

Stoneydelph Newsletter

Grow & Achieve



Introducing your new Headteacher from September!

Following a very rigorous and challenging two day interview process, Community Academies Trust and Stoneydelph Governing Body are delighted to announce they have appointed a new Headteacher from September 2020. Esther Parsons is an experienced Deputy Headteacher of a local school and we are delighted that she has accepted the position. The CAT Director of Education and I are putting together an induction plan for handing over the role and we will look for opportunities for the new Head to meet the pupils and parents very soon, before she starts in September.

Coronavirus

I just wanted to reassure parents that we are following all the Government / DfE / Public Health England guidance and will continue to do so.

We have the children very well trained in handwashing and we have a comprehensive plan in place.

Staff are prepared for **if** the school has to close and they will be able to continue to provide learning and activities for the children at home. There will be daily posts for each phase on the school website.

To access these you would follow the 'Children' tab, 'Maths Mastery' or class pages and phase tabs.

We would also keep you posted via ParentPay text / email and Dojo.

We are open until directed otherwise.

Well done to all the children who participated by dressing up on World Book Day – all the costumes looked great! We almost had the complete 101 Dalmatians in Year 3 / 4!

PTA's 'Small Change Challenge' is going really really well. We have our first full jar – well done Mrs Hall's Y6 class – Sycamores! They have now started to fill their second jar and have chosen their prize – an extra playtime!

Reminder - Uniform

The children look incredibly smart in their uniforms – thank you parents / carers for ensuring that your child has the correct uniform. **Please remember to name your child's clothes – in biro on the label is fine as long as you go over it regularly.** We have a large number of jumpers, cardigans and coats currently in lost property which is such a shame and a waste. At this time of year, as it starts to get a little warmer, children are more likely to take off their jumper / cardigan, with a name on the label it means that if your child leaves them somewhere around school we can get their jumper or cardigan back to them so they won't be 'lost'. Thank you for your support.

Reminder – PE Kit

P.E. is a very important part of the school curriculum and the government expect all children to take part in these lessons. As an increasing number of children keep 'forgetting their kit' and so cannot participate in lessons. We are now insisting that all children have an appropriate P.E. kit in school every day to try to avoid this situation and support timetable changes that are sometimes necessary. The kit can either come into school at the start of a term and then go home at the next school holiday or come in on a Monday and go home on a Friday. **We will be calling / texting for kit to be brought into school if your child does not have it with them for the lesson which I'm sure will be a great inconvenience to you.** Our kit is very simple and inexpensive: plain black shorts, a plain white t shirt and bare feet (available at all supermarkets) for PE in the hall and for outdoor lessons they will also need a pair of navy/black tracksuit trousers and navy/black sweatshirt (not school sweatshirt) and a pair of trainers (not the shoes worn in the day) – again these are available very cheaply at supermarkets. Little black pumps are **not** required as they do not give adequate support. Children with long hair need to have this tied back and **all** jewellery needs to be removed.

We want all children to be able to be actively involved in their lessons - If your child is unable to take part due to lack of kit, they will be given a set of questions about the learning in the lesson which will be monitored by school staff. I'm sure your child would much rather have fun participating in the lesson! Thank you for your support with this. Mrs Tyson