



September 2023 Newsletter

Stonebroom Primary School Newsletter

'Together Aspire, Together Achieve'

WELCOME BACK!

A very warm welcome back to school and the start of another year.

I hope that you have had an enjoyable summer and that the children have rested well and are now ready for a year of excitement and hard work.

I would also like to welcome all our new children and parents to Stonebroom Primary & Nursery 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 knowledge organiser (which will contain details about what your child will be learning) and also further details about homework, P.E. etc. These will also be available on the website— <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/class-pages>.

The website also contains extra information including this monthly school newsletter. The school phone App is also very useful as it synchs to our school calendar, ensuring you will never miss another important date!

Mrs. George remains Head Teacher and Mr Walmsley the Deputy Head Teacher. If you wish to speak with either of them, please contact the school by phone, e-mail or by visiting the school office. We will be pleased to see you or offer an appointment.

Mr James, our Family Support Worker, is in school every day. He will also be looking closely at our attendance this year, and following up any concerns that we may have.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club opens at 7.45am and the entrance & car park are on the High Street. It is open for parents/carers who need childcare before school. The cost is £3.00 per day and can be paid on ParentPay. We also operate a FREE breakfast club. If your child arrives at school between 8.30am and 8.40am, they receive a breakfast free of charge.

All children who wish to attend Breakfast Club must arrive by 8.30am at the latest. There is no need to book in advance, you can just turn up on the day, however you will need to have registered (forms available from the office or on the website—<https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/parents/letters>.)



CLASSES

Class teachers & class names for 2023-24 are:

F1 (Nursery) - **Mrs Beresford**—Monkeys

F2 (Reception) - **Miss Lee**—Sheep

Y1—**Miss Rowland**—Elephants

Y2—**Mr Scott**—Meerkats

Y3—**Mrs Marshall**—Giraffes

Y4—**Mrs Bainbridge**—Koalas

Y5—**Mr Walmsley**—Dragons

Y6—**Mr Moss**—Sharks

Sendco— **Miss Rowland**



All classes have extra support staff every morning.

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 must bring with them.

Friday is 'Free Friday' and children can bring any **nut free** snack of their choice.



NO DOGS ALLOWED

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school premises unless a specific risk assessment has been carried out—this also means that they must not be carried onto the premises. This is a DCC regulation.



NUT FREE SCHOOL

Reminder—we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL—this is because we have children & staff in school who have life threatening reactions when they come into contact with nuts. Please help us to keep our children safe by not sending any food into school that contains nuts. Any food found to contain nuts will be confiscated and returned to the parent at the end of the school day.



Y6 LEAVERS

As you are no doubt aware, our wonderful Y6 pupils left school in July, but not before the final presentation assembly.

Awards presented:

Most Progress Throughout KS2— Lola Faith Bowler

Highest School Attainer— Henry Hursthouse

The Mrs Kaye Award—Overall Contribution to School Life— Evie-May Aspinall



Y6 VISIT TO TWINLAKES

On the last week of the Summer term, our Y6 children enjoyed their end of year visit to Twinlakes in Leicester. They had a wonderful

time and, as usual, behaviour was excellent.

Y6 PERFORMANCE

In July our Y6 pupils performed, 'I'm an 11 year old—get me out of here!' It was absolutely brilliant—there are definitely some budding actors amongst our Y6! We also need to thank some of our parents, who were volunteered by their children to be part of the act!



KNITTING CLUB

Well done to our knitting club who made some fantastic creations at knitting club. A big thank you to the knitting ladies who give up their own time to come and run the club every Wednesday lunchtime.



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/playsuit

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/joggers, plimsolls or trainers.

Please contact school if you have any issues or problems purchasing the correct uniform or are unsure about anything—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.



CLUBS

Clubs for this half term include: sports club, girl's football club, reading club, cooking club, Golden Mile, knitting club, homework club & choir.

Follow the link for times, days and year groups: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/school-clubs>

Details about signing up to follow.



RETIREMENT

In April 2024, Mrs George will be retiring as Headteacher of Stonebroom Primary & Nursery School. We will keep you updated with the recruitment procedure.



DRINKS BOTTLES & CAPS

Every child is given a named drinks bottle for classroom use. These bottles are washed at school. Please do not send your child with disposable water bottles as we are trying to reduce their use in school.

Children are also given a school cap which should stay in school. Please do not send your child to school in their own cap as it may get lost.

HEADTEACHER'S AWARD—SUMMER TERM 2

Congratulations to all who were awarded Headteacher's award in July 2023.

To receive 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.



Follow the link for further details: <https://www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk/children/headteachers-award>

Y3 BRASS CONCERT

In July our Y3 pupils performed a concert for their parents/carers and the rest of the school. They sang songs, played their trumpets and gave an overall outstanding performance. We were really proud of them.



Y1 PARENT WORKSHOP

Our Y1 parents were invited in to enjoy a workshop with their children based around their learning for the half term. Follow the link for more photographs:



LUNCHTIME GOLDEN TABLE—SUMMER TERM 2

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 all children who were invited to sit at the Golden Table in July 2023.

Y2 SCIENCE DAY

In July our Y2 class experienced a science day—they carried out lots of investigations and exercised their questioning and investigating skills.



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On Friday 29th September we will be holding a **Macmillan Coffee Morning** in the school hall for parents and children—all proceeds donated to Macmillan Cancer Support. More details to follow.



NEW TOILETS

The children's toilets were refurbished over the holidays—they are even colour coordinated—they look fantastic!!



CONGRATULATIONS MRS MARSH

On Friday 8th September, Mrs Marsh gave birth to a beautiful girl who they have named Rosie—Congratulations to the Marsh family.



TAKING HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME NOTICE FROM DERBYSHIRE

Important Notice for parents/carers— Unauthorised leave of absence during term time

Derbyshire County Council will consider the issue of a penalty notice for any period of holiday absence which has not been authorised by the headteacher.

This means you **MUST** have a holiday authorised by the school—application forms are available from the office however please be aware that we will only authorise holidays in **exceptional circumstances**.

Inset Dates:

Monday 4th September 2023 — Inset — First Aid Training (school closed to pupils)

Tuesday 5th September 2023 — Inset — Staff Training (school closed to pupils)

Friday 22nd December 2023 — Inset — Staff Training (school closed to pupils)

Friday January 12th 2024—Inset - Staff Training at DNA (school closed to pupils)

Monday 3rd June 2024—Inset— Staff Training (school closed to pupils)



SCHOOL DINNERS

School dinners cost **£3.25 per day** for children in Y3,4,5 & 6 unless they receive free dinners. School dinners must be paid for in advance on ParentPay.

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.



SAFEGUARDING

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

Mrs George
Mrs Beresford
Mrs Booker
Mr James

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.

DIARY DATES

September 6th 2023—Children Return to School

September 19th 2023—Staying Safe Online with Traci Good

September 21st & 22nd 2023—Art Days

September 27th 2023—Y3&4 to Hampton Court, London

September 28th 2023 - First Aid Day—Y5&6

September 29th 2023—Macmillan Coffee Morning for Parents (in hall).

October 11th 2023—Individual Photo Day

October 23rd-27th 2023—Black History Week

October 23rd & 24th 2023—Parent's Evening

October 24th 2023—Y6 to Jorvik

October 27th 2023—Break Up

November 6th 2023—Children Return

November 11th 2023—Y5 to National Space Centre

November 13th-17th 2023—Anti-Bullying Week

November 17th 2023—Children In Need Day

November 22nd 2023— Adam Pepper Day in Nursery

December 13th 2023—KS2 Panto

December 21st 2023—Last Day of School for Children.

December 22nd 2023—Inset Day

January 8th 2024—Children Return

January 12th 2024—Inset Day—School Closed to Children

February 6th 2024— Safer Internet Day

February 19th 2024—Break Up

February 26th 2024—Back to School

March 7th March 2024—World Book Day

March 8th 2024—Mother's Day Meal

March 14th 2024—Adam Pepper Day in Reception

March 15th 2024—Red Nose Day

March 18th—22nd 2024—Y5&6 Residential to Kingswood

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March 25th & 26th 2024- Parent's Evenings

March 26th 2024—Adam Pepper Day in Y3

March 28th 2024—Egg Decorating Competition

March 29th 2024—Break Up for Easter

April 15th 2024—Children Return to School

May 13th—16th 2024—KS2 Sats Week

May 24th 2024—Break Up

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

June 4th 2024—Local History Week

June 5th 2024—Y6 to Leiden

June 14th 2024—Father's Day Meal

July 23rd 2024—Last Day of School

Times and dates may change due to circumstances beyond our control.



WEBSITE & App

Don't forget to look at our website & download our App

www.stonebroom.derbyshire.sch.uk