



STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers



Gloucestershire Healthy Living and Learning

Healthy Living and Learning Award 2017

We are delighted that our school have been awarded the Gloucestershire Healthy Living and Learning award for the learning and teaching based on the impact of our schools interventions developing healthy attitudes to exercise, eating and looking after ourselves. Well done to the children and staff for all their hard work ! The award lasts until 2020 and you will see that plaque on the wall by our front door which acknowledges our hard work and attitudes!

Community Hub

The community hub continues to thrive and we are now delighted that Toddlers is taking place alongside community lunches and various lettings. A timetable of current activities is attached to this newsletter. Do drop in and say hello, you will get a warm welcome.

After school care at The Hub

We have found a suitable provider and we are currently in the process of registering with Ofsted and getting more information on how we can set up our after school care provision. Watch this space and we will try to keep you posted as this exciting new venture develops.

School Lottery

We have had our second lottery winner- The Smith Family won the second November draw. It's still too late to join- follow the instructions below!

The lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference to the school. It is a fantastic, fun way that both the school and wider community can support and enrich the education of our children. It costs just £1 per week and the value of the prize will go up with the number of tickets sold. Your ticket will also enter you into a Jackpot prize draw where you could win up to £25,000! To be in with a chance of winning please visit www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and click on 'play'. Just type in 'Stow' and the Stow-on-the-Wold Primary school information will come up, then simply follow the instructions to buy your ticket. Your support of the school is greatly appreciated, good luck!

Christmas arrangements

Please sign up for school Christmas dinner which will be taking place on the last day of term 20 December. The children will all eat together and we will be having crackers and music- it should be great fun! We will be taking names for the Christmas community lunch in the Hub too so let the office know if you know of any elderly person who might like to join – the date has now changed to Wednesday 13 December to enable Mrs Taylor to do justice to both Christmas dinner days!



Christmas Fair Donations

We will be asking for donations on Friday in exchange for wearing non uniform that day.

We would love donations of:-

Filled Jars (containing stickers, wrapped sweets, stationery, toys etc)

Adult Tombola Prizes (eg bottles, biscuits, toiletries, chocolates, home accessories etc)

Children's Toy and Teddy Tombola prizes (Please wash/clean the soft toys)

Class Hamper Prizes (suggestions on clipboards in the school foyer)

Cakes/traybakes/cupcakes for the Christmas Cafe (on the day please - no nuts and please cover and label what the cake is)

A huge thank you in advance. Donated prizes means the PTFA don't have to buy them and more profits go to the school!

Best wishes

The PTFA



Christmas Fair: a reminder

Our Fair is on Friday 1st December, 6-8pm -make it a date! We believe Father Christmas is making a call!



NEXT WEEK IN SCHOOL

Pop up Christmas Shop....

The Stow Primary School PTFA Christmas Shop is again opening for one special day. First thing in the morning, within school **ON WEDNESDAY THE 29TH NOVEMBER.** This is an opportunity for the children to come & buy presents for their loved ones...

Putting a surprise gift under the tree for you this Christmas. Each gift **WILL BE** priced **ROUGHLY** between £1.50 up to £5. (I say roughly because as I write the elves are still working hard, wrapping & ribboning!)

Each present will be individually wrapped for the children & tags available for the children to write on. This is not a money raising project for the PTFA.

This idea is based upon giving the children the opportunity to independently buy their loved ones gifts so they can give them at Christmas time with the same excitement as you the parents have when giving yours to them.

All gifts are of good quality and supplied from wholesalers at just above cost price. If you would like your child to buy presents for more than one person, to avoid disappointment please ensure they have enough money to do so.

We will of course **HAPPILY** give change if they decide to buy **THE** lower price items. Thank you for your support.



CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING FRIDAY 8 DECEMBER STOW SQUARE

Just a second reminder that when Father Christmas turns on the lights in Stow we would like as many children as possible in warm coats but maybe with School hats or Christmas hats etc to come along and sing with the staff in the square. It would be a good idea to have small torch too so they can see the words to ones they don't already know by heart!

The schedule of events is:

6pm - Christmas Lights

6.15pm - Children sing by the big tree

6.30pm Santa Arrives

6.45pm Santa is piped to Talbot Court where there will be a grotto.

There should be approximately 45 shops opening late that night and some fairground rides, so it should be a lovely festive evening. The PTFA will have a stall, there will be the Soup Clubs free soup and free Tesco donated mince pies, Santas grotto and of course our lovely children stealing the show with their singing!

Please try to join us **(Friday 8 December at 6pm in the square by the stocks)**

We would be delighted to see you.

Parents are warmly encouraged to join in with the singing too! We will make sure we have plenty of song sheets so bring a torch too.

New teacher Miss Betley

Our new teacher Miss Betley has been visiting and is getting to know everyone especially Class 4. We look forward to seeing more of her over the coming weeks.



JUNIORS CONCERT

The juniors will be singing at St Edward's church on Thursday 7 December at 2pm. We will be singing a selection of Christmas favourites along with a few of our Young Voices songs, all are most welcome. The juniors will also have the chance to look at the trees in the festival. The infants will be going to the church in the morning to look at the trees too.



TREE FESTIVAL at ST EDWARDS CHURCH

We will be entering two trees into the festival and the children will get the chance to go and see their efforts on display The infants will be entering **"Ginger spice and all things nice"**

The juniors entry is called **"Scrumdiddlyumptious"**. Do please go along and vote for our trees on the weekend of 9-10 December as we are very keen to win of course!

Christmas Parties

These will be taking place on Tuesday 19 December. There will be no school meals that day but we will be asking for food donations for our party lunch nearer the time- watch this space! Children may wear their **party clothes** to school that day all day.



Whole school Annual Trip to The Roses Theatre

The whole school will be going to The Roses theatre in Tewkesbury to see Sleeping beauty. Please make sure that your child is in school on time that day so that we can get there on time!

The Tracy Sollis Leukaemia Trust

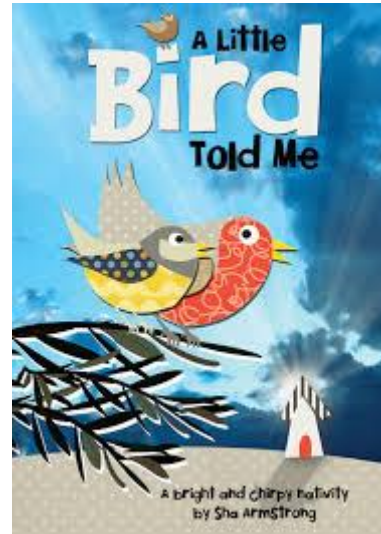
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There is no charge for our Nativity performances but we will be shaking a bucket at the end for this year charity the Tracy Sollis Trust

Children in Need

We raised over £150 for Children in Need this year by wearing our pyjamas, thank you very much for your support



Nativity play: A Little Bird told me

The children in the infants will be presenting their nativity play on the following times/days

Monday 4 December at 2pm dress rehearsal but parents welcome especially those with noisy toddlers

Wednesday 6 December at 6pm evening performance with a licensed bar and raffle, all welcome we need the children at 5,30pm to change please.

Thursday 7 December at 6pm evening performance with licensed bar and raffle, all welcome, again we need the children at 5.30 pm please

Please avoid bringing noisy younger siblings to evening performances as this is very unfair on the children on stage

As always please do come and see me if you have any concerns, comments or suggestions! My door is always open and please don't let little concerns become big worries

Together we can succeed

Rebecca Scutt

Head teacher

**STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES
2017-2018**

Date	Event
24/11/2017	School council meeting
27/11/2017	Stage up for nativity plays
30/11/2017	Lockdown practice in coming week
01/12/2017	Christmas Fair 6-8 pm
04/12/2017	Dress rehearsal for Nativity 2pm
05/12/2017	Trip to the Pantomime at Roses Theatre
05/12/2017	Governors Committees and monitoring meetings 2pm onwards
06/12/2017	6pm infants nativity play
07/12/2017	2pm juniors singing for Christmas tree festival
07/12/2017	6pm infants nativity play
08/12/2017	SEN MyPlan Plus and EHCP reviews, by invitation
11/12/2017	Computer Coding activities this week
11/12/2017	MDSAS meeting with head
13/12/2017	Open The Book assembly
14/12/2017	Teaching assistants meet with Headteacher
14/12/2017	Infants party food boards up
14/12/2017	School council meeting
14/12/2017	SMT meeting with Head
14/12/2017	School Dance Festival, all classes
19/12/2017	Juniors party
19/12/2017	Infants party
20/12/2017	Christmas dinner for whole school 12 noon
20/12/2017	9.30 am Carols at baptist church, all welcome
20/12/2017	Break up for holidays
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

26/06/2018 New reception children to visit in the afternoon

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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
05/07/2018 New reception children to visit in the 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