



STOW-ON-THE-WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

SATS WEEK

This week our Y6 children have been working very hard on their SATS tests and we are really proud of all of them. They have worked so well and been in school for breakfast. They have been calm and chilled which is what we hope for them so that they can do their best. We try very hard indeed to make sure that our children are **well prepared but not overly anxious** as this is totally counter-productive. They will all be enjoying a lovely day of athletics and hopefully a few treats and some relaxation over the weekend. Well done to Y6 and to Mrs Nicholson and Mrs Lewis and all the staff for supporting them so well. A big thank you to parents for getting them here on time and for working so well in partnership with us all.

ATTENDANCE AWARDS

In response to encouraging attendance but not penalising children if they are ill, we changed the way we encourage good attendance a year ago during COVID. Previously children had to have 100% but we changed it last year so if your child has **a full week in school** then they get a ticket in the raffle. Every week that they have a full week means more tickets with their name on in the raffle. This means that if they are off for medical or illness reasons they still have many chances to have their names in the raffle and to win. We will explain this to the children again more clearly but I just wanted to make sure that everyone knows that this is how it works and hope I have explained it clearly to you. Here are this term's lovely prizes provided by the staff to encourage the children, this is a sporting theme this half term. Thank you to Mrs Sivalingam for wrapping them so beautifully!



Birthday books- None this week

ATHLETICS MEET

We were delighted that every child had the opportunity in the Juniors to attend the Athletics and to represent their school and have a fabulous time after their busy week in school.



SPORTS DAY

Thinking ahead to Sports day, yet another reminder (this is the same information as before so feel free to skip over if you know what is happening, [new information and reminders are in blue](#)

Just to think ahead to Sports Day which will be held on the first Thursday after May half term **Thursday 9 June**, we would love parents to attend this year.

We would like [parent volunteers](#) to help with time events in the morning, this is very easy, you can sit down and the children will come to you and all you need to do is record what they do with a stop watch, no sporting skills are required, just patience!

Please let us know if you can help from 9-12, we will provide you with coffees and teas, you will need a sunhat as its very exposed on the field, maybe two of you could share the morning between you? We need 10 helpers in total.

For those of you who have not experienced sports day yet we also 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, [there will be a letter about this very soon for ordering](#).

[Parents are able to sit on the slope and school aged children sit on the opposite side of the track under gazebos so everyone has a good view, please bring a rug or a deck chair to sit on](#)

[Please keep Toddlers off the track and please do not beckon your child over to you once races start, you will be able to have them back for ice creams after we have presented the cup at the end of the afternoon](#)

The PTFA run teas and coffees all afternoon and after sports day we have ice creams and lollies for sale. The children will run races from 12.45 pm 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. Think about whether you could commit to helping in the morning, parents who have done it before do find it enjoyable and offer to help in subsequent years.
4. 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.
5. Bring some money for teas and coffees and an ice cream for you and or your child afterwards!
6. Bring your best cheering voice and a camera to support your child's team!
7. All children take part in all activities all morning and then run at least one race plus the class novelty races in the afternoon so it's great for self-esteem and gives children the chance to shine! We value all children contributions and they all add up to the overall scores.
8. 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

New School Website We hope that you are enjoying our new website, if you spot any typos please do let us know, it was mentioned that there might be a couple, many thanks

<https://stowprimaryschool.co.uk> Check out all our latest news on our website too at

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

Sun hats and sun cream

A reminder that we have the usual school sunhats for sale in the office which can be ordered with different coloured logos such as pink, orange, green, yellow, blue etc. they are lovely hats and made to order. The price is in the region of £6.50-£7 depending on the fastening, 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. The sun cream scheme is now available for the infants for £2, please send in to the office.

For more information on keeping safe in the sun

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/seasonal-health/sunscreen-and-sun-safety/>



CAKE SALE SUCCESS

We are delighted to announce that the cake and lolly sale raised £155.50 taking Mrs Salters fundraising up to £746, many thanks to all who donated, special mention to Harrison Ray, Stanley and William Lloyds mums for their cake donations and to everyone who came along and supported Stand Up to Cancer



RAGS2RICHES

Just a second heads up for 27 June when we will be holding a Rags2Riches collection - any donations of clothes, shoes, bags very warmly welcomed, all proceeds to the school. Just bag up your items and bring them in a black bag on the morning and this then converts into cash for the school.



Wake up Wednesday

This week the bulletin attached is all about tips for under-fives, we hope you find it useful, don't forget to check out lots of other help on our school website <https://stowprimaryschool.co.uk/community/internet-safety>

Weduc APP

We will be moving in line with popular demand to streamlining our communications with you and as such we will be ceasing the use of text messaging other than through the WEDUC APP. Please make sure that you download this, as this will become our main communication with you for speedy purposes as well as email.

We were asked what our preferred method is for parents to communicate - it depends on the communication but these seem sensible

1. Telephone for emergency and short notice communication to make sure we see or hear it.
2. Email to head or admin or class teachers as we are always checking these too.
3. Face to face of course is the easiest of all either before or after school at the gate and door or if preferred by ringing school to make an appointment, we will always go out of our way to see you the same day or very soon afterwards.
4. Texting will be phased out and we will send messages through the APP, there will be a red marker on the APP if there is a notice or a news update

If you need any help in accessing the APP please contact the school office.

SUCCESSSES OUTSIDE SCHOOL

This week we were very proud to learn that Poppy Bundy co-hosted a radio show for Cotswold Radio on Sunday with Loxie Chiles. It was a great experience and she did a great job chatting about music and introducing the songs. Well done Poppy we are so delighted with your successes outside school! We love hearing about all our children and their achievements no matter how small, let us know as they are important to celebrate. We are always interested in every child.



Listen to Loxie's regular segment Sundays from 12-1pm.

STARS OF THE WEEK

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



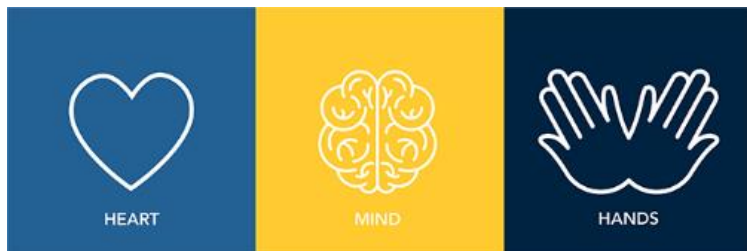
Class 1 Star of the Week: Rowan Davidson for making a big effort with all his work, well done.

Class 2 Star of the Week: Jasmine Williams for making a super effort all week with all her work.

Class 3 Star of the Week: Oscar Lawrence for always giving things a go even when he is unsure, I was particularly pleased with his music and singing.

Class 4 Star of the Week: Arlo Perkins - for being such a star all week

Class 5 Star of the Week: All Year 6 Children for working very hard in their SATS.



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)

Hollie Buckley for showing the school value of being safe.

HEART (these children have been supportive)

Maisie Davis for being so supportive and caring.

Tara Edwards for being such a kind and supportive child.

All Year 5 children in Class 5 for being supportive of all their friends.

MIND (these children have persevered in their learning)

Stanley Adams for persevering in his learning all week.

Ella Morris for being so hard working and persevering all week.



CURRICULUM CERTIFICATES

Pixie White for working hard in PE

Brooke Beasley for working hard in Maths

Reuben O'Driscoll Taylor - Maths

Lily O'Kane, Poppy Leighton, Emma Marais and Poppy Bundy for their amazing English work this week

Joshua Busby - Science

Rohan Flaherty - English

Tuscany Dunham - English

MATHS PASSPORTS

Well done to everyone for progressing with your passports and really getting all those basic number facts for each year group VERY SECURE.

Mia Strachan - South America

Parker Molner - Wales

Oscar Clifford - Scotland

Freya King - Northern Ireland

Grace Cox - Northern Ireland

Rowan Davidson - Northern Ireland



BONUS MERITS

These children have all been awarded 5 team points and a bonus merit

George Akerman for being very responsible and sensible on numerous occasions.

Naomi-Lee Clarke for an amazing story map and explanation of Charlotte's Web

HOUSE POINTS

RED	YELLOW	BLUE	GREEN
196	191	175	182
100	90	95	112

So this week's winners are the **GREENS YAY!!!** Well done greens.

Platinum Jubilee in the week leading up to Thursday 26th May

We have lots of lovely activities coming up this half term leading up to the jubilee as follows:

Class 4 and 5 have written some lovely poems for the library about the Queen.

Class 1, 2 and 3 are making crowns for St Edwards church

Class 4 are completing their sketches of Buckingham Palace to go in The Baptist church and at The Police Station.

Class 5 have painted the Queen in the style of Pop Artist Andy Warhol - see a sneak preview below, also to go in The Baptist church and at The Police Station.

Each class are making a well dressing board to dress the Wells with for the celebrations.

TUESDAY 24 May we will be having a Jubilee lunch at school see below for details



WEDNESDAY 25 May - We would like everyone to dress up for the day in jubilee clothes - red white and blue, princes, princesses, knights, queens, corgis! You name it we would like to see your royal outfits.

We will be having tea and cakes and raising a glass of bubbly (lemonade) to the Queen on her platinum jubilee. We will also be walking up to the church with our crowns and to sing some jubilee songs if you would like to join us there and the school council will be taking our well dressing boards to the wells.

FRIDAY 27 MAY - We will be having an additional Bank holiday day so no school that day.

Friday 3 JUNE - There will be a day of fun and activities on King George's Field and we will be having a stall with our raffle and running some races as our school contribution so do come along and see us there! More details to follow once we have a flier for the whole weekend of activities. Raffle tickets will be coming out soon.



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 or admin@stow-on-the-wold.gloucs.sch.uk

Don't let little worries become big concerns!

Have a lovely weekend,

Together we can succeed.

Rebecca Scutt

Headteacher