



STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year

Happy New Year to all our families and friends of the school. We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas holiday together. We would like to wish you all the very best for a happy and healthy 2018 and we look forward to working in partnership with you all in 2018.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCHES

Our postponed Christmas Community Lunch will now be held on Wednesday 10 January. All elderly residents are most welcome but we do need to know numbers in advance. Price £6.50 payable on the day to include a two course meal and teas/coffees.



Winter illnesses

We are aware that over the holidays families have been suffering from a range of winter illnesses such as coughs and colds and some tummy bugs. We are also aware that chickenpox is doing the rounds so do be vigilant over the coming weeks and try to avoid sending your child to school if they are contagious.

Don't forget that the pharmacists are very helpful and can give you advice and the GP if symptoms do not go away. Please remember that A and E is really only for emergencies and life threatening situations

JO DAVIS THREE WHEELED CAR

I am very pleased to announce that our lovely friend of the school Jo Davies decorated her car roof in aid of the school and managed to collect £78.74 for the school in donations. How wonderful, a big thank you to Jo for all her ongoing support of the school and the children and families of the town.



Young Voices

Our first event of the year is YOUNG VOICES at the Genting Arena. The majority of your juniors will be heading off on Tuesday next week to be part of a 6000 strong choir performing to a large audience of parents and friends in such a mammoth venue.

The children have been practising very hard learning the words and dance moves and they are getting very excited.

We hope to be able to join the live APP – the code is 669 available on the day and there is a music room code for last minute practices which is YVConcerts2018 and send you pictures of the children as we rehearse. We will let you know when we arrive and text everyone. We will make sure there are pictures of all the fun in the next newsletter for you to enjoy!

QUIZ NIGHT



PTFA Quiz Night

The PTFA will be holding a quiz evening on Friday 24 February at the school. The evenings are very popular and well attended. The tickets are on sale at the school office and there is a flier attached to this email and also out separately on another email.

The evening will be fun packed with a variety of rounds hosted by our very own amazing quizmaster Nigel Harrison, There will be a licensed bar and supper including cream of tomato soup and a roll. Tickets are priced £5 and teams are welcome up to eight members.

All proceeds to the PTFA, come along and support the school and have a lot of fun at the same time!

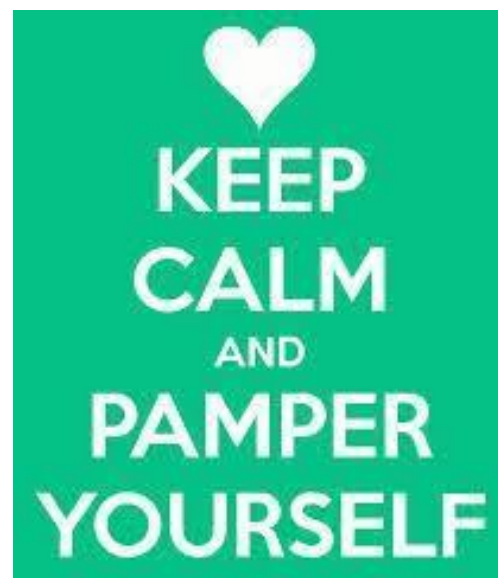


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The PTFA are also organising a Ladies Pamper Evening on Friday 2 February 2018 in the school hall. Tickets will be £5 to include a complementary glass of Prosecco and a free goody bag for the first 50 ladies. There will be a licensed bar and a range of pamper stalls including therapist which you can book into on the night and a spiritualist. Do come along and book up some pre-Valentines treats for yourself. Tickets available from the school office, do come along and pamper yourself, lighten up your new year and have some fun with your friends.



Reception entry 2018

Don't forget the closing date for Reception 2018 admissions is 15 January- do make sure you get your application in on time otherwise every other family who did get their forms in on time will be allocated before your child.

**NEXT PTFA MEETING THURSDAY 11
January at 2pm**

INTERNET SAFETY

We will be continuing our "Keep safe pants" NSPCC lessons this term with the older children and will be hosting the very successful play In The Net at school all about keeping children safe on line . This play is targeted mainly at Y4 and other schools will be joining us.

You may have read in the newspapers about the latest request for schools to prepare their children for the social media barrage that they may face as they move to secondary school. I think many of our children are already very much immersed in social media and online gaming and we already aim to teach them how to stay safe and be resilient when online. Whilst we realise as a school that we must move forward and embrace technology and all of the internet's fabulous advantages such as speedy communication, amazing resources and interactive online experiences and activities and the ability to quickly share the lovely things we do in school. I am increasingly concerned about how often children are exposed to being "blocked" "not liked " and being exposed to constant images of what they should apparently look like, dress like, act like and all the other unfortunate sides of social media to the detriment of their well-

being. We will make sure as a school that we prioritise helping children to feel confident in themselves and resilient enough to deal in a proportionate manner with any issues they may encounter online. I am sure that we will continue to work well with parents in partnership with you to keep our children safe and to keep their childhood secure.

If you have any questions or need any advice the NSPCC website is very helpful including these links

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-games-helping-children-play-safe/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

Together we can succeed
Rebecca Scutt
Head teacher

STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES 2017-2018

Date	Event
02/01/2018	INSET day , no children in school today
03/01/2018	INSET day , no children in school
09/01/2018	Class 1 parents information evening. 5pm
10/01/2018	Class 5 parents information evening. 5pm
10/01/2018	Y4,5,6 Athletics event
10/01/2018	Open The Book assembly
11/01/2018	Class 2 parents information evening. 5pm
12/01/2018	School council meeting
12/01/2018	Fire drill this week
15/01/2018	MDSAS meeting with head
15/01/2018	Class 3 parents information meeting 5pm
15/01/2018	Full Governing Body Meeting 6pm

16/01/2018 Class 4 parents information evening
18/01/2018 SMT meeting with Head
18/01/2018 MDSAS meeting with head
19/01/2018 Class 3 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents
25/01/2018 SEN MyPlan reviews, by invitation
02/02/2018 School Poetry SLAM performance day
05/02/2018 MDSAS meeting with head
05/02/2018 Valentine's raffle tickets on sale today
06/02/2018 Governors Committees and monitoring meetings 2pm onwards
07/02/2018 Open The Book assembly
08/02/2018 Teaching assistants meet with Headteacher
08/02/2018 SMT meeting with Head
09/02/2018 Class 4 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents
09/02/2018 Valentine's Day raffle draw
09/02/2018 Break up for Half term
21/02/2018 Quiz Club Championships day
21/02/2018 Open The Book assembly
23/02/2018 Class 1 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents
23/02/2018 PTFA Quiz night TBC
27/02/2018 Lockdown practice this week
01/03/2018 World Book Day- Extreme reading challenge
05/03/2018 MDSAs meeting with Head
06/03/2018 Parents evening for all classes
07/03/2018 Open The Book assembly
08/03/2018 Parents evening for all classes
08/03/2018 Teaching assistants meeting with Head
09/03/2018 School council meeting with Head
15/03/2018 SMT meeting with Head
16/03/2018 Gecko Maths Day
19/03/2018 Fire drill this week
19/03/2018 Full Governing Body Meeting
21/03/2018 Open The Book assembly

23/03/2018 Class 5 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents

26/03/2018 Mock SATS week for Y6

27/03/2018 Fire drill this week

29/03/2018 2pm Easter Tea for grandparents and elderly friends of the school

16/04/2018 Back to school

18/04/2018 Open The Book assembly

23/04/2018 MDSAs meeting with Head

24/04/2018 SMT meeting with Head

24/04/2018 Governors Committee meetings 3-6pm

26/04/2018 Teaching assistants meeting with Head

26/04/2018 Lockdown practice this week

26/04/2018 SMT meeting with Head

27/04/2018 School council meeting with Head

27/04/2018 Class 3 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents

02/05/2018 Open The Book assembly

04/05/2018 School council meeting with Head

07/05/2018 MAY BANK HOLIDAY

08/05/2018 MDSAs meeting with Head

10/05/2018 Teaching assistants meeting with Head

10/05/2018 SMT meeting with Head

14/05/2018 SATS WEEK STARTS

14/05/2018 SATS READING PAPER

15/05/2018 SATS SPAG Short answer paper and Spelling paper

16/05/2018 SATS Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic, Paper 2 reasoning

17/05/2018 SATS Maths paper 3 reasoning

18/05/2018 Area athletics afternoon for Juniors

21/05/2018 Full Governing Body Meeting

21/05/2018 Library Visits this week for all classes

23/05/2018 Open The Book assembly

23/05/2018 Year 1 and Year 2 retakes Phonics screening workshop event for parents

24/05/2018 Fire drill this week

24/05/2018 Break up for half term

24/05/2018 Class 4 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents

25/05/2018 INSET staff only

04/06/2018 MDSAs meeting with Head

07/06/2018 SPORTS DAY, all day event

11/06/2018 Parents evening for all classes

11/06/2018 Phonics screening check this week for Y1 and Y2 retakes

11/06/2018 MDSAs meeting with Head

12/06/2018 Parents evening for all classes

13/06/2018 7pm New Parents Induction evening for 2018 reception aged children

13/06/2018 Open The Book assembly

14/06/2018 Reserve Sports Day, all day

14/06/2018 Teaching assistants meeting with Head

14/06/2018 Teaching assistants meeting with Head

14/06/2018 SMT meeting with Head

19/06/2018 Science day at school for all classes - animals and their habitats

19/06/2018 Governors Committee meetings 2-6pm

19/06/2018 New reception children to visit in the afternoon

21/06/2018 Lockdown practice this week

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22/06/2018 PTFA Summer Disco Infants 5.30pm, Juniors 6.45pm

22/06/2018 class 2 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents

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27/06/2018 Open The Book assembly

29/06/2018 Non uniform day for Summer fair donations- tombola, bottles, filled jars etc.

02/07/2018 Fire drill this week

04/07/2018 Cotswold School Induction day for Year 6 pupils

04/07/2018 Y4 and Y5 Rounders afternoon

05/07/2018 Class swap afternoon

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05/07/2018 SMT meeting with Head
06/07/2018 Summer Frog race night TBC
09/07/2018 Juniors Summer Show Dress Rehearsal 2pm
09/07/2018 Full Governing Body Meeting
10/07/2018 MDSAs meeting with Head
10/07/2018 Juniors Summer Show 6pm
11/07/2018 Open The Book assembly
11/07/2018 Infants relay races event
12/07/2018 Teaching assistants meeting with Head
12/07/2018 Juniors Summer Performance 6pm
13/07/2018 School reports out today please check book bags
13/07/2018 Class 1 assembly and book look with tea/coffee for parents
16/07/2018 Annual School Walk am
16/07/2018 Stow's Got Talent pm
19/07/2018 Y6 Sleepover
20/07/2018 Break up for summer holidays 3.10pm
20/07/2018 Leavers Assembly 9.30am, coffee from 9am for family and friends in the hall