



St John's Stonefold Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15 March 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

We have had a lot of news this week with the notice of the appointment of our new Headteacher Mr Paul Burns from September and our visit from Elaine Bowers, SIAMS Inspector, next Tuesday! We are excited to look forward to our school growing and changing and building on its firm foundation in the future.

Please can we request that parents take additional care when parking around school – we still have serious concerns relating to safety and need everyone to work together to ensure our children are safe.

With only 2 weeks now left before our Easter break, please continue to explore your child's learning with them at home and encourage them to give their best every day.

Frances Brady

Katie Isherwood

Headteacher

Deputy Head

| CLASSES | ★ English Award and ★ Learner of the Week Award | The School's Attendance Target is 96% |
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| EAGLETS | Lily & Jacob | 97.6% |
| AVOCET | Maya & Leo P | 95.19% |
| GOLDCREST | Carter & Jude | 97.5% |
| LAPWING | Aubrey & Klay | 95.77% |
| EAGLE | Evie & Noah | 96% |
| This week's Value Award – Quality: LOVE | | |
| EAGLETS | Oscar, he has demonstrated our school value of love by giving all that he can to support and care for his class friends. Oscar shows love to all your school resources and applies this within his work as he always tries his best. | |
| AVOCET | Myles - always showing the most kindness, compassion and love to all children and adults around him. We are very lucky to have someone as kind-hearted as Myles in class. | |
| GOLDCREST | Ellis shows a love of learning and really cares about his presentation in all of his books and he always likes to check that his learning is correct showing great care for what he is doing. He has completed some beautifully presented work in both maths and English this week. | |
| LAPWING | Alice is very caring, kind and will go above and beyond to support her friends. She is helpful and considerate to friends and adults. | |
| EAGLE | Max - for showing love towards others in school and recognising other people's qualities and acting upon it. | |

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| Team Points Winner this week | BLOSSOM |
| Class Attendance Winner this week | EAGLETS |



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.

SCHOOL UNIFORM CHANGES AT ST JOHN'S STONEFOLD FROM SEPTEMBER 2024:



School is introducing a **white short sleeved shirt** (widely available from supermarkets) **and a tie and v-necked jumper with school logo**. Girls are also able to wear a cardigan with school logo. All other uniform will remain the same.

Our current YELLOW polo shirts with school logo will be used up (for this year only) as PE KIT – and will be worn along with the usual black tracksuit trousers or shorts.

We will endeavour to get more pictures of our new uniform to parents as soon as possible.

The **new school elasticated tie and v-necked jumper with school logo** will be available from our usual uniform suppliers, Abbey Street in Accrington and Whittakers at Oswaldtwistle Mills and Blackburn.



DON'T FORGET

VERY IMPORTANT: PE KITS IN SCHOOL!! CHARGES NOW APPLY



Children should have PE kits in at the start of each half term, **they stay in school and only go home at the end of the half term for washing.**


If a child forgets their kit, they will be loaned a kit and charged a £2 washing fee as a result as we have found that too many children are relying on school kits and this is now becoming a burden.

For any clubs after school, children should wear their own PE clothes, not their school kit, so that their kit remains in school at all times. Thank you for your help and support to improve our children's organisation and ensure they are ready for their learning in PE.

PARKING CONCERNS CONTINUE – PLEASE PARK SAFELY



UK HEALTH ADVISE FOR PARENTS:



Measles: How to Stay Safe

The best protection is 2 doses of the safe, effective MMR vaccine at 1 year of age, and 3 years, 4 months

If you have not had two doses, you can get them **free** from your GP surgery

Know the symptoms! Keep people with symptoms away from others

Call ahead before going to A&E or your GP

Symptoms

- Rash
- Temperature
- Runny Nose
- Red Eyes
- Cough

UK Health Security Agency guidance number: 2023006. Download only resource: www.gov.uk/government/uploads/attachments/2023006.pdf

HAF ROSSENDALE – HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD

For more information and to register visit www.rltrust.co.uk/haf



In Rosendale, we are running a **free holiday club programme** for children and young people who receive free school meals.

Come and enjoy fun activities, healthy meals, meet new people and learn new skills.

Sessions run from **Tuesday 2nd-Friday 5th April** and **Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th April**

Limited spaces available on each activity.

For more information & to register visit www.rltrust.co.uk/haf

Participants are not required to stay for sessions unless requested to do so. All attendees to any primary school open session (December - 1st Feb) must be signed in and signed out each day.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME

Rosendale Learning Trust
Department for Education

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

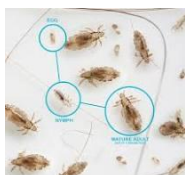
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| Monday | More Picture Puzzles |
| Tuesday | Easter Buns |
| Wednesday | Draw with Rob |
| Thursday | Easter Cards |
| Friday | Making Flapjacks |



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!



PLEASE CHECK FOR HEAD LICE & NITS EVERY WEEK!!

Please help everyone in school by checking your child's hair for **HEAD LICE OR NITS** – It is really important that we all work together to eradicate this problem!

Thank you in advance for your help!!



WATER FOUNTAIN GOING AFTER EASTER!



Just to remind parents that after Easter, children will be unable to access water from the water fountain, only from the taps in school. Therefore, please ensure children come to school with full water bottles from home for the day ahead. Please make sure that the water bottle has your child's name on!

INTERNET SAFETY



For children and young people, low-quality sleep can become a serious issue. It has been theorised that poor sleep can have a significant impact on children’s brain development, affecting them for the rest of their lives. A healthy – and consistent - sleeping pattern, therefore, is incredibly important for children and young people’s wellbeing.

With the stresses and distractions that can present themselves to youngsters, it can be tricky to ensure they’re in the best mindset to wind down in the evenings for the rejuvenating rest that they need. The right approach, however, can give them a better chance of cultivating a healthy sleeping pattern. Our guide has some practical tips on helping them to achieve exactly that.

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

| <u>Dates</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Event</u> |
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| Saturday 16 March 2024 | | St Thomas’ Musbury Church Hall – Messy Easter Play |
| Tuesday 19 March 2024 | All day | SIAMS INSPECTION OF SCHOOL |
| Friday 22 March 2024 | 9.00 am | AVOCET ASSEMBLY |
| Thursday 28 March 2024 | 1.30 pm | LAST DAY – SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR EASTER BREAK EARLY |
| Monday 15 April 2024 | 8.50 am | Back to school after Easter Break |
| Thursday 2 May 2024 | | INSET DAY – POLLING DAY SCHOOL CLOSED |
| Monday 6 May 2024 | | MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY |
| Friday 24 May 2024 | 3.20 pm | LAST DAY – SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR MAY HALF TERM |
| Monday 3 June 2024 | 8.50 am | Back to school after May Half Term |
| Friday 7 June 2024 | ALL DAY | BAMBOO THEATRE – WATERFOOT – YEAR 3, 4 & 5 SUMMER TRIP |
| Tuesday 11 June 2024 | ALL DAY | GO APE – YEAR 6 SUMMER TRIP |
| Friday 14 June 2024 | ALL DAY | BLACKPOOL SEALIFE – YEAR R, 1 & 2 SUMMER TRIP |
| Friday 19 July 2024 | 1.30 pm | LAST DAY – SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER EARLY |

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.*