



St John's Stonefold Primary School Newsletter

Friday 1 December 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

What a busy week! We are so grateful to everyone for working together in the midst of all the traffic chaos this week – thankfully we have managed to continue as normal in school with little impact on lessons. Thank you to parents for persevering and getting the children to school – even a little late!

We are now entering the season of advent and are working to be kind to one another as we prepare for the arrival of Jesus on Christmas Day. During advent, help us to help our children understand that we are all role models of our school values and that we should seek to illustrate these in all we say and do every day.

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	Darcie & Elliot	96.48%
AVOCET	Ren & Rico	98.15%
GOLDCREST	Taya & Luca	96.74%
LAPWING	Georgia & Ethan	91%
EAGLE	Eli & Hussain	93.13%

This week's Value Award – Quality: **ENDURANCE**

EAGLETS	Skylar's progress in phonics has been amazing, she has kept on going no matter what, I am so proud of her achievement.
AVOCET	Lillie for always giving everything a go even when she might find it challenging. For never giving up and always putting in 100% effort with a smile on her face.
GOLDCREST	James has shown great endurance during our assessment week. Not only has he completed the Year 3 arithmetic paper, but he also wanted to challenge himself to the Year 4 paper! I am very proud of all the hard work and effort James has put into his learning this week. Well done!
LAPWING	Jesse: For never giving up with his learning even when things are challenging!
EAGLE	Max - for showing grit and determination to complete your work to the best of your ability

Team Points Winner this week

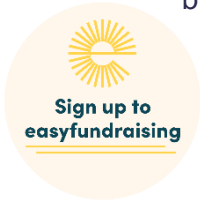
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Class Attendance Winner this week

AVOCET



EASY FUNDRAISING: St John's Stonefold School has joined Easyfundraising, this is an easy way for school to generate funds by parents doing everyday shopping, any special gift shopping or buying a holiday etc.....



HOW IT WORKS - We turn your daily shopping into every day magic! easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Brands pay us a commission because when you start your shop from the easyfundraising website or app, they can see we sent you to them. If you make a purchase, a commission is generated, and we turn that into a donation - magic!

Therefore we are encouraging parents and carers to use the following link to do your everyday shopping and buying any gifts or any purchase...

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-johns-stonefold-ce-primary-school>

Thanks in advance for your support!

CHILDREN KEEPING CLEAN IN SCHOOL!

Some of our children are enjoying their lunches so much that it is covering their faces as well as filling their tummies! I am sure you will support us in our efforts to keep the children clean as we wipe their faces with sensitive wipes to ensure they are comfortable for the afternoon and their skin is clean and not irritated by dry food.

If you have any objections to our staff wiping your child's face free of food at the end of their lunchtime, please get in touch. Otherwise, we will continue to ensure our children are clean and comfortable for their afternoons in school by wiping their faces if necessary. Thank you



COATS, HATS & SCARVES!



We are happy to see our children wrapped up warm in the cold weather. So that they do not lose their items, please make sure you send your child with their coats, hats and scarves all labelled.

Thank you!

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



FOODBANK FOR CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Don't forget – we have a foodbank collection in school - please do make donations as you are able **IN PREPARATION FOR OUR CHRISTMAS DONATION FOR LOCAL FAMILIES**



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 £9 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 4 DECEMBER 2023

Monday	Our 15 days of Christmas
Tuesday	Making Trees
Wednesday	Quiz Night
Thursday	Glitter Time
Friday	More Melting Snowman



If you ever need to contact the after school club staff at the end of the school day regarding collection - please ring the main school number 01706 216706 – Thank you!

EAGLETS WERE VISITED BY THE POLICE THIS WEEK – MORE PICTURES ARE ON THE WEBSITE



INTERNET SAFETY

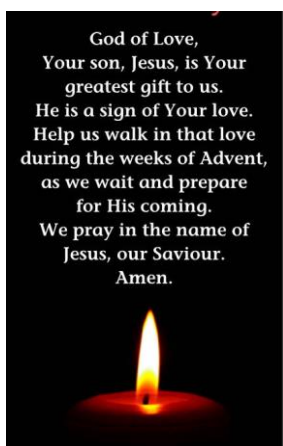


Apple debuted the first iPad in 2010 and it remains the best-selling tablet to this day. Although Apple doesn't offer a child-specific version, iPads are hugely popular with youngsters due to their ease of use and endless choice of apps. There's a selection of models, with different-sized screens and distinct features – including the standard iPad; the iPad Air; the iPad Pro; and iPad mini.

Visit our online safety webpage for more information

<https://www.stonefold.lancs.sch.uk/online-safety/>

Time for Reflection



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates	Time	Event
Saturday 2 December	2 - 4 pm	MESSY CHURCH EVENT AT ST JAMES' HASLINGDEN CHURCH
Thursday 7 December	9 am	WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT
Friday 8 December	2 - 4 pm	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Fair
Monday 11 December		DRESS REHEARSAL FOR Christmas Show
Tuesday 12 December	1.30 pm and 6.00 pm	'The Stars come out for Christmas' AFTERNOON & EVENING PERFORMANCE – CHRISTMAS SHOW – KS2 – TICKETED EVENT – 2 tickets per family, per show
Wednesday 13 December	Lunchtime	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 20 December	All day	Christmas Party – wear your party clothes to school
Thursday 21 December	2.00 pm	Carol Service with Nativity show & songs – KS1 – TICKETED EVENT
Friday 22 December	1.30 pm	School will close at 1.30 pm
Tuesday 9 January 2024	8.45 am	School re-opens
Monday 15 January 2024		Last date to apply for Primary School place for your child

PLEASE NOTE THAT NEW DATES MAY BE ADDED TO THIS LIST

PLEASE ALSO CHECK OUR CHRISTMAS EVENTS LIST – THANK YOU

School Vision: *Our vision is to live and grow together as a loving church school family, who celebrate one another's individuality. Built upon our shared Christian values, St John's provides our children with teaching of a bespoke and innovative curriculum, empowering them to flourish with the knowledge and skills for life. From our vision, we inspire our children to have uncompromising aspirations and to thrive and succeed.*