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8 September 2017

NEWSLETTER

Reminders: For week commencing 11 September 2017

Monday: River class swimming – have you given permission for your child to be driven in the school minibus?

Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: Bubble class – am. Raindrop class Group A – pm

Friday: 2.45pm Celebration Assembly in the church

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer break!

Thank you to all of those people for your kind gifts, cards, words of thanks and appreciation at the end of last term. We hope you are feeling refreshed and ready to start the new academic year with plenty of vigour and that everyone has enjoyed their first week. For new parents, this is our fortnightly school newsletter in which you find information about what has been happening in school over the previous two weeks, important dates to remember and news from FOSRS, our PTA Group.

Year 6 Trip to Kilvrough

Our Year 6 have had a fantastic week on their residential trip to Kilvrough Manor in Wales. They have enjoyed some exciting adventurous activities including caving, climbing, abseiling and canoeing. All the children have behaved brilliantly and been a real credit to the school!





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Forest School

If your child is in Bubble or Raindrop Class, you should have received a ParentMail regarding Forest School. We will begin from next Thursday 14th September. Do you have any old hats, gloves, scarves or tights? We are looking for spares for our Forest School kit. Thank you.

Breakfast Club

For those new parents who might not know, we offer a breakfast club here at school from 8-8.40am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday every week. Children are offered cereal, waffles, toast, yogurts, fruit juice, milk. Please see the office for more details/enrolment form. Please enter Breakfast Club via River class door in the playground.

Swimming lessons

A ParentMail was sent out on 6 September regarding swimming lessons which commence again for River class (and a few Year 5 pupils) on Monday 11 September. Please tick the permission check box on ParentMail to allow your child to travel in the school minibus. Please ensure that your child has their swimming kit – including towel, swim cap and goggles if desired.

ParentMail

It is really important that every parent is receiving ParentMail messages as this the method in which we send home all school notifications of meetings and information about your child's schooling. ParentMail is available on email and via phone app. If you are not sure if you are registered or if you have problems receiving messages via ParentMail, please tell the office immediately.

Assembly – Reminder!

Just to remind you that celebration assembly will now take place at 2.45pm – 3.10pm on Friday afternoons in the church. Parents, grandparents and siblings are welcome.

Football Club

We have arranged for two professional coaches from AFC Henley to come in to school every Tuesday after school from 3.20-4.20pm from 12th September to 28th November for Years 2-5. The cost is £38.50. A ParentMail has been circulated with a link to their website to register and make your payment.

Netball

Netball club, run by Miss Harris, commences again on Monday 18th September from 3.20-4.20pm for Yr 1 and upwards. A ParentMail letter will be going out soon to give your permission for your child to participate.

Clubs in September

Please see below a list of the extra-curricular clubs we will run in term 1. Clubs before school have varying start times which are arranged with the specific organiser - Chris Lee for Running Club and Jo Mace for Art Club. We may introduce further clubs this term run by external provides and details of those will be provided in due course. Please do drop Miss Harris an e-mail if there is a specific club you would like to see at Stoke Row.



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| | Before School | Lunchtime | After School |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Monday | | | Netball (starts 18 th |
| | | | Sept) 3.15-4.15pm Yr |
| | | | 1 upwards |
| Tuesday | Running club – all | | Football (starts 12 th Sept – 28 th Nov) Yr 2- |
| | ages (meet at the rec | | Sept – 28 th Nov) Yr 2- |
| | at 8am) | | 5 only |
| Wednesday | | Choir 12.30-1.00pm | Drama (starts 20 th |
| | | Yr 2 and above | September) 3.20- |
| | | | 4.20pm |
| Thursday | Art (starts 14 th | | |
| - | September) 7.50- | | |
| | 8.40am | | |
| Friday | | | |

Healthy Snacks

All children from Foundation Stage Key stage 1 (Bubble and Raindrop class) are provided with fruit and vegetables daily under the Government scheme.

For Key Stage 2 children (River and Ocean class) you are welcome to bring in a healthy snack but please no fizzy drinks, chocolate or sweets.

Allergies/Intolerances

Please can you let us know if your child has an allergy or any food intolerances so that we can update our records and manage accordingly.

Severe Nut Allergy

There is a child in school with a severe nut allergy. Please do **not** bring in any nuts to school in any form. If you have had nuts or foods containing nuts we ask kindly that you wash your hands before coming to school.

Health Conditions

If your child has had any changes to their current health condition or a change in their medication then please let us know as soon as possible.

Sickness

Just a reminder to say that when your child is ill, parents are still required by law to phone the school **every** day. Also please don't forget to cancel their lunch on the Aspens website. Aspens have also asked if you could check your child has their correct class listed as there have been a few problems already this term. You can also notify us of any absence via ParentMail.

New Ocean Class Parent's Meetings - Wednesday 13th September 2017

On Wednesday 13th September Mrs Fraser will be holding parent welcome evening for children moving up to her class straight after school as an opportunity for parents to meet her and understand the expectations of their new class.



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Twitter!

Please don't forget to follow us on Twitter to see all of the exciting things we have been up to at school this week. Miss Doe has kindly uploaded the Raindrop parent notes to Twitter from Wednesdays meeting. Just search 'StokeRowPS'.

New Year – New Water Bottle!

Have a fresh start in September with a new Stoke Row water bottle! Bulk purchase means that we can offer bottles for only £1.80 each at the moment or 2 for £3.40. Please see the office.

Reminder - Parking

Please can we also remind you to park considerately to our neighbours. We strongly suggest you do not use School Lane, which gets very congested and where the only options to turn is in residents drives. Please ensure you don't block drives or park on grassed verges to ensure we remain good neighbours. The village hall car park is a short walk from school and is available for parking at drop off and pick up. Wendy, our Lollipop lady has asked that you wait with her before crossing the road.

We have received several complaints from residents on the main road who are upset that the disabled parking bay in front of the bungalows is being blocked and used by parents cars. **THE PARKING BAY MUST BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES!**

CO-Op Scheme - More Great News!

Just to remind everyone that our application to secure funding for a school greenhouse to be put on our new allotment (scheduled for implementation mid May) has been successfully chosen by the Co-Op. A big thank you to Rachel Lambert for putting together and submitting the application.

To raise money you need to be a Co-Op member, which costs £1 and is very easy to do, this also entitles you to a 5% reward on purchases. You can ask for a form in store. You then have to choose the Stoke Row Greenhouse Project to your account when you go on their website. Then 1% of what you spend is donated to our cause. You can only register one project at a time. We have raised £634.99 so far!

Stoke Row Chapel Exhibition



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Each year the chapel holds an Art & Craft exhibition – we encourage pupil participation and will be taking the children down to see the exhibition when it is on.

Labelling Clothes and Shoes

Finally, please could you ensure your child has their name on all the school clothes and shoes – we already have children mislaying brand new shoes that don't have names in them! A laundry pen or Sharpie pen will do the trick!

SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES FOR THE YEAR

Harvest Festival – Wednesday 11th October – 9.00am in the church Nativity – Wednesday 6th December – 4.00pm Nativity – Thursday 7th December – 6.00pm Christingle service – 14th December – 6.00pm followed by Christmas Fayre

Parents Evenings

Tuesday 21st November 3.30pm-6.00pm (child led) Wednesday 22nd November 3.30pm-6.00pm (child led) Tuesday 6th February 2018 3.30pm-5.00pm (parent only) Wednesday 7th February 2018 5.00pm-8.00pm (parent only)

Pancake Day – Tuesday 20th February 2018 (really 13th) – 2.00pm Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 6th February 2018 Grandparent's Day – Friday 9th March 2018 1.00pm – 3.15pm Easter Service – Wednesday 28th March 2018 1.00pm Stars at the Well (whole school event) – Friday 8th June 2018 7.00pm River Class play – Wednesday 21st March 2018 1.30pm River Class play – Thursday 22nd March 2018 6.00pm Ocean Class play – Wednesday 11th July 2018 1.30pm Ocean Class play – Thursday 12th July 2018 6.00pm Sports Day – Friday 6th July 2018 1.30pm (back up Monday 9th July) Leaver's Service – Wednesday 25th July 2018 1.00pm

<u>FOSRS</u>

Dear Parents

Thank you so much for the amazing support which you gave over the last school year. We had an incredible year of fundraising and also fun social events. FOSRS are very grateful to the parent body for their support and time given to helping us. We achieved our goal of funding the school road signs which were installed in May.

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Motorsports - July 2017

We raised an incredible £3,040.00 from organising the refreshments and hospitality for the Stoke Row & Nuffield classic car event. FOSRS worked so hard along with a team of about 15 parents and teachers serving refreshments, home-made cakes, bacon butties and 65 hospitality lunches for the drivers. It was a sunny day and a great turn out from the public. A special thank you must go to Sophie Bowman who organised and planned it all for the school.

100 Club

Stoke Row School's 100 Club was drawn today for August and September. The winner of August was Marilyn Haywood (Nathalie and Alex's grandmother) with ball number 72 and the winner of September was Suzanne Aldridge (Ciarah's mum) with ball number 66.

FOSRS PTA next meeting

FOSRS will be holding their first PTA meeting of the school year on Tuesday 26th September at 7.30pm at The Cherry Tree Pub, Stoke Row. Everyone is welcome including all new parents. We shall be discussing all our fundraising plans for the coming year and planning some fun events too. Just turn up and enjoy a drink whilst learning how FOSRS support the school. New parents - you may have a fabulous fundraising idea for us. Please bring along your ideas to the meeting.

FOSRS committee

A big thank you to all Class Reps who supported FOSRS throughout the last year. You all did a fantastic job! We have now announced our new class reps, they are:

Bubble Class - Laura Shaw Raindrop Class - Laura Poulton and Rachel Mannall River Class - Andy Wallis Ocean Class - Joanna Carter and Jenny Lowe

Chair - Lou Chater Vice-Chair - Sophie Bowman Treasurer - Tracey Preedy Secretary - Louisa Dosanjh

FOSRS Facebook page - Keep updated with our news!

FOSRS have their own Facebook page. This is a private group and only for parents of children at the school. Please send a request via our Facebook page to join to: www.facebook.com/groups/FOSRS or search for 'Friends of Stoke Row School'.

The FOSRS page is a noticeboard page of everything that FOSRS are currently doing and organising. We will be able to update you on events happening, reminders for specific class FOSRS events such as cake sales. We will also keep you informed on how our fundraising is going.

Contact FOSRS

If you wish to contact FOSRS or a member of our team, please email us on fosrs@hotmail.com.

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