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## Stoke Row School Fortnightly Newsletter (11<sup>th</sup> February – 4<sup>th</sup> March 22)

### What's coming up this fortnight

Date	Class	Event
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	River	Trip to Oxford Museum
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Spanish Class	Cancelled this week
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	KS2	A new sporting event – Boccia.
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term	School re-opens on Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Pancake Day – 2pm	Return to school after half term with a pancake! Races will be held on the Village Green. More details will be sent to parents directly.
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Ocean	Bikeability. More details will be sent to parents directly.
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	All	World Book Day! Dress up as your favourite book character. Activities throughout the school.
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	All	Bring in your items for the Pre-Loved Sale and leave them in the church
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	All	Pre-Loved sale in the church. Come along and bag a sustainable bargain and a cuppa

### Sporting Events

The following upcoming sporting events will be taking place soon.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb Boccia – a new sporting event for KS2. Mrs Poulton will be in touch

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – pancake day! Races on the village green. A ParentMail will be sent nearer the time.

### Reminders

Celebration assembly is now held on Friday morning at 9.05am every week. The zoom link meeting ID is 874 0822 6865, passcode 242295.

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### Breakfast and after school club news

- ✓ Spanish Club is cancelled on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Please collect your child at the normal time.
- ✓ Breakfast club is available on Monday and Wednesday from 8am at £4 per session. To book your sessions please email the school: [office.3206@stoke-row.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3206@stoke-row.oxon.sch.uk)
- ✓ Rapa club (afterschool club) is available Monday to Thursday and is now back at school. Please contact Tracey Westall-Reece ([rapa.round.care@gmail.com](mailto:rapa.round.care@gmail.com)) or the office for further details

### Useful information

- ✓ The school office can now collect your printer ink cartridges for recycling. There will be a box in the office which will be collected every quarter, for which the school will receive a payment. Toner and laser cartridges are not part of the scheme unfortunately.
- ✓ There are currently some spaces left on the Mental Health Awareness workshop for parents and carers to be held by Oxfordshire Youth on 1<sup>st</sup> March. This is 5.30-7pm online and is free for all Oxfordshire residents. You just need to enter the first part of your postcode into the PROMO code box to avoid being charged. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-awareness-for-oxfordshire-parents-and-carers-tickets-147802211393>

### Friends of Stoke Row School (FOSRS) – call for support

Thanks to everyone who has signed up to support our big fundraisers. We **STILL NEED MORE HELPERS** in order to run the events we'd like to. Please do sign up here [volunteersignup.org/9KYEA](http://volunteersignup.org/9KYEA) and pledge to help. Without you we cannot run these events and the school will miss out on vital funds. See the calendar below for the proposed dates.

#### Pre-loved sale

We'll be holding a Pre-Loved Sale on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March, before the next bags2school event (9<sup>th</sup> March) to sell some of the good quality items we receive. This gives a fantastic opportunity to renew your wardrobe in a sustainable way! Please do donate your unwanted items and think of us if you are having a clear out. FOSRS would be happy to store your clothes, bags, shoes, belts, bed linen, curtains and soft toys until the day if you don't have enough space to keep them. And don't forget to come along on the day. The Church will be providing refreshments.

#### Calendar for the rest of the year

INSET Days: Friday 8th April 2022 and Monday 6th June 2022

- Pancake Day: Tuesday 1st March
- World Book Day: Thursday 3rd March
- Pre-Loved Sale: Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March

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- Bags2School: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March
- Parents evenings (no children): Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 4.00-7.00pm and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 3.30-6.00pm.
- Non-uniform day: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> or Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March
- Quiz Night: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March
- Easter Wreath Making workshop: Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April
- Easter service Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 9.00am
- Scarecrow Trail: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April
- Colour Run: May TBC
- Jubilee picnic (organised by the village): Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June
- Non-uniform Day: Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> or Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June
- Stars at the well Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 6.00pm
- Summer Fair: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June
- Sport's Day: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 9.00am
- Wootcote Rally: 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> July
- KS2 play: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 6.00-7.00pm and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 6.00-7.00pm
- Motorsports Day: Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July
- Leaver's Service: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 1.00pm

### General reminders

- ✓ Please make sure your child comes to school with a warm coat, hat and gloves to keep them warm at break and lunch times. Please also ensure all children have a water bottle.
- ✓ If your child is unable to attend school due to sickness or medical / dentist appointments please contact the school office directly (either by email or telephone) or use the absence reporting tool on ParentMail. You will need to inform the office on a daily basis that your child is not going to be in school and also remember to cancel any lunches you have ordered with Aspens.
- ✓ Please let the office know of any changes of address, phone, mobiles, emails etc to help keep details up to date.

### Raising money whilst you shop

- ✓ It is easy to raise money for the School whilst you shop. Register Friends of Stoke Row School as your preferred charity on Amazon Smile and sign up to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) . You can shop at a number of major retailers via easyfundraising and a donation is made each time you shop (nominate Friends of Stoke Row School as your chosen charity).

### Second Hand School Clothes 'Shop'

- ✓ We have a good range of stock now available at the Second Hand 'Shop' including school branded jumpers, t-shirts and PE clothes as well as trousers, skirts and dresses. We also have

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a number of book bags, trainers, wellies and school shoes. If you need anything or have any good condition school clothes you'd like to donate, get in touch with Rachael 07834 781846. All items are free, but a donation to FOSRS would be appreciated.

### Village News

Bubble mum Sophie Loeber is running pilates classes at the pavilion on Monday and Thursday evenings and Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Get in touch with her on [sophie@lobsterpilates.com](mailto:sophie@lobsterpilates.com).

### Highlights from the last fortnight of School

Year 5/6 girls took part in the Langtree girls football competition on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb and won!! Stoke Row, Whitchurch, Nettlebed, Goring and Woodcote were all there and the girls played superbly bringing home a magnificent trophy. They showed great team work and spirit and we are so proud of them. Well done girls!



Bubble Class had a fantastic party to celebrate Chinese New Year on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb. They tried Chinese food, made a dragon and opened fortune cookies.



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Ocean Class were entered into a prize draw following their fantastic fundraising efforts (£130!) on behalf of Guide Dogs, and won! The prize was a visit from a Guide Dog puppy on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February. What a cutie!



It was Well-being and Internet Safety week from 7-11<sup>th</sup> February with lots of interesting events going on throughout the week.

River class have created some wonderful art work inspired by Lowry and Raindrop class have been telling stories to their furry friends and writing down their own stories as part of Story Telling Week.

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