



# STOW-ON-THE-WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

Welcome to our Easter newsletter, April No2. It has been a really busy week and has started to feel a bit more like normal in school with grandparents coming and our usual Easter activities taking place without restrictions.

#### EASTER EGG HUNT AND PEA SCRAMBLE

**Tuesday 5 April** - our Annual Pea Scramble and Easter Egg hunt took place and was much enjoyed by the children. The red team won the pea scramble collecting 61.3g of dried peas from the field. They were each presented with a chocolate treat in class. The children enjoyed their Easter egg hunt on the field with prizes donated by Tesco and Coop. We are very grateful to Mrs Stubbs for filling all the eggs with tickets! The winners are shown below for the infants and juniors: **Infants - Mia, Oscar, Ethan, Parker, Jasmine, Amelia and Rohan - Juniors Bobby, Harrison, Gracie, William, Ella M, Poppy L, Eric and Mollie.**



All children in school that day enjoyed several chocolate treats at the end of the day for taking part so well. The children were amazing! They all really enjoyed it and the school council are very keen that we do it again next year!





## INFANT EGG HUNT WITH EDWARDSTOW

**Wednesday 6 April** - we were due to go to the woodland area at EdwardStow but due to a COVID outbreak at the care home this was not possible so instead the children did a special egg hunt in our Forest school and every child was given a prize very generously donated by EdwardStow. The children had a marvellous time so a big thank you to our friends and we hope that we will be able to get up and see you all in real life soon.



## EASTER TEA

**Thursday 7 April** - this marked our annual Easter Tea for grandparents and elderly residents of the community. Over 25 guests joined us for an afternoon of dances and songs, bingo and a delicious tea with gifts and cards to take home afterwards. We have also sent some to EdwardStow residents who were due to join us too. A big thanks to you the children and staff for being so wonderful, and to the PTFA for helping brew the tea and for making such an exquisite collection of beautiful cakes that one person commented looked too nice to eat.













## Community award

At the Easter tea Jean Devlin from Chamberlayne House presented the first ever **COMMUNITY AWARD**, as designed by the school council. Children were nominated by staff. The runner up was Jack Gorton and the winners were George and Effie Powles for their hard work in the school community including most recently organising a cake sale with the help of friends.



## Y3 and 4 rugby tournament

Well done to our team Oakley, Elijah, Harrison, Bethany Teddy, Gracie, Sam, Kush and Harry who went with Miss Giblin and Mrs Swallow to Stow Rugby Club for a Y3 and Y4 tournament. Player of the match was **Harry Anderson**, the values awards were as follows: Team player was **Sam Brain**, Self-Belief was **Oakley Taylor** and Respect award to **Kush Kennedy**. Mrs Swallow noted that Sam encouraged the other children, coaching them as he went along, he was also the first to thank the other team and the umpires. Harry was constantly watching the ball and other players and offering support both on and off the pitch and Oakley overcame some self-doubt to play and showed good sportsmanship. Kush was awarded his respect award from the umpires. They all did very well and it was noted that their behaviour was exceptional and they represented the school really well.



## Attendance awards

The attendance awards were drawn for this half term and the winners were as follows:

Class One - Oscar Clarke

Class Two - Evie Adams

Class Three - Teddy Perkins

Class Four - George Adams

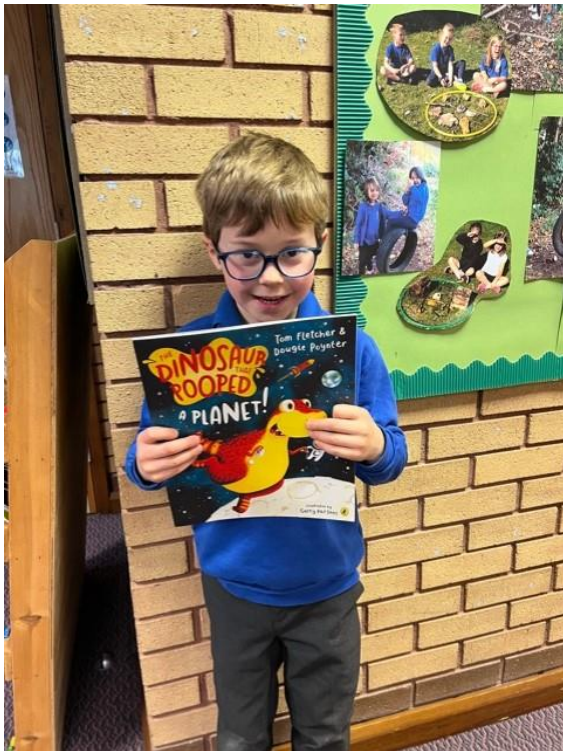
Class Five - Sadie Rogers

We will be starting again next term so you have to be in it to win it! Make sure you come to school every day!



## Birthday books

A great big thank you to Harrison Ray for his lovely new book *The Dinosaur that pooped a planet* and to Isobel Joynes for her book *Diary of a Wimpy Kid - the deep end*. I know the classes will really love your generous donations to their class libraries.





## SCHOOL COUNCIL

The school council met today to talk about Star of the Week awards and to talk about the questions for the children questionnaire. They also talked about some longer races at sports day and some tweaks to the Easter tea. They are all very excited at the thought of parents coming to sports day and no-one had any issues to report about behaviour or worries. We will meet again after the holidays to firm up plans for a school disco after SATS.

### Thinking ahead to Sports day, another reminder

Just to think ahead to Sports Day which will be held on the first Thursday after half term Thursday 9 June, we would love parents to attend this year. For those of you who have not experienced sports day yet we love parents to come to school at 12 noon and bring a picnic to eat with your child, or alternatively we do a hot dog and chips dinner for the children to eat outside which you can buy too. The PTFA run teas and coffees all afternoon and after sports day we have ice creams for sale. The children will run races from 12.45pm prompt all afternoon having done team activities all morning. We finish the afternoon by presenting the trophy to the winning team who do a lap of the field in honour of their win then have their photo taken.



So things to think about

1. Your child will need a T shirt in their house colour - red yellow blue or green
2. You might like to make sure you get the day off work from 12 noon to come along, if wet we move it on one week until we get a dry day. Races will start promptly at 12.45
3. Bring a deck chair or a rug to sit on and consider whether you would like to order a school outside lunch or bring a picnic
4. Bring some money for teas and coffees and an ice cream for you and or your child afterwards!
5. Bring you best cheering voice and a camera to support your child's team!
6. All children take part in all activities all morning and then run at least one race plus the class novelty races so it's great for self-esteem and gives children the chance to shine!
7. One word of warning, there is a toddler's race and a mums/ dads race too at the end! If time allows.

Any questions please ask your child's teacher or Mrs Scutt

### Parents visit to the pond, a reminder

We would like to invite children to take their parents to take a look at the pond, it will be open **after the Easter holidays** after school each night for children (accompanied by parents) to go along and see all the hard work and maybe spot a frog or two.

### New School Website

We hope that you are enjoying our new website <https://stowprimaryschool.co.uk> Do please check it out and let us know if you spot any glitches. Also if you have any trouble with accessing Trello then please let us know as this is where most of the class activities and paperwork can be found.

Check out all our latest news on our website too at

<https://stowprimaryschool.co.uk/school-information/news-upcoming-events/>

## Sun hats

Given the lovely weather the children might like to think about finding their sun hats, we have the usual school sun hats for sale in the office which can be ordered with different coloured logos such as pink, orange, green, yellow and blue etc. they are lovely hats and made to order. The price is in the region of £6.50-£7 depending on the style, please ask at the office if you would like to order one. We are very grateful to Mr Hartley for continuing to support us in this way.

## Wake up Wednesday

We are continuing with our Wake Up Wednesday weekly posters to help families to keep children safe on-line. This week the topic is OFCOM

**Can I also just mention to parents to be mindful of something called Huggy Wuggy which sounds innocent and lovely, and you can even buy toys of it on amazon BUT is definitely NOT good for children. Also we are hearing about a character called Rake who is also very unpleasant but has been mentioned by some children.**

Check out more advice and links here:

<https://stowprimaryschool.co.uk/community/internet-safety>

## 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 - Star of the Week: Grace Cox for her great enthusiasm for learning**

**Class 2 - Star of the Week: Kayleigh Chapman for improved efforts in her independent work**

**Class 3 - Star of the Week: Annabelle Wright for working hard, being kind and caring, remembering all her letters correctly**

**Class 4 - Star of the Week: Emma Marais for working hard during every lesson**

**Class 5 - Star of the Week: George Akerman for such a great week**

**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)**

Teddy Perkins

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

Poppy Gardner for being a super first aider at home

William Pope

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

Oscar Clifford for persevering



## CURRICULUM CERTIFICATES

Aisha Qureshi for her fabulous gymnastics  
Maisie Davies for her wonderful gymnastics  
Grace Cox for super science  
Jasmine Williams -DT  
Eva Leighton - DT  
Harrison Ray - DT  
William Lloyd for History  
Bobby Harris - Spelling  
Lydia Quiney - Maths  
Milly Wheeler - Maths  
Millie Robinson - English  
Sophie Leighton - Maths

## MATHS PASSPORTS

Lily O Kane - Globetrotter  
Eva Longstaff - Lost island

## BONUS MERITS

**Ethan Harris** for being so helpful  
**Pixie White** amazing vocabulary and descriptive writing  
**George Powles** extra RE work at home  
**Mollie Tustin** amazing four-page long story

## SPECIAL MENTIONS

Ethan and Tara Edwards and Emily Meakin for being so good and helpful at breakfast club

## HOUSE POINTS

RED	YELLOW	BLUE	GREEN
261	175	174	181
302	175	217	236
298	171	188	200
146	185	126	157
244	211	234	211
113	172	173	196
<b>1364</b>	<b>1089</b>	<b>1112</b>	<b>1181</b>

So this week's winners are the **GREENS YAY!!!** Well done greens  
This HALF TERMS WINNERS are the **REDS!** Again. Well done Reds, doing very well as a team this year

## Parents questionnaire

The questionnaire is now closed and school governors will be looking at parents' views on where we are doing well as a school and where there is room for further improvements. The governors will be feeding back to parents after Easter.

We will be doing a similar one with the children too to get their views for the governors and we will feedback on everything to you all. The school council were helping Mrs Scutt with ideas this morning for questions to include.

## **RRT Charity**

As mentioned in this newsletter a couple of times, Operation 322 is a campaign being organised by the RRT charity, who often support us in school. They continue to send 2-3 lorries per week of essential food and household goods to those most in need in Ukraine. To facilitate this the charity has a target to collect £1 million, and is currently 52% on the way to achieving this target. If you would like to support the RRT charity then please click on the following link below to make a donation and to read more about Operation 322 and the RRT charity. <https://rapidreliefteam.enthuse.com/pf/forward-products>

For every pound donated they will also match this pound for pound. We have donated our Ukraine fund raising to this trustworthy and reliable charity.

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 about any aspect of school.

Hope you have a wonderful Easter. I thought I would finish with some wonderful pictures of Class 2s DT work based on the Gaudi buildings!

**Together we can succeed**

**Rebecca Scutt**

**Headteacher**





