



January 2018 Newsletter

Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

It may seem a little late but for those of you to whom I haven't already spoken, may I wish you all a happy and prosperous new year.



MEET THE STAFF

This month we will meet Miss Jackson. Miss Jackson works in F2 and also in Y2. She lives in Shirland and has recently got engaged.

Miss Jackson enjoys spending time with her family and reading.



HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Congratulations to Loren, Jason, Lucy, Charlotte, Gracie-Jane, Sanel, Frankie & Amelia, who all won Headteacher's Award for Autumn Term 2. In order to win this award children must not have lost ANY golden time all term and show continuous good behaviour and attitude.



USING OUR WEBSITE & SCHOOL APP

Over the next few months we will be introducing a school app which will be directly linked to our school website and will become our main source of communication. It will be simple to download, easy to use and free.

The advantages to having a school app are plentiful:

It will send parents/carers push notifications—if there is a problem or parents/carers need a reminder, it will come up as an alert.

It will inform parents/carers that a newsletter has come out—this can then be read via the app, saving money, paper and time.

The school calendar can be synched with the phone calendar.

It will inform parents/carers as soon as pictures have been uploaded onto the website—these can then be accessed via the app. This can be instant, for example if the children are on a school visit, the pictures can be sent via the app instantly.

It will also include an 'urgent alert system' which will ensure that parents/carers are updated immediately should there be an emergency, although we will continue to use the text service for now.

Eventually the app will replace our Facebook page. We will inform you when the app is ready to be downloaded and how to do it.



DARE

Our Y6 pupils have started their DARE programme. DARE stands for Drug Abuse Resistant Education and is delivered by trained DARE officers. The aim of the programme is to teach young people to lead safe and healthy lives and to achieve their full potential. After a 10 week course the children will attend a graduation ceremony to which their parents/ carers will also be invited.



FOREST SCHOOLS

This term will be the turn of our Y6 children to participate in Forest Schools on Friday afternoons. They will need to bring appropriate clothing and footwear.

They will be learning how to use tools safely and how to care for our animals and the woodland environment.



CONGRATULATIONS...

to Miss Blakey & her partner, who are expecting a baby in May.



ATTENDANCE

Attendance remains 'good' and is in-line with national average, however we must reiterate:

- When your child is attending a medical appointment, please inform the office.
- Should you wish to take a holiday during term time, you must complete a holiday form which can be obtained from the office. It is the school policy not to authorise holidays unless booked prior to October 2017 (evidence must be provided) or there are exceptional circumstances. Parents could be issued with a fixed penalty notice from DCC if they ignore this ruling.

School starts at 8.55am. Please ensure that your child is on time

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 (in warmer weather)

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.



SWIMMING PROGRAMME

The swimming programme for this term is Miss Blakey's class every Monday afternoon. Please ensure that your child has a swimming costume/trunks and towel.





SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



BOCCIA—

Sportshall Athletics—On January 10th Miss Blakey took 7 x Y5&6 pupils and 1 x Y4 pupil to Sportshall Athletics at Tibshelf Community School. They had a wonderful time, and as usual, behaviour was fantastic. They came 4th overall.



Boccia—On Thursday 11th January, Mrs George & Mrs Bird took 2 teams of children to Tibshelf Community School to take part in a Boccia festival. The children were fantastic, winning most of their games.



Team A came 5th overall out of 16 teams and Team B came 6th.

Paceball—On Tuesday 9th January, we had some 'Paceball' trainers come to school to show our KS2 pupils how to play the new and exciting game of Paceball.



GOLDEN TABLE

On the Golden table in December were Kian, Charity, Carter, Logan, Tobi, Charlie, Tillie & Elexis.

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



GOLDEN BOOK

Congratulations to all who have appeared in our Golden Book.

Rehanna M, Jack H, Eevee J, Jessica G, Darcie -Mae I, Lilly W, Lucy B, Lyndon W, Loren E, Ayda M, Daley B, Logan G, Brisben E, Corin P, Jaya E, Millie W, Ella S, Freddie J, Armando K, Henry H, Jack B, Bradley P, Frankie W, Neave R, Blake W, Ellie F, Isobelle H, Evie-Mai A, Evie G, Logan S, Teegan B, Claudia S, KT-Jo C, Huey C, Macie F, Savannah W, Ellie C, Rio B, Lilli-Mai C, Chelsea P, Kayla S, Holly S, McKaylee S, Gracie-Jane W, Emilie S, Harley-Jo L, Abbie H-S, Bobby H, Michael B, Jason H, Logan W & Arlo O.



CLUBS

Clubs taking place this term include:

Monday lunchtime :Tony's Sports Club (all welcome)

Monday—3.30pm: Multi-Skills Club (Y3 & 4)

Monday—3.30pm—Homework Club (KS2)

Tuesday lunchtime—Maths Club (F2-Y6)

Tuesday—3.30pm: Football Club (Y2-Y6—£3.00)

Wednesday lunchtime: Sewing Club (Y4&5)

Wednesday—3.30pm: Choir (Y2-Y6)

Wednesday—3.30pm: Cooking Club (Y2)

Thursday lunchtime—12.30pm : Internet Club

Thursday—3.30pm: Dance Club (Y2-Y6)

Friday lunchtime: Football league with Tony (all welcome)

Breakfast Club—daily (Cost—£2.50)

Clubs change on a regular basis—check newsletters for details of change.



WINTER HAS DEFINITELY ARRIVED....

The weather is cold & wet at the moment and we ask that children bring a **coat** to school and that it is labelled with the name of the child. Should the weather turn even colder please ensure that your child brings a hat and gloves (also labelled if possible.) Remember that **we will only shut the school if we deem it to be dangerous to staff, carers, parents and pupils.** If you are unsure as to whether school is open or not please listen to Radio Derby, or check our website or the Facebook page. You will also be informed by text (if possible) so **please ensure that we have your up to date mobile number.**

If it snows we do allow children to play out but only if they have a change of footwear. We had great fun in December in the snow!



DIARY DATES

Half Term

January 19th 2018—African Ark Day

February 26th 2018—Back to School

January 23rd 2018—Science Morning

March 7th 2018—Cross country Competition

January 31st 2018—Fire safety talk (Y2&Y6)

March 9th 2018—Mother's Day Meal

Wk comm' 5th February 2018—Safety Week

March 19th 2018—Kingswood Week (Y5&6)

February 6th 2018—Dance Festival

March 23rd 2018—Easter Egg Competition

February 7th 2018—Photograph Day

March 23rd 2018—Break Up for Easter

February 13th 2018—E-Safety (Y4,5&6)

April 9th 2018—Back to School

February 13th 2018—Valentines Disco

April 9th 2018—Safety Week

February 14th 2018—Full Governors Meeting

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

February 15th 2018—Y6 Parent's Evening

May 7th 2018—Bank Holiday Monday

February 16th 2018—Break Up for

May 14th 2018—Y6 KS2 Tests

Wk Comm' 21st May 2018—History Week

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

September 4th 2018—Children Return to School

(These dates are 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