



St John's Stonefold Primary School Newsletter



Friday 26 January 2024

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

Another week goes by and it seems we are racing towards another half term! With two weeks to go, help us to make every second count and encourage our children to prioritise their learning. Reading at home, completing homework tasks, talking to children about the news, discussing their learning each day and encouraging them to reflect on their success each week will greatly help with this aim.

Have a wonderful weekend building memories with your families and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday morning.

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	Willow & Darcie	98%
AVOCET	Millie D & Leo H	98.52%
GOLDCREST	Reece & Owen	99.58%
LAPWING	Ethan & Arlo	94.62%
EAGLE	Scarlet & Lilly W	96%
This week's Value Award – Quality: GENEROSITY		
EAGLETS	Ellis has such a kind heart, she models how to share resources in class, is always friendly and willing to be there for others.	
AVOCET	Max for sharing his wonderful ideas during DT this week and being generous with his materials.	
GOLDCREST	Jack as he said that he thought that his friend should get a Christian Values award as he had told Jack that he was really pleased for him that he had got his pen licence. He also came into class and asked me if I needed any help with marking work and carrying the books.	
LAPWING	Logan is a lovely boy and would go above and beyond to help all his peers. He is kind and generous with ALL of his friends at ALL times!	
EAGLE	Evie - for always showing generosity by giving your time and help to others in school - you do this in a mature and sensible way.	

Team Points Winner this week	MAPLE
Class Attendance Winner this week	GOLDCREST



WE NEED A PARENT GOVERNOR!

Unfortunately, we had no nominations for anyone to apply to be a parent governor. Therefore, new information and nomination forms have been sent to parents this week. If you would like to nominate yourself – please apply by completing and sending the NOMINATION FORM via email to office@sjstonefold.com by 12 noon on Monday 5 February 2024.

FOSS VALENTINE Disco!!!

Come along to our Valentine Disco on Thursday 8 February.

VALENTINE DISCO



**EYFS/KS1 disco 6pm-7pm
KS2 disco 7.15pm-8.15pm**

Cost - £3.00. This is for entry and includes a hot dog and drink.

Please send your money in a named envelope to the school office.

Tickets will not be issued this time - all children will have their name on a list for entry and hot dog & drink purposes!

PARENT APP TIPS:

You may have noticed on the **CONTENT** part of the APP that you are able to submit absences and appointment dates and times. The **CONTENT** section also links you directly to our website, shows our school menu, term dates, events and your child's class pages etc as well as SCHOOL MONEY/EDUSPOT. It is also a good idea to 'refresh' your APP from time to time – to do this please go to **CONTENT** and use the 'refresh' symbol in the top right corner. If you need to add another parent or grandparent to the APP – please go to **PROFILE** (along the bottom) and add them here. As always if you have any difficulties – please let the school office know and we will help you!

Attendance Matters

Don't forget school now opens at 8.45 am – **registration is at 8.50 am** – **DON'T BE LATE!!** Please note the new start of day time – this is 5 minutes earlier than previously expected.



Every Day Counts....

HELPFUL TIPS: To ensure you child arrives at school on time:

- Make sure he/she gets enough sleep.
 - Makes sure he/she has an alarm clock.
 - Make sure he/she has clothes ready the night before.
 - Ensure he/she packs bags the night before, including swimming and PE kits.
 - Try and arrange all dental and medical appointments outside school hours wherever possible



Attendance Tips for Parents:

- Set a regular bed time
- Lay out clothes the night before
- Develop backup plans
- Schedule medical appointments for non-school days

DON'T FORGET

PE KITS IN SCHOOL!!

Parents: Please can you make sure that your child has a PE kit in school every week please?



DODGEBALL TEAM:

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children took part in a Dodgeball event last week. They did really well and showed great sportsmanship – they came 3rd on the night. Well done!!

SAFE PARKING AROUND SCHOOL - AGAIN

For some time, school has been requesting that parents **DO NOT** park in the staff parking area – however, we continue to have difficulties with this each day. Please do not park in the staff parking area at the front of school. Also, please adhere to the parking guides around school – it is important that our children are safe, able to walk on the pathways around school without cars blocking the way and also cross the road with clear visibility (ie – without cars parked illegally in the way). This is now becoming a serious issue - please help to keep everyone safe by parking safely and legally – even if it means parking a distance from school and walking in. Thank you, Miss Brady.



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.



While school is always happy to accommodate parents with emergency/'on the day' bookings, where possible, please could all parents try to book and pay for the breakfast and after school club in advance using the EDUSPOT/SCHOOL MONEY SYSTEM, this helps school with staffing and planning for the week ahead.



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!

INTERNET SAFETY

Roblox is one of the most popular games on the market. It offers a huge amount of creative freedom: it lets players create their own player experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games which can be shared with other players online.



Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

Visit our online safety webpage for more information
<https://www.stonefold.lancs.sch.uk/online-safety/>



FOODBANK COLLECTION

Don't forget – we have a foodbank collection in school - please do make donations as you are able
 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.



Time for Reflection

Prayer for Peace

Peace go with you.
 God's quiet within the noise.
 God's hope within uncertainty.
 God's rest within the toil.
 God's presence within your soul.
 Peace go with you.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates	Time	Event
Monday 29 January 2024	All Day	Year 3 children taking part in ALTOGETHER PROJECT IN BURNLEY
Tuesday 30 January 2024		HEIGHTS & WEIGHTS CHECK RECEPTION CHILDREN
Friday 2 February 2024		GOLDCREST CLASS ASSEMBLY
Thursday 8 February 2024		FOSS (PTFA) VALENTINE DISCO
Monday 5 February 2024	12 noon	Last date to NOMINATE YOURSELF TO BE A PARENT GOVERNOR
Friday 9 February 2024	3.20 pm	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM
Monday 19 February 204	8.45 am	SCHOOL RE-OPENS

PLEASE NOTE THAT NEW DATES MAY BE ADDED TO THIS LIST

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.*