



# Stoke Row CE School

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**10 November 2017**

## **NEWSLETTER**

**Reminders:** *For week commencing 13 November 2017*

**Monday:** *River class swimming  
Whole school Odd Socks Day – please wear odd socks*

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:** *River class trip to Ashmolean museum - Oxford*

**Thursday:** *NO FOREST SCHOOL TODAY*

**Friday:** *1pm-2.30pm Children in Need - Afternoon tea and cakes in the village hall*

*2.45pm Celebration Assembly in the church*

*3.15-4pm Bubble class 'Stay and Play'*

**Reminders:** *For week commencing 20th November 2017*

**Monday:** *River class swimming*

**Tuesday:** *3.30pm-6.00pm Child-led parents evening*

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**Thursday:** *NO FOREST SCHOOL TODAY*

**Friday:** *2.45pm Celebration Assembly in the church*

*School Disco – village hall 5-6pm KS1 6.15-7.30pm KS2*

### **Writing Week**

This week we had our annual writing week in school. This year we are linking our writing week to anti-bullying week which has a specific theme this year of 'All different, all equal'. We launched our writing week on Monday morning by looking at the original story of 'Elmer' - an elephant theme of course! Today we will be sharing some of the writing we have done in celebration assembly and would love parents to come along to hear this. If you have any books at home which you think are linked to the theme of 'All different, all equal', celebrating differences and why these are important, please bring them into school next week so we can share them with the class. **Monday, 13th November is the official beginning of anti-bullying week and to support this we would like to take part in 'Odd Socks day'. Please can we ask that all children wear odd socks to school on Monday (of any colour!).** If you wish to find out more about this initiative, please click on the link: <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day-anti-bullying-week-0> Thank you!

### **Children in Need**

On Friday 17th November it is Children in Need and we will be continuing to support this worthy cause. We would like the children to wear spotty clothes on Friday 17th and we kindly suggest a donation of £1 towards the cause. We will be making a trail of coins around the playground. Please can the children bring in any spare small loose change to contribute towards making the picture. All coins will be donated to the charity. In addition FOSRS will be hosting a tea and cake party in the village hall between 1-2.30pm which is open to local community and parents. All proceeds will be going towards Children in Need; please spread the word!

### **Cool Milk**

Our new Cool Milk scheme launches on Monday 20th November. If your child would like to receive fresh milk (189ml semi skimmed) daily, you need to register your child online at

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[www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com). School milk is free for under five years and is available at a subsidised price of 22p a day for over five years. Once you have registered you will receive a payment request direct from Cool Milk. If you require any further information, please speak to Lou in the school office. It is the parent's responsibility to cancel any orders or amend their orders once their child reaches the age of five years old.

### **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.

### **Christingle Service**

Further to Miss Harris's ParentMail letter which was sent out last week, our annual Christingle Service will now take place at the Christchurch Centre, Reading Road, Henley on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 6-7pm. All children and parents will be expected to arrive by 5.45pm. More information will follow in the next couple of weeks.

### **Christmas Fayre**

Our Christmas Fayre will now take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December from 3.30-5.30pm at the village hall. Please read the FOSRS news for more information.

### **Payments for Ashmolean trip**

We would be grateful if parents could make sure that their payments have been made for their child to attend the Ashmolean Museum on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November. All payment requests were sent by ParentMail. Please check your shop or basket.

### **Children's Christmas Lunch**

The children will be having their Christmas lunch at School on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December and we would like everyone to be seated for a Christmas Lunch on that day, if possible. Aspens have updated their system to offer this so please log on and choose your child's lunch. We are in need of some helpers for the children's festive lunch from 11.30am – 1.30pm to organise tables, serve and clear up so if you think you can help please do let the office know.

### **Violin Lessons**

Elestr Lee, our local violin teacher, visited River and Ocean class this week. If your child has expressed an interest in learning the violin, please email her directly if you wish your child to take up individual or group lessons. [Elestr.lee@btinternet.com](mailto:Elestr.lee@btinternet.com)

### **Stoke Row School Band**

A letter has been sent out via ParentMail regarding Mrs Shipway's intention to set up a Stoke Row School Band. Band practice would be held after school on a Thursday afternoon until 4pm and would involve the children having the responsibility to practise music at home. The expectations would be 5-10 minutes a day during weekdays. Please return the form to the office or email the office if you have any queries.

### **Music Stands Wanted**

Mrs Shipway would be grateful for any unwanted music stands for the Stoke Row Band.

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### **The Book People**

A new selection of books from The Book People is now in the office. Payment (cash or cheque) must be made at the time of ordering. Collection will be on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

### **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.

### **Aspens**

Please let the school office know if you are still having issues logging your child's lunches via Aspens. Just a reminder that the PIN number for our school is 671548 and if you are using the App to look at the menu, the reference number is 71779313. Please note the Aspens App will only allow you to view the menu and not place an order, unless you upload the web page to your phone. Please can we ask that all parents correctly label their child's class on the Aspens site when they log in (ie class name Bubble etc). If you have trouble ordering your child's lunch please come into the office and order it first thing as we can manually add on a lunch choice. Please note that Key Stage 2 children will be charged £2.50 per day per meal. This can be taken off your credits with Aspens or you can pay cash.

### **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. If your child suffers from asthma and requires an inhaler, please bring it named and to the school office where you will also be required to complete a School Asthma Card.



### **Co-Op Scheme - More Great News!**

Just to remind everyone that the Co-Op scheme ends on 25 November. So far we have raised £677.28!

### **Saturday Morning Masterclasses**

Open to boys and girls in Years 5 and 6, these completely free sessions are designed to stretch, challenge and inspire.

11 November 2017 – Big Voices English/Drama

18 November 2017 – Sporting Superstars

13 January 2018 – Thinking Skills

20 January 2018 – Crash, Bang, Sing!

27 January 2018 – 'Orrible 'Istory!

The sessions are free and run from 9am -12 noon. Places are limited so please book online in advance on [www.cranfordhouse.net/information/stretch](http://www.cranfordhouse.net/information/stretch)

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### **Christmas Cricket Camp**

Please find attached details on the Christmas cricket camp being held at the Oratory school in December.

## **SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES FOR THE YEAR**

Nativity – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December – 4.00pm

Nativity – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – 6.00pm

Christingle service – 14<sup>th</sup> December – 6.00pm Christchurch Centre, Henley

Christmas Fayre – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December -3.30pm-5.30pm – Stoke Row Village Hall

### **Parents Evenings**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 3.30pm-6.00pm (child led)

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 3.30pm-6.00pm (child led)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018 3.30pm-5.00pm (parent only)

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018 5.00pm-8.00pm (parent only)

Pancake Day – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – 2.00pm

Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Grandparent's Day – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018 1.00pm – 3.15pm

Easter Service – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2018 1.00pm

Stars at the Well (whole school event) – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018 7.00pm

River Class play – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2018 1.30pm

River Class play – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 6.00pm

Ocean Class play – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018 1.30pm

Ocean Class play – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018 6.00pm

Sports Day – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018 1.30pm (back up Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July)

Leaver's Service – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018 1.00pm

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### **FOSRS**

#### **FOSRS dates:**

Bags 2 School – Tuesday 21st November at 8.40am

School Disco – Friday 24th November 5pm – 6pm (KS1) & 6.15pm – 7.30pm (village hall)

FOSRS PTA meeting – Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November – 7.30pm at The Cherry Tree pub

First draw for 100 Club – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Raindrop class cake sale – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018

River class cake sale – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Bubble class cake sale – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018

#### **School Disco organised by FOSRS**

Our school disco is going to be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November at the village hall. The disco is split into two sessions. Bubble and Raindrop children from 5pm – 6pm and River and Ocean class 6.15pm-7.30pm. Tickets are available on the night on the door, £4.00 per child which includes a drink and snack. Glowsticks will be available to buy at £1.00 each. Please come along and enjoy disco-ing with Bertie Slippers who will be running the entertainment all night.

#### **Bags2School – Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

Our next Bags2School collection will be on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November at 8.40am to 9.00am. This is a fantastic fundraiser for the school which we participate in twice yearly. Please collect your unwanted clothes, paired shoes and good quality curtains, bedding and towels. Last year we raised over £300 from our two collections.

#### **Children in Need – next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

FOSRS will be helping organise afternoon tea and cakes in the village hall from 1pm-2.30pm for Children in Need. Please pop in and enjoy a cake and cuppa whilst catching up with friends. If you can donate a cake for the event or help set up, please let Lou know in the school office.

#### **Ocean Class Cake Sale**

Well done to Ocean Class who raised a fabulous £109.90 at their recent cake sale. A big thank you to class reps, Joanna and Jenny for organising this.

#### **100 Club – have you bought your numbers? – 40 more numbers still to sell!!!**

Vanessa Jones is selling our 100 Club numbers for the next year. Please purchase a number from Vanessa. The cost is £1 a month payable in total for the year (£12) and you have a chance of winning £25 cash each month. The 100 Club money will go towards buying four large rugs for each of the classrooms. We need to sell ALL numbers to be able to do this. The first draw is on December 1<sup>st</sup> and will be a roll-over for October, November and December.

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### **Christmas Fayre – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at the village hall**

Our Christmas fayre will be held at the village hall this year on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm-5.30pm. Please pop along after pick-up and support our second biggest fundraiser of the year. All family, friends and local community people are welcome to attend. Father Christmas will be making a visit and we shall have all our favourite festive stalls. FOSRS need helpers to man a stall and help set up and tidy away. Please help us to make this fundraiser a big success.

**We require lots of helpers!** We shall be holding all our favourite stalls – Festive gifts; sweet stalls; hot food; refreshments including mulled wine; The Grotto, Name the Elephant; Tombola and our Christmas raffle. More information will be sent to parents on week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> December about helping and donations we may require. **Please volunteer to help.** We appreciate that everyone will have their children present, but we will involve the children and maybe they could help you serve on a stall?

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