



Stone Church of England Combined School

Newsletter – Friday 14th January 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians

It has been another exciting week here at Stone and we are so pleased to be slowly working towards what we remember as normal school life! Highlights of this week have included the children having key stage collective worship in the hall, as well as some classes using the hall for the very first time for their PE lessons. The joy of both staff and children has been contagious.

Thank you to the SSPTA for helping to raise spirits and funds with today's Break the Rules day. We've seen some fantastic face paint, crazy hair styles, vibrant nail varnish, a wide range of striking tattoos and rebellious footwear. Thank you to all the parents and guardians who have contributed to the outfits and fundraising.

Wishing you a restful weekend.

Regards
Mrs Morrison



COMING UP

On Friday 21 January Class 1 will be participating in a RIDE-A-THON on the school playground. Each child will be given 5 minutes to do as many laps around the playground on their bicycle or tricycle as they can. We are raising money for our class.



Child of the Week

EYFS:

Toby D for engaging well in his learning.

Year 1:

Rudraksh K for communicating more with his teachers and peers.

Year 2:

Ava B for writing some wonderful sentences in English.

Year 3:

Mayson B for some great writing about the Happy Prince.

Year 4:

Neriah-Mai A for her amazing writing in English.

Year 5:

Toby K for outstanding descriptive work in English.

Year 6:

Freya C for challenging herself in Maths when using decimal numbers.



Stepping Stones to Success

Responsibility: to Zack C (Class 2) for being a great help around the classroom.
Community: to Shaya H (Class 5) for beginning a new school term really positively.
Toby P (Class 6) for being a very helpful member of our class community.

Perseverance: to Bobby E (Class 3) for persevering with writing independently.
Ariya H (Class 4) for her perseverance in Maths.
Lily S (Class R) for super determination in Maths.
Oliver M (Class 1) for persevering during English and writing independently.



Special Acts of Kindness

The following children were nominated for their acts of kindness this week. They all received a special pencil.

Hope J – class R for being a good friend to others and checking they're ok, Jaxon S – class 1, for being a kind friend and always being helpful, Gabriel A – class 2 for looking out for others, Isadora M - class 3 for helping her friends, Holly M – class 4 for being a good friend, Lucy N for tidying the class and making the classroom a lovely place to work in and Dhruv D – class 6 for being kind to everyone and helping out.



Healthy Eating Lunch Idea

Lunchbox Pasta Salad

Ingredients

400g pasta
4-5 tbsp fresh pesto
1 tbsp mayonnaise
2 tbsp Greek yogurt
½ lemon, juiced
200g mixed cooked veg such as peas, green beans, courgette (chop the beans and courgette into pea-sized pieces)
100g cherry tomatoes, quartered
200g cooked chicken, ham, prawns, hard-boiled egg or cheese

Method

STEP 1

Cook the pasta in boiling water until it is al dente, so about 11 mins, but refer to the pack instructions. Drain and tip into a bowl. Stir in the pesto and leave to cool.

STEP 2

When the pasta is cool, stir through the mayo, yogurt, lemon juice and veg. Spoon into lunchboxes or on to pasta plates and put the cooked chicken or protein of your choice on top. Chill until ready to eat if intended for a packed lunch.





Birthdays

A very happy birthday to the following children:

Lily-Mai V in class 5 and Toby P in class 6.



Skills for Life

This week, we have enjoyed being back in the hall for our Wednesday Skills for Life collective worship! We focused on helping Mojo the monster with his unhelpful thinking habits of 'shoulds and musts'. Please see the Powerpoint attached.

We listened to Try Everything by Shakira:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jpqV3dzYOgk>

Recommended Resource

Please find attached a flyer for a 2 day 'Wellbeing Matters' project, which is running during half term for children age 7-11 at Berryfields Family Centre.



Focus on Inclusion

We are an inclusive school and our aim is for every child to feel positive about themselves and a part of our community. We strive for every child to reach 'their star' - their potential. Each week, we will be including some information about different areas of inclusion. This week, we are focusing on ADHD. Please follow this link to find out more:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/attention-deficit-hyperactivity-disorder-adhd/>

KS2 ASSEMBLY

We are pleased to report that Key Stage assemblies have resumed this term. This assembly was led by Reverend Harriet Orridge assisted by a couple of pupils from class 6.



BREAK THE RULES DAY

Here is Class 2 showing their different types of hats, hairstyles and nails for “*Breaking the Rules*” day.



This is the Key Stage One assembly today where some of the children have “*Broken the Rules*”.



Children from class 4 really enjoyed our “*Breaking the Rules*” day as you can see!



In Case of Whole School Emergency Closure

If we decide to close the whole school in an emergency (e.g snow, COVID-19), a notification will be placed on the BCC (Buckinghamshire Council) School Closures webpage. If the closure happens whilst children are at school, we will text parents/carers and publish on the BCC (Buckinghamshire Council) School Closures webpage. In these instances, please do not phone school to check unless you have alternative collection arrangements of which you need to advise us.

Link to school closures webpage: <https://closures.buckscc.gov.uk/>



Saturday Morning Football Club

Game On are running a Saturday morning football club at Haydon Abbey School for years R to 3. Please see the attached poster for further details.



Behaviour Policy

We have recently reviewed our Behaviour Policy. Please find attached our new Behaviour and Self-Regulation policy for your information.



House points

1st - Red House/St George

2nd - Yellow House/St David

3rd - Green House/St Patrick

4th - Blue House/St Andrew



Pupil Premium

Your child may be entitled to pupil premium funding to support your child's learning and development in school if you receive one of the following benefits:

Income Support (IS)

Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (not contribution-based)

Child Tax Credit Only (with income up to £16,190) with no element of Working Tax Credit

Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

Guarantee Element of the State Pension Credit

Income-related employment and support allowance

Universal Credit (annual net earned income of no more than £7,400)

Please email office@stone.bucks.sch.uk confidentially if you are receiving any of the above benefits and ask Mrs Loxley to check if you qualify. As well as the school receiving money to support your child's learning, your child can benefit from Free School Meals.



Behaviour and Bullying

We aim to establish and sustain high expectations of behaviour for all pupils, built upon relationships, rules and routines.

We never tolerate bullying. Therefore, if you have any concerns that your child is being bullied, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance who will carry out a bullying investigation. If, following the outcome of this, your child is still reporting concerns, please contact Mrs S Hale who manages behaviour and discipline.



Reporting COVID-19 Test Results

You should immediately let the school know the results of COVID-19 test results. To report the result of a COVID-19 test, please email testresults@stone.bucks.sch.uk.

This email address is for reporting the results of COVID-19 tests only. Please use our usual forms of communication for everything else including reporting that your child is unwell.



Dates for 2021/2022

Spring Term

Wednesday 5th January to Friday 8th April

Half Term

Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February

Summer Term

Monday 25th April to Tuesday 19th July

Half Term

Friday 27th May to Friday 3rd June

Inset Days

Friday 27th May 2022

Wednesday 20th July 2022