



Stone

Church of England Combined School

Building stepping stones to success



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Weekly Newsletter

Friday 9th November 2018

COMING UP

Monday 12th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 16th November

Children in Need Day



Children of the Week

EYFS:

Harmonie A for trying really hard to put her hand up and contribute to whole class discussion.

Year 1:

Alfie H for a fantastic contribution to discussions about the world.

Year 2:

Emily Y for being a wonderful kind member of Class 2.

Year 3:

Sena A for participating in our citizenship discussion.

Year 4:

Thomas F for being a kind and encouraging friend.

Year 5:

Kirsten T for her excellent growth mindset towards her maths work.

Year 6:

Macie G for settling into her new class very quickly.



Stepping Stone to Success Awards

Respect: Bethany G (Class R) for showing respect by sharing the resources in class.

Perseverance: to Jorja B (Class 6) for showing perseverance in maths when working with fractions.

Perseverance: to Lilia F (Class 5) for her perseverance using multiple methods of multiplication to check for errors.

Perseverance; to everyone in Class 4 who auditioned for the dance competition for being incredibly brave.

Perseverance: to Daisy M (Class 3) for perseverance during the daily mile.

Responsibility: to Ava P (Class 2) for working extremely hard in her lessons this week.

Responsibility: to Freddie H (Class 1) for being a reliable, responsible member of the class.

Life Skills Skills for Life Update

This week's focus is 'Mind Reading':

Mind-Reading - Assuming we know what others are thinking (usually about us).



Am I assuming I know what others are thinking? What's the evidence? Those are my own thoughts, not theirs. Is there another, more balanced way of looking at it?



We listened to Wonderful Life by Zendaya (from the movie, Smallfoot) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NHQ4F_WMHjg

Please find this week's assembly powerpoint attached. The children were slightly disappointed to realise that even though sometimes we think we can mind read, we actually can't! We discussed times when we have tried to mind read and have misunderstood something and how often things that seem bad don't turn out to be at all.

Please also find attached this week's recommended resource, which is all about ways in which a child's anxiety may present itself. This is a great resource to bear in mind when thinking about children's behaviour, as all behaviour is a form of communication. Often behaviour (or even a child!) is labelled using terms such as 'naughty', when actually a child is trying to communicate something to us.

We hope this helps you and thank you for your continued support with our skills for Life approach.



Children in Need Day

Children in Need Day is Friday 16th November. On Friday, children can wear spots or stripes instead of their uniform for a donation towards BBC Children in Need if they wish to take part in raising money for this worthwhile charity.



Village Remembrance

The 1918-2018 Remembrance Day Commemorative Service will take place between 10.45-11.15am on Sunday 11th November 2018 at the Memorial Gates, War Memorial Recreation Ground, Stone.

The special centennial Service will be conducted by the Revd. Canon Phil Groves and will include music from the Aylesbury Concert Band. The Band will be playing from 10:30am. Before and after the Service, refreshments will be available in the Pavilion where there will also be displays of work about Remembrance Day by local children (Stone School), along with presentations showing the impact the War had on people in Bucks and to give a flavour of what life was like for those left behind.

If you would like to attend please use the Bishopstone Road Car Park, HP17 8SJ

WW1 Centenary

Today we marked the centenary of the First World War (2014 to 2018) with a service led by Canon Phil Groves. The service included artwork, songs and poetry prepared by the children and a minutes silence was held. The children created a beautiful mural entitled 'Lest we Forget' and Key Stage 1 made a wonderful wreath. Both pieces of work will be displayed in Stone over the weekend as part of the centenary events on Sunday.





Class 3: Phoebe for being kind to someone when they were sad
 Class 4: Ethan for always being respectful and making his teacher happy
 Class 5: Simina for letting another child sit next to her
 Class 6: Maya for helping another child pick up pencil sharpenings from the floor



Christmas Tree Decoration Competition

We are holding our annual Christmas Tree Decoration competition again this year. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to show their creative skills. The decoration can be on any theme (reindeer, Santa, stars, stockings, candy canes, presents, baby Jesus etc...).

It would be lovely to see a range of materials and techniques used by the children. Some possible materials that your child might like to use are card, felt, material, salt dough or air drying clay. Your child might like to explore the following techniques collage, sewing, painting and printing. And don't forget the glitter!

Don't forget that the decoration will need to be able to be hung on a tree.

Please bring Christmas decorations into school on the morning of Monday 26th November at the latest ensuring that the decoration is clearly labelled with your child's full name, class and house.

All entries will be displayed on the Christmas tree in the main entrance and 10 house points will be awarded for each entry. There will also be prizes awarded to first, second and third place in each class.



Dance Competition Auditions

Kind Special Acts of Kindness

This term we have been celebrating special acts of kindness by the children. Teachers or other pupils may notice that someone has been very kind and will write a note and put it in their class 'Bucket of Kindness'. Each week one 'Act of Kindness' is picked from the bucket in each class and the children take their note to Mrs Morrison to share over a cup of hot chocolate. This week Mrs Roberts also went along.

The children who celebrated their special acts of kindness this week were:

- Class R: Isaac for helping his other friend to use the interactive white board
- Class 1: Dillon for being kind to another child at after school club
- Class 2: Taylor for playing with someone who didn't have anyone to play with



We have been holding the auditions all this week, having seen some excellent performances. We are looking forward to the semi-finals next week.



Free Desk

We have a large desk in the main entrance which we do not need anymore. If you would like it, please speak to Mrs Loxley in the school office. This is free to but if you would like to make a small donation that would be much appreciated.



School Transport Arrangements

Bucks CC are running a consultation on proposed changes to home to school transport arrangement. More information can be found at <https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/education/school-transport/home-to-school-transport-survey/how-to-get-involved/>

Below are the dates, venues and times for the Home to School Transport Drop-in Sessions.

Area	Venue	Date	Time
Iver	Iver Village Junior School, High Street, Iver, SL0 9QA	12 November	7pm – 9pm
High Wycombe	Millbrook Combined School, Mill End Road, HP12 4BA	14 November	7pm – 9pm



Staff Update

We have been sad to say goodbye to Mrs Goodson, one of our TAs, and Ms Thomson, one of our Mid Day Meal Supervisors ,who has left us this week. We would like to thank them for all their work and wish them all the best in the future.

TA Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a teaching assistant. For more information see attached advert.

Mid Day Meals Supervisor

We are seeking a Mid Day Meals Supervisor to join our friendly team. You will be required to work 10 hours a week term time only from 11.30-1.30pm Monday to Friday. Please contact the school office for an application form.



Chesham	Newtown School, Berkhampstead Road, HP5 3AT Princes Risborough Primary Academy, Wellington Avenue, Princes Risborough, HP27 9HY	15 November	7pm – 9pm
Princes Risborough	Great Marlow School, Bobmore Lane, Marlow, SL7 2BR Winslow CE School, Lowndes Way, Winslow, MK18 3EN Woodside Junior School, Mitchell Walk, Amersham, HP6 6NW	19 November	7pm – 9pm
Marlow		20 November	7pm – 9pm
Winslow		21 November	7pm – 9pm
Amersham		26 November	7pm – 9pm

If you have any enquiries about this consultation, please email consultations@buckscc.gov.uk



Thank You

We would like to thank Hartwell Nurseries for their donations of compost, canes and seeds to the Gardening Club. Thanks also to the Tarbox family who donated two gardening packs.



Christmas Disco

Please note that the school disco will now be on Thursday 6th December rather than on the Friday as the DJ was unavailable.



SSPTA Events

- 09/11/18 Quiz Night 7.30pm
- 23/11/18 Chocolate Mufti
- 01/12/18 Christmas Fayre
- 06/12/18** Christmas Disco
- 19/12/18 Hot Dog Lunch

Inset Days 2018/19

- Wednesday 2nd January 2019
- Tuesday 23rd April 2019
- Friday 24th May 2019
- Wednesday 24th July 2019

Term Date Reminders

Autumn Term 2018: Thursday 6th September to Wednesday 19th December

Half Term: 22nd October to 26th October

Inset Day: Wednesday 5th September 2018

Spring Term 2019: Thursday 3rd January 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019

Half Term; 18th February to 22nd February 2019

Summer Term 2019: Wednesday 24th April 2019 to Tuesday 23rd July 2019

Half Term: Friday 24th May to Friday 31st May 2019