



# STOW-ON-THE-WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY No 3, 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers

### Storm Eunice

I am very sorry to shut the school today. As you know we are keen to stay open at all times as the children have had so much disruption over the last few terms. However, given the weather warnings in place and all GCC transport ceasing and advice from the local authority to consider closure it seemed the safest option, particularly given our "on the wold" hill top location. I hope that you all stay safe today with no significant disruption and that the children access their learning at home.

I am very grateful to staff for quickly adjusting their plans at such short notice in order to make sure children complete everything for the end of term.

If you have any queries or issues please contact your child's teacher direct via the class email or myself on head@stow-on-the-wold.gloucs.sch.uk and we will gladly help you.

### COVID 19 update

This week we have seen only a few more cases in children throughout the school and no further staff cases, so after half term I am hopeful that everyone will be back in. It has been lovely to see some of the children zooming in to their class lessons too, this is the beauty of having access to remote learning and accessing blended learning opportunities.

### Police Visit

Class One and Two had a fabulous visit from our local community support officers and police officers PC Ward and PCSO John. This visit was arranged as part of our work on internet safety. The children were keen to learn about how to keep safe and enjoyed asking questions to the officers.

We are very lucky to have such amazing local officers.



## Wake up Wednesday

We are part of the National Online Safety community and each week we will be sending you our Wake up Wednesday posters which take a different aspect of staying safe on line and how to behave and react online. Miss Heath has put up a super display in the hall and we will be talking about these posters each week in assemblies to help keep everyone safe and alert online.

## Highway Code and safety on the roads

We have been talking about the recent media interest in the Highway Code and have talked about the three main changes to the code with the juniors. The children in the juniors have also been learning about being safe on the roads and the importance of car drivers prioritising cyclists, horse riders and of course pedestrians.



One a related note, please ensure that if you are driving to school in a car that you are particularly mindful of children and other pedestrians. We do not tolerate any incidents of poor driving near the school and we always report direct to the police if ever anything is reported to us. Please let us know if you see anything that might endanger our children.

## World Book Day

We are gearing up for our fun on world book day. Mrs James has been busy buying all these lovely versions of The Wizard of Oz which is our theme book and the classes will be sharing these texts all week after half term.

We will be taking the different versions of the book as a focus all week for literacy and we will be talking about the values in the book in assembly as well as sharing the work that the children have done in class.

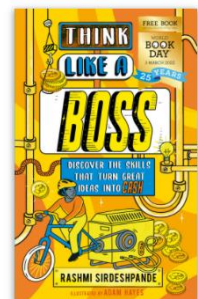
We would like the children to dress up as previously mentioned and we will be hosting the Borsoi Bookshop in school that day. There are more details of costume ideas in last week's letter.



**PEAK PERIL: A High-rise Mystery**  
Sharna Jackson  
Knights Of



**The Wizard and Me: More Misadventures of Bubbles the Guinea Pig**  
Simon Farnaby  
Claire Powell  
Hachette Children's Group



**Think Like a Boss: Discover the skills that turn great ideas into CASH**  
Rashmi Sirdeshpande  
Adam Hayes  
Hachette Children's Group

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

## Bingo night- all proceeds to the PTFA

On Monday 7 March we would like children to wear their own clothes and instead of money bring in bingo night prizes including tea, coffee, biscuits, chocolates, toiletries and of course red wine, white wine or Prosecco so that we can put together some fabulous prizes. The bingo night itself is being run by our fabulous PTFA and is planned for Friday 11 March at 7pm see fliers attached for details and it should be great fun with bar and raffle including a cup cake bouquet hand made by Mrs Leighton and a Swedish or Deep Tissue Massage donated by Mrs Copley. If you have not seen Mrs Leighton's amazing work then check out Coco Wren Cakery on Facebook.



## VALENTINES DAY RAFFLE WINNERS

Today we drew the winners for the Valentine's day raffle and here are the lucky prize winners:

### Raffle winners:

**Class 1 - Grace Cox**

**Class 2 - Kayleigh Chapman**

**Class 3 - Lydia Quiney**

**Class 4 - George Powles**

**Class 5 - Ethan Edwards**

Thank you to everyone who supported the raffle and we are proud to say we made £137 for the children. We will do the attendance awards after half term. I thought you would like to see some heart pictures on the cards made by Class 1 this week



## MUSIC ACROSS THE SCHOOL

This event is now delayed by one week and we know the children will be practising their songs at home over half term ahead of sharing with the rest of the school after half term.

## RAGS TO RICHES

Just a second reminder that we will be accepting black bags at the kitchen doors on Wednesday 2 March so please if you start to have a clear out over the half term, bear us in mind.



### Items that are warmly welcomed:



### Items we do not accept are.



## UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES

### Wednesday 2 March

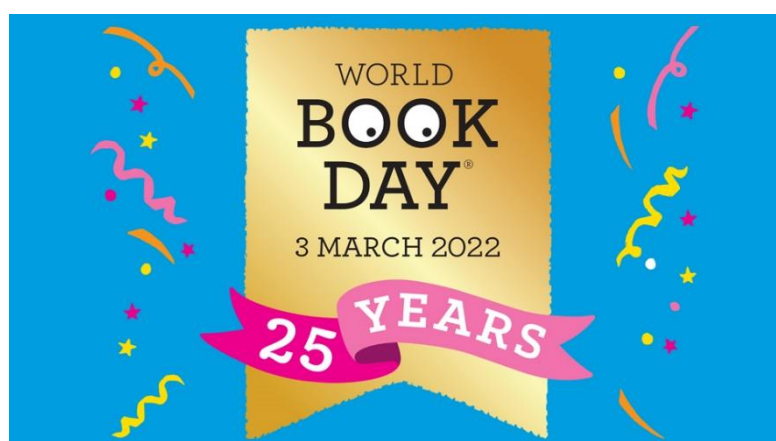
Class 5 with a few Class 4 to Gloucestershire Dance Festival at Cheltenham Town Hall.

### Wednesday 2 March

Rags to riches day - please bring in any old clothes in black bags as we can then turn this into money for the school.

### Thursday 3 March - World Book day - Wizard of Oz theme, we will also be

having a book stall for the world book day vouchers in school and hopefully an author in school that day too in conjunction with Borsoi book shop who will also hopefully be providing an author for us in school around World Book Day.



**Monday 7 March** - non uniform day in lieu of BINGO prizes for the PTFA Bingo night

### Friday March 11 BINGO - adults only

6.45pm doors open for 7pm start at school in the school hall - prosecco and wine bar, raffle of amazing flower bouquet made from beautiful hand crafted cakes donated by Mrs Leighton, and a Swedish or Deep Tissue Massage donated by Mrs Copley. There will be prizes for lines and full house, all welcome £5 a ticket. Either purchase ticket on the night or in advance from the school office.



### STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to our fabulous stars of the week and to everyone who earned a certificate in school this week.

#### Class 1

Parker Molner is this week's star ✨ as he has tried really hard with his work this week, been a fantastic helper and had a great go at his maths challenges yesterday, even being drawn around and measured!

#### Class 2

Star of the week - Tuscany Dunham for making a super effort with her work especially in Phonics.

#### Class 3

Star of the Week - Mollie Tustin for having such a positive and hard working week.

#### Class 4

Star of the week - Reuben Harvey, he was picked by Mr Barnes because he has worked very hard this week. He did some great maths work and produced an outstanding leaflet in geography. Reuben has also been very helpful and polite. He has also been a great role model to the rest of the class.

#### Class 5

Star of the week - Lily-Mae Anderson. Lily-Mae always works incredibly hard, she puts in so much effort into all of the work she completes. She is a caring member of the class and always looks out for others.



**VALUES – these are our three school values and rules). This week, these children have embodied our school rules and values:**

**HAND** (these children have been safe)

All of Class 1 who have been in this week have been nominated for a hand award as they have all been really safe and great helpers making the outdoor area safe before the storm, moving toys, sweeping leaves, and clearing and removing broken things.

Class 2 - Jessica Morris for being sensible and safe.

Class 3 - Oakley Taylor for being a polite and sensible child when doing jobs around the school

Class 5 - Ilya Hoad

**HEART** (these children have been supportive)

Maisie Davis for being kind all day long to everyone in class

**MIND** (these children have persevered in their learning)

Mind - Harry Anderson, despite being at home for half of the week, he has still done the tasks that have been set in class and has attended zoom sessions from home with myself and his peers in school.

Rohan Flaherty for working hard in English

Cayson Perkins for working hard in Maths

**CURRICULUM CERTIFICATES**

Toby Cripps - DT award for his fantastic efforts in making his fimo puffin.

Oscar Clifford - DT award for his great efforts in making his air dry clay polar bear.

Joshua Busby - phonics award for his wonderful efforts in phonics.

Ethan Erwood - reading award for his wonderful effort in a polar bear comprehension.

George Akerman - Art

Peter Perkins - English

Oscar Lawrence - Maths

Poppy Leighton - Maths. Some fantastic progress made this week!

Emma Marais - English

George Powles - Science

**BONUS MERITS**

Pixie White - amazing work on two books written and illustrated at home, well done Pixie.

**HOUSE POINTS**

<b>RED</b>	<b>YELLOW</b>	<b>BLUE</b>	<b>GREEN</b>
<b>216</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>214</b>
<b>204</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>240</b>
<b>235</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>217</b>
<b>139</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>168</b>
<b>151</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>158</b>
<b>285</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>225</b>

So, the winners this week are **AS YET UNKNOWN!!!!** After half term we will work out the overall winners for the half term as they will have a house group treat

If you have any questions or concerns do please ring us on 01451 830784 or email at any time [head@stow-on-the-wold.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:head@stow-on-the-wold.gloucs.sch.uk) or [admin@stow-on-the-wold.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stow-on-the-wold.gloucs.sch.uk) Don't let little worries become big concerns! Please talk to us if we can help in any way or if you have any worries at all.

We hope you have a lovely half term and a good rest with your families. Hopefully you will be able to get out and about and enjoy some time together.

**Together We Can Succeed**

**Rebecca Scutt  
Headteacher**