



Stoke Row CE School

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8th December 2017

NEWSLETTER

Reminders: For week commencing 11th December 2017

Monday: NO SWIMMING

Tuesday: 2pm Cross Country – marshals required – please see office. NOT BUBBLE CLASS

Wednesday: **Please bring in your Christingle orange!**

Aspens Christmas Lunch @ 12.00 - please let the office know if you can help serve!

Thursday: Forest School – Bubble Class – am Raindrop Group B – pm

Christingle Service 6-7pm Christchurch Centre, Henley

Friday: Christmas Jumper Day – Non-uniform day! Bring in £1.00

9am Celebration Assembly in the church (note change of time)

3.30pm-5.30pm Christmas Fayre – village hall

Reminders: For week commencing 18th December 2017

Monday:

Tuesday: 8am Last Running Club at the Rec this term

SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 2PM TODAY!

SCHOOL RE-OPENS ON THURSDAY 4th JANUARY 2018 AT 8.40AM

Celebration Assembly – Friday 15th December

Please note that we shall be holding our Celebration Assembly at 9am on Friday 15th December as many parents will be attending Angela Spencer-Harpers' memorial service in the chapel at 3pm that afternoon.

Bubble/Raindrop Class Nativity Play

This week Bubble and Raindrop Class gave two fantastic performances of their nativity 'A King is Born'. They all sang beautifully and said their lines so clearly. We were very proud of them and thoroughly enjoyed watching. Well done to Miss Doe and Miss Siv and all the TAs for all their hard work and to the parents for providing such excellent costumes. Thank you also to Sarah Joyce for being our official photographer and for taking some beautiful pictures of the children on stage. Please see just a small selection below - more photos can be found on our school website.



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Message from Miss Doe

Miss Doe would like to thank all the parents who stayed behind and helped to tidy up the church after the nativity play on Thursday evening.

Maths Challenge – Pangbourne College

On Friday 1st December, Mrs Trevis took four Year 5s along to the Maths Challenge at Pangbourne College. They had a great day as you can see below!



Raindrop Class trip – The Science Centre - Winchester

Last week, Raindrop Class had a fantastic trip to Winchester Science Centre. They explored over 100 hands-on activities and watched a fascinating show in the planetarium. A big thanks to Kerri-Ann Higgins, Laura Poulton, Pam and Mrs Prior for helping us out!

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Reminder – Swimming Lessons – River Class

These resume again on Monday 8th January 2018. Don't forget to bring your swimming kit into school that day.

In case of school closure ...

In extreme weather conditions closure of Stoke Row School will be announced on local radio stations, BBC Radio Oxford (95.2 FM), Heart FM (102.6 or 97.4 FM) and Jack FM (106.8 FM). Parents are asked to listen in to these stations from 7.00am onwards on the day to receive confirmation. A list of schools that are closed, or partially closed, may also be found on the Oxfordshire County Council website (<http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/school-closures>). The Stoke Row School website will also be updated with closure details.

School Photographs

School photos are now available on the website www.ordermyphotos.co.uk . Enter the code 1262 9710 3334 A to view. Parents requesting digital copies should contact Charlotte Snowden directly at www.charlottesnowdenphotography.com or on her mobile 07933 327437.

Reception Admissions

Please see attached flier with regard to reception admissions in 2018. Please apply on-line at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions as this is the most secure way of applying. The closing date of Reception applications is 15th January 2018.

Managing Abusive Parents Policy

We would like to draw your attention to a new policy that Miss Harris, alongside the governors, has put in place regarding parental behaviour towards staff members. It is available on our school website if you would like to read through it and outlines key procedures to deal with any disrespectful behaviour towards our staff members. It can be found at:

<http://www.stokerowschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/SR-Managing-Abusive-Parents-Carers-Visitors-Policy-2017-V00-00.pdf>

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Cool Milk

Our new Cool Milk scheme was successfully launched 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 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.

Running Club

Our last Running Club this term will take place on Tuesday 19th December. Don't forget to bring your Santa hat!

Whole School Cross Country

This will take place at 2pm on the afternoon of Tuesday 12th December. Please ensure that your child has their P-E kit and water bottle in school that day. We are also looking for parents to volunteer to marshall in the woods. Please speak to Sarah (Hazel and Dom's mum) or Elise in the office if you are able to help. Marshalls meet at 1.30pm at the pavilion.

Chiltern Edge Cross Country Series

Races for the New Year are as follows:

Thursday 1st February 12.30pm ready for 1pm start. Team cross country Yr 3/4 combined, yr 5/6 combined. Separate boys and girls teams 6 runners with 4 to count. 1 team per school. To be held at Rotherfield Football Club – more details to follow.

Saturday 24th March. Yrs 1-6 Separate boys/girls races. 10 start. Remember that if you have a child in your car attending the races you do not need to pre-register with the school. If you are turning up just as an Adult in the car, then you must register with the school at office.2450@raf-benson.oxon.sch.uk. For race details please check the RAF Benson Primary School website.

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.

Christmas Jumper Day and Christingle Oranges

Please could all children bring in an orange by Wednesday 13th December to make into their Christingle orange. Your child still needs to bring in an orange even if they are unable to attend the Christingle service. **On Friday 15th December, all children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper of festive top** in aid of 'Save the Children'. This will be a non-uniform day for everyone. Please bring in a suggested donation of £1 to Save the Children.

Christingle Service

Further to our ParentMail regarding attendance at Christingle Service will now take place at the Christchurch Centre, Reading Road, Henley on Thursday 14th December 6-7pm. All children and parents will be expected to arrive by 5.45pm. Please complete the permission form sent on ParentMail to confirm your child's attendance.

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Christmas Fayre

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

Children's Christmas Lunch

The children will be having their Christmas lunch at School on Wednesday 13th 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. **If you do not have an Aspens account you can pay £2.50 to the office directly.**

Stoke Row School Band

Mrs Shipway will be sending another letter shortly about recruiting more members for our school band. If your child plays an instrument in school or outside of school, they may wish to join the band.

Music lessons with Russ Payne and Hazel Carter

Our music lessons with Russ and Hazel have now finished for this term. Lessons begin again on Thursday 11th (Hazel) and Friday 19th January 2018 (Russ).

Music Stands Wanted

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

Wyfold Riding for the Disabled

On Saturday 16th December, Wyfold Riding for the Disabled will be holding their Christmas Bazaar from 12-3pm at Wyfold Stables in Kingwood. Come and see Father Christmas in his Ice Palace, enjoy soup and hot dogs, pony rides, Christmas stalls and children's games. Tickets £3, children under 12 free from Roger Hadaway 01491 681273, Lorraine Maidment 01491 574692 or any member of Wyfold RDA.

AFC Henley – Christmas Football Camp

From Wednesday 20th December until Friday 22nd December 10am-3pm for ages 5-14 years. Cost 1 day £25/2 days £45/3 days £60. Email Jack for 50% sibling discount. Meet at the AFC Henley Clubhouse. Book online at www.afchenley.com or call Jack on 07525 468924.

St Joseph's College – Open Morning

St Joseph's will be holding open mornings on Thursday 25 January, Friday 23 February and Tuesday 13 March from 10.30am – 12.00pm. To reserve your place please call Admissions on 0118 984 6910 or email admissions@sjcr.org.uk.

Saturday Morning Masterclasses

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

13 January 2018 – Thinking Skills

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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

SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES FOR THE YEAR

Christingle service – 14th December – 6.00pm Christchurch Centre, Henley
Christmas Fayre – Friday 15th December -3.30pm-5.30pm – Stoke Row Village Hall

Parents Evenings

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 – 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

FOSRS

FOSRS dates:

Raindrop class cake sale – Thursday 18th January 2018

River class cake sale – Friday 9th March 2018

Bubble class cake sale – Friday 27th April 2018

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100 Club Winners!

Thank you to everyone who has bought numbers for our 100 Club this year. We had our first roll-over draw and the winners were Kay Hunter (October), Laura Shaw (November) and Donna Fullick (December). Our next draw will be on Friday 5th January 2018.

Christmas Fayre - Friday 15th December at 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Please join us for our Christmas fayre at the village hall on Friday 15th December. All friends and family are welcome and we shall be serving hot dogs and mulled wine. Stalls include sweet stall, festive gifts, tombola and all our traditional Christmas stalls. Please park along the road as there will be so many parents attending.

Christmas raffle 'hampers'.

Thank you to everyone who has donated a lovely gift for the hamper. We really do appreciate the gifts that have been donated. Please return all your raffle tickets by Tuesday 12th December including unsold tickets. Tickets are only 50p and we ask that you sell them to your family and friends.

Father Christmas & The Grotto - sign up!

If your child has signed up for the grotto, we will pin up a timetable of allocated slots for children to meet Father Christmas. Please bring £2.50 with you to your visit for pay to meet Father Christmas and receive a grotto gift.

Tombola items required

We are desperately in need of some good quality (nothing used please!) for the tombola. We shall be collecting adult and child gifts - please drop off in the box into the office. Sorry, but we cannot accept cuddly toys!

Helpers required for the Christmas Fayre!

Can you help serve? Everyone will be there with their children and so we ask parents also volunteer to help on a stall. We require people to decorate the grotto on Friday 15th afternoon and tidy up. We also need people to assist our FOSRS team serving refreshments and hot food. If you can help, please let Lou or Sophie know or email FOSRS at fosrs@hotmail.com

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