



STOW-ON-THE-WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER MARCH No 4, 2022



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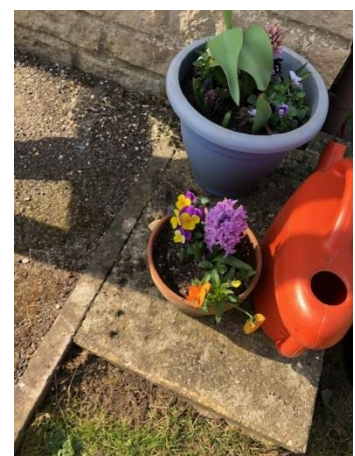
Dear Parents

Welcome to our fourth March newsletter. We are still seeing some COVID cases in school and a sickness bug but hopefully we are getting back to normal with all staff back next week too, fingers crossed. Thank you again for bearing with us and also for making sure your child stays off school for the recommended times as this helps to keep everyone safe and well. Let's hope everyone is well enough to enjoy the lovely sunshine that we are anticipating this weekend.

School grounds



Many parents have been helping us with the school grounds so I would like to say a big thank you to Annabelle's mum and dad for donating a lovely new sand pit (see below) and topping up the sand in school, to Edward and Williams Lloyds mum for her tireless work in the pond area which we will be inviting you all to see soon, to Mrs Luney for creating a fabulous new bench outside class five, to Mr Bevins for filling all our pots out the front of the school, and to The Anderson family for providing many pansies for planting out, the grounds are looking so glorious in this lovely sunshine today .





Parents evenings

We would very much like to catch up with the last few remaining parents who have not yet had their parents evening session with their class teacher. Please ring the office or contact your child's teacher direct via email to arrange. In the meantime, you can access everything your child is doing and up to date pictures and information on the class Trello pages and website.



Parents visit to the pond

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** school each night for children (accompanied by parents) to go along and see all the hard work and maybe spot a frog or two.... This is a before and after shot for you to see the difference

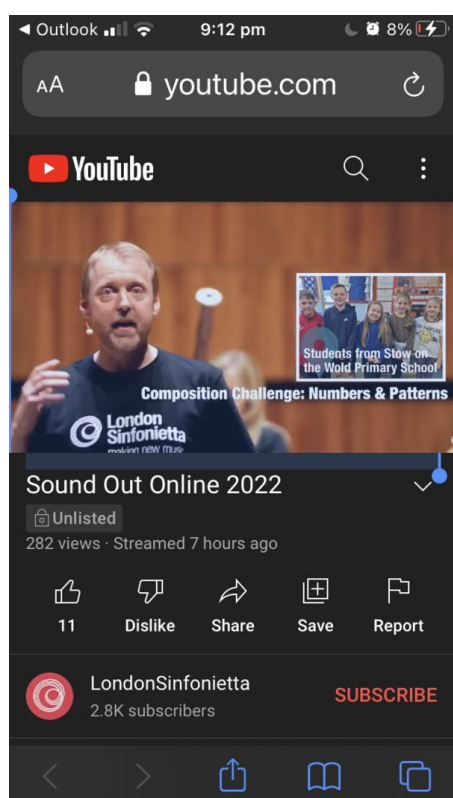


New School Website

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.



Musical successes

We are delighted to announce that some children in Class 4 were chosen to compose music for the London Sinfonietta. Here is a link of their piece being played: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2YpcV1KDOvI>

If you go to 39 minutes, you will see it. The piece is really beautiful and we are all so proud of the 5 children who were selected from 100s of other schools. Class Four watched it live in the hall and were thrilled when our school came up!! It was really exciting to watch their pieces come alive.

Winners were George A, George P, Lily, Emma and Isobel

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 sunhats 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-£7.00 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.

Successes outside school

Sadie passed her Level 3 on bars, floor, vault at a South West County Grades - well done Sadie, what an achievement, you look very professional in your gear too!



Alex earned a bonus merit for playing his guitar to Mrs Scutt, Miss Giblin and the whole of Class 3, very nerve wracking it must have been. He played beautifully and the children were able to recognise the pieces including Frere Jacques and Old Macdonald and Twinkle Twinkle, well done Alex, his teacher Mrs Mutsaars said he is very advanced for his age and doing incredibly well!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The school council have elected a new member for Class 3 and we are proud to say they have voted Jude Williams as their class rep along with Gracie Adams.

The school council met today to discuss community awards, Easter tea and the Easter pea scramble. They also discussed star of the week awards and parents visit to the school pond and to see their work

They children all spoke very well indeed and are great ambassadors for their classes.

As a result, we will be ordering some new awards for the children and some star of the week awards for the class.

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 phone scams. Check out more advice and links here: <https://stowprimaryschool.co.uk/community/internet-safety>

Birthday books

This week we are thrilled that Thea Shaw has chosen to donate two books to the school even though it is not even her birthday just because she wanted to support the school - how kind!

Also it was Elijah's birthday today and he donated this lovely book, thank you Elijah. It's also Mia Longstaff's birthday and she has sent in a book but we will wait until she is back to announce her choice!



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 - Charlee Poole for the lovely presentation of all her work

Class 2 - Star of the Week - Eva Leighton for excellent work all week with amazing presentation

Class 3 - Star of the Week - Gracie Adams for being kind both inside and outside the classroom and being a hard worker all the time

Class 4 - Star of the Week - Poppy Leighton - amazing progress all week

Class 5 - Star of the Week - Sophie Leighton - for working incredibly hard and always being helpful

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)

Loki Copley for showing the school value of being safe

Thea Shaw for showing the school value of being safe

HEART (these children have been supportive)

Jack Tomlinson for showing the school value of being supportive

MIND (these children have persevered in their learning)

Dean Belson for persevering in his phonics

Hollie Buckley for really persevering in school this week

Asha Kennedy for persevering all week

CURRICULUM CERTIFICATES

DT - Freya King for her marvellous den building skills

History – Reuben Harvey for his work on Edwin Beard- Budding inventor of the lawn mower

English - Hudson Bell

Maths - Poppy Gardner

Science - Eric Rothera

PE - Teddy Perkins

Computing - Ella Morris

Reading - Class 4 for reading Toto in four days!

Music – Iris Povey

MATHS PASSPORTS

Eric Rothera - Australasia

Harrison Jones - Australasia

Gracie Adams - Austrasia

Teddy Perkins - Australasia

Elijah Rogers - North America

Mollie Tustin - Australasia

Harry Robinson - Australasia

Oscar Lawrence - Australasia

Poppy Leighton - Globetrotters

BONUS MERITS

Mollie Tustin for her amazing standard of work in the big write using so many language features

Decon Booth – for exceptionally good work in RE and sustaining his efforts all week in class

Alex Cripps for his wonderful guitar playing to the whole class

George Powles, George Adam, Lily O’Kane. Emma Marais and Isobel Joynes - for winning the Sound out on-line music composition award and having their work played live by the London Sinfonietta.

Tori Cook for her amazing DT skills at home creating a superb model.

Jack Tomlinsons, Poppy Leighton, Iris Povey George Akerman, Noah Lynch Lily-Mae Anderson, Ria Tomlinson - for superb gardening and helpfulness this week

Pixie White - amazing work and stories completed at home

Ria Tomlinson and Sophie Leighton for helping Mrs Nicholson all lunchtime with chairs and being wonderful in every way!

HOUSE POINTS

| RED | YELLOW | BLUE | GREEN |
|-----|--------|------|-------|
| 261 | 175 | 174 | 181 |
| 302 | 175 | 217 | 236 |
| 298 | 171 | 188 | 200 |
| 146 | 185 | 126 | 157 |

So this week's winners are the **YELLOWS!!!**

Class Four Trip

Class Four visited Stow Baptist church this week to learn about Believers baptism. This was a letter that we received afterward from the church which I think you will be proud to read what great ambassadors for the school your children are when out and about.

*We wanted to say how wonderfully class four engaged with **Hearts, Hands and Mind** on their visit to Stow Baptist Church on 22nd March. We were very impressed at how the pupils engaged with their **Hearts**; willing and enthusiastic to learn about the baptism of believers. We were amazed at how many **Hands** went up with significant, educated and relevant questions. It was so encouraging to stimulate their **Minds**, answering questions; with visits into the Baptismal Pool, and how mature and respectful they were when engaging with our members at our café. We want to say how proud class four, and the school should be. It was such a pleasure to have you visit. The kindness, respect and openness shown by the pupils in their learning was amazing! Well done! We would love to see you all again.*



Joy and Philip.



Parents questionnaire

Please do fill in our parent's questionnaire which will be sent again with a link this weekend, and has already been sent via text and email. We would love to hear from you all as this helps us with our planning how best to support you and your children moving forward from covid. If you have more than one child, please feel free to do more than one questionnaire as your views differ from child to child.

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.

Ukraine Appeals

Cake Sale

Due to the situation that is currently unfolding in Ukraine and the resulting humanitarian crisis, one of our families The Powles family would like to run a cake stall next Friday after school on the rainbow tables, weather permitting.

Any donations of cakes would be warmly welcomed and do please bring in some change to buy a cake or two on the way home.

RRT Charity

Operation 322 is a campaign being organised by the RRT charity, who often support us in school. They are currently sending 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.

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!

Please talk to us if we can help in any way or if you have any worries at all about any aspect of school.

Together we can succeed

Rebecca Scutt

Headteacher