



St John's Stonefold Primary School Newsletter

Friday 3 November 2023



At St John's Stonefold Primary School, we reflect many Christian Values. We also focus on our 'Core Values' of **Empathy, Aspiration, Generosity, Love and Endurance**.

Our School Motto is based on Ephesians 3: 17-19,
'Rooted and Established in God's Love: Nurture, Grow, Fly'

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to a very busy half term ahead. As the darker nights draw in, please ensure children wear reflective clothing so that they are safe when crossing the road.

We also ask that children come to school with all items at the start of the day – water bottles, lunches, kits, etc so that there is less disruption in the office and to learning in class.

Please can families work to build organisational skills at home so that children are able to be more independent when changing for PE, etc. This would help us enormously to ensure children are able to make the most of lesson time. Thank you.

Best wishes

Frances Brady
Headteacher

Katie Isherwood
Deputy Head

CLASSES	★ ★ English Award and Learner of the Week Award.★	<u>The School's Attendance Target is 96%</u>
EAGLETS	Isla & Willow	98.5%
AVOCET	Jacob C & Presley	97.22%
GOLDCREST	Reece & Haniya	96.74%
LAPWING	Lewis & Henry	93.5%
EAGLE	Hira & Oliver A	91.88%
This week's Value Award – Quality: Empathy		
EAGLETS	Charlie has shown empathy towards her friend as she could emotionally understand what her friend was feeling when she lost her poppy.	
AVOCET	Nellie - When a child was feeling upset, Nellie walked over to them and asked them if they were ok and if they would like to sit next to her at lunch time. She made sure the child felt comforted and happy.	
GOLDCREST	Jack is an incredible boy! He shows great empathy towards all children in both the classroom and around school. Children actively go to Jack for help and support if they need it. Jack will always make sure that they are ok and bring them to a grown up if needed. He has a heart of gold and we are so lucky to have him at Stonefold!	
LAPWING	Edward- Always going above and beyond in being a kind and considerate friend to everyone around him	

EAGLE

Evie – putting herself in someone’s shoes in a daunting situation

Team Points Winner this week

OAK

Class Attendance Winner this week

EAGLETS



PICNIC BENCHES ON THE PLAYGROUND



Children must be supervised at all times

Please can parents closely supervise their children when on the playground in a morning, as we have seen many children climbing on the picnic benches. Children have been standing on the seats as well as climbing onto the top of the table. This is dangerous, and we also want the children to respect school property.



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

School admissions are now open for children due to start primary or secondary school in **September 2024** at: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

Please note the online system went live on **Friday 1 September 2023**.

Closing dates are:

Primary School – 15th January 2024

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - ATTENDANCE - PLEASE READ

Attendance Matters

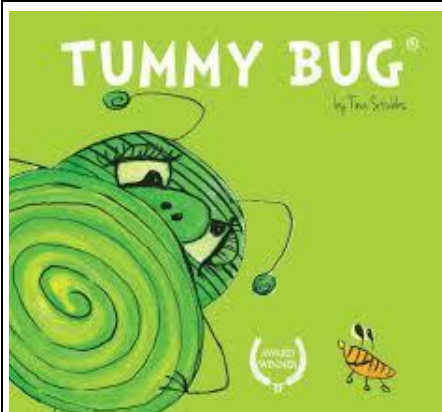


Every Day Counts....

Due to the latest government initiative, school is tracking absences rigorously. We always appreciate it when parents are honest with school when reporting their child’s absence from school.

We will now therefore require medical confirmation as part of our duty in this regard when medical absences are reported to school and we have information that families are actually on holiday.

We look forward to working in partnership with parents to build an honest relationship to ensure good attendance at school.



SICKNESS & DIARRHOEA & SCHOOL:

If your child has a sickness and/or diarrhoea bug please make sure that you do not bring them to school. Children with these types of illness need to stay away from school until 48 hours after the last episode.



Vomiting and diarrhoea?



There's no specific cure for stomach bugs like **norovirus**. Treat yourself at home while the virus runs its course.



FOODBANK

Don't forget – we have a foodbank collection in school – please do make donations as you are able – Father David will be able to collect these as St James' Church is a hub for this purpose.



If you are struggling at all with the cost of living and providing food at home, please get in touch – we are able to refer our parents to the foodbank or to Father David who can help.

Breakfast and After School Club

We have wonderful wrap-around provision in school - breakfast club starts from 7.45am and is only £5 including breakfast. After school club is from the end of the school day until 5.45pm and costs £8 including a snack for the children. Please do consider this as your 'go-to' for care for your child - it can be booked in advance on our school money app or phone school if it is a short notice booking. For this provision to continue, we need parents to utilise the clubs so that they are viable for the future. Thank you.



ACTIVITIES AT AFTER SCHOOL CLUB W.C 6 NOVEMBER 2023

Monday	Introducing the Snowmen
Tuesday	Rice Crispy Buns
Wednesday	Draw with Rob
Thursday	Snowmen
Friday	Bonfire Toffee



REMEMBER TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE REGULARLY FOR NEWS ITEMS AND PHOTOGRAPHS!!

Time for Reflection



Rooted and Established in God's Love – Nurture, Grow, Fly



INTERNET SAFETY

After two decades of holding the official FIFA licence, EA Sports football video game series has embarked on a solo run at goal. This season's iteration marks the debut appearance of a new name and branding, but don't let those fool you – EA FC 24 is still a very similar proposition to FIFA 23. Popular features such as Ultimate Team remain a big focus.

Visit our online webpage for more details

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates	Time	Event
Wednesday 8 November	Am	RECEPTION CHILDREN – VISION
Friday 10 November	11.30-12 midday	SARA BRITCLIFFE TO SEE EAGLE CLASS
Wednesday 15-17 November		ROBINWOOD RESIDENTIAL – YEAR 6 TRIP
Friday 24 November		LAPWING ASSEMBLY – more information to follow
Wednesday 29 November		PARENTS EVENING – more information to follow
Friday 1 December		WHOLE SCHOOL PANTO – please pay on SCHOOL MONEY and complete the consent form online
Thursday 7 December	TBA	WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT
Friday 8 December	3.00-5.00 pm	CHRISTMAS FAIR
Tuesday 12 December	TBA	'The Stars come out for Christmas' EVENING PERFORMANCE – CHRISTMAS SHOW

PLEASE NOTE THAT NEW DATES MAY BE ADDED TO THIS LIST

Coming Soon.....Christmas Events Poster.....