradley P, Michael B, Courtney W, Henry H, Jessica G, Evie-May A, Amelia H, Jezemi K, Harry S-T, Tobi S-S, Huey C, Alfie B-J, Rio B, Ruby H, Joshua P, Skye O, Frankie W, Evie-Grace R, Logan W, Eve S, Jason D, Phoebe M, Blake W, Millie W, Travis P, Gracie-Jane W, Brisben E, Cady-Leigh N, Serenity M, Joe B, Charlotte M, Lincoln H, Milo C, Logan S, Amber R-D, Ellie-Mai P, Maya H, Mollie-Mae B, Shay G, Cole H, Joseph G, Troy S, Blake W, Jaya E, Ella S, Leo H, Kian W, Freddie J, Kai A, Claudia S, Lilli-Mai C, Isobelle H & Lily-Grace L who have all had their names in the **Golden Book**.





### SUPPORT STAFF DROP IN MORNING

Our hard working Support Staff would like to invite you (parents, grand parents, carers etc) to their drop-in morning on **Friday 1st December 2017**. Come and say hello, stay for a cup of tea and a biscuit and find out exactly what they do! The drop in will take place in the former Children's Centre.

### TESCO GRANT

Many thanks to all of you who visited Alfreton Tesco and put your blue token into the Stonebroom box. We have been given £1000 towards our Forest Schools from Tesco.

### DIARY DATES 2017-18

**November 14th 2017**—Bikeability  
**November 17th 2017**—Children In Need Day—Dress Up In Spots  
**November 17th 2017**—Parent & Toddler Session in Children's Centre (9.15-12noon)  
**November 20th—24th 2017**—Book Fair Week  
**November 24th 2017**—Anti-Bullying Day  
**December 1st 2017**—Support Staff Coffee Morning  
**December 5th 2017**—Christmas Disco  
**December 6th 2017**—Carols Around the Tree  
**December 8th 2017**—Christmas Dinner  
**December 12th 2017**—Christmas Fair  
**December 13th 2017**—KS2 Visit to Pantomime  
**December 14th 2017**—2pm—F2 & KS1 Nativity  
**December 14th 2017**—Choir performing at St Peter's Church—7.30pm  
**December 15th 2017**—10am—F2 & KS1 Nativity  
**December 18th 2017**—F2 & KS1 Party  
**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 7th 2018**—Photograph Day

**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