



## STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome back

We hope you had a lovely half term with lots of family fun together. We are now heading into the last half term with many activities ahead! I will start my newsletter with the hard bits to write:

### Miss Tuck

Miss Tuck will be leaving us at the end of term. She has decided to return to university to study dyslexia full time with the hope of a change of career helping children who are struggling in this area.

Miss Tuck is a super teacher and a big part of the school, working tirelessly for the best of the children and families in school and I know that we will all miss her very much. I am sure you will join with me in wishing her all the very best in future and I am sure she will keep in touch.

We are interviewing for a new teacher for Class 3 for September on Friday 16 June so we will be able to make sure that the children who will be in Class 3 get plenty of opportunities to meet their new teacher before the end of term.

### Lockdown

We are introducing Lockdown procedures to the staff and children this week so that we are well prepared in the event of an emergency, please see the separate letter about your role as parents so that everyone

is clear what to do in an emergency. It is highly unlikely we would ever use them in earnest but I am sure parents will understand that these procedures are needed.

In a similar vein, we would like to ask again that parents **avoid** trying to come into school before and after school unless absolutely necessary. We do have an open door policy and we value our families and want you to always feel welcome in school. However our desire to keep children safe overrides this. The staff are usually very busy preparing their classes before school and we would rather keep the school doors shut and everyone inside safe from unwelcome visitors. Staff will come out onto the playground before school if they are available. After school we would prefer parents to stay outside for the same reasons unless invited in for a meeting or talk especially at club pick up time and we will release the children to you.

Any parents wishing to come in to school should come to the front door and sign in please or catch the teacher on the playground. The exception is breakfast club for whom the front door is open from 8am until everyone is inside.

If you have any questions about this or the procedures once you have read them then please do give me a ring or call at the office, many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.

Now onto more cheery things...



### Jumble sale Saturday 26 May

Thank you to everyone who supported the Jumble sale during half term. It was much enjoyed by all who attended and grabbed a bargain. The parents raised £215 and we can increase this by making donations in the bags which are in book bags today. If you missed the chance to donate we are glad of any good quality clothing, shoes, hats, belts and soft toys, please return by Friday 16 June at the latest. Please note no uniform, duvets, pillows or cushions please.

A big thank you again to the mums who helped to organise this especially Mrs Heritage and family, Mrs Clarke and family, Mrs Catley, Mrs Taylor and family and Mrs Swallow. One of the visitors mentioned how well behaved the children helping were, well done to them!

The money raised will go straight to the classes and we are sure that the children will enjoy choosing some items for their class to share together.

### Sheep decoration Competition

Well done to everyone who has brought their sheep back into school, you have a while yet to keep decorating but the standard seems to be very high- they look gorgeous!!

The organisers would like them back in by mid-June but we will send you plenty of reminders. There is a poster of ideas in the entrance hall if you get stuck!

### Year 6 Bowling party

The Y6 had a fabulous end of SATS bowling party with Mr Cox, Mrs Nicholson and Mrs Christian. They all enjoyed bowling, a meal, balloons and pictures, we hope you enjoy the shots! Thank you to the staff for taking them and to all the parents who helped to keep costs down by bringing them all back!



## Volunteer drivers

Don't forget that if you drive to and from trips and matches for the school we will need you to complete a volunteer driver's form, please ask for a paper copy at the office. Many thanks for all your support in helping us to keep costs down.



## FORWARD NOTICE

Another reminder that our school building is 21 years old in June and we are going to hold a 21<sup>st</sup> birthday party on **Friday 23 June** - with fun Gecko maths all based on the number 21 and a boucy castle throughout the day possibly with a sponsored bounce, lots of delicious food and to finish the day a 21<sup>st</sup> birthday disco for infant and juniors! It should be great fun, details to follow!

**BOOK FAIR** has arrived, please do grab a bargain after school any night this week or Mon/Tues next week. Please come in through the front door into the atrium where staff will be glad to help you.

## SPORTS DAY THURSDAY 15 JUNE

Sports Day will soon be upon us and hopefully the sun will shine next week!

### Here's a checklist for the day

1. Check if you can help out 9-12 on an event and ring school to let us know
2. Make sure your child has a sun hat and a T shirt in their house colour- red, yellow, blue or green
3. Arrange for a school lunch, a picnic to eat with your child or a packed lunch
4. Come to school at 12 noon for lunch, or at 1pm for races, may be consider bringing a rug or a deck chair to sit on
5. Bring some pennies; you will be able to buy teas, coffees and refreshments for yourself. You are NOT able to buy things for your child during the races but there will be ice-creams on sale afterwards for you to treat your child (and yourself).
6. We are likely to overrun a bit so be prepared to be a bit late home that night
7. Cake donations for the PTFA to sell would be very welcome but please bear in mind that we might need to cancel again if wet weather continues next week.

### [More RE](#)

Class Five have been busy learning about Rites of Passage such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. Here they are at St Edwards church helping to reconstruct a

wedding complete with bridesmaids, a bouquet, an order of service and even wedding rings and organ music thanks to Rev Martin, Rev Tony and his wife!

This week we are off to the Baptist Church to explore how adult baptism takes place and to even get a peep down in the fabulous Victorian tiled baptistery pool!



need a closer look or call in to the office to take a look before you buy.

Please do consider my door to be open, don't let small problems become big ones, we are here to help and serve you all

Together we can succeed

Rebecca Scutt

Headteacher



### Sun hats

You may remember Mr Hartley made some wonderful bobble hats with coloured logos on last Winter. He has offered to make school blue sun hats with your choice of coloured school logo (rings) on the front. The colours are gold, pink, green and orange(see picture). Mrs Hartley can also do PURPLE logos- not pictured. The hats are blue sun hats and they will be available to order from the office for £6. We do require payment with orders please. Many thanks to Mr Hartley for his kind offer. There are pictures of them on our facebook page too if you

## **STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES 2016-17**

Please note these dates may be subject to change but we endeavour to give as much notice as possible for events.

12/06/2017	1.30 pm MDSAs meeting with Head
13/06/2017	3-6pm Governor Committee meetings
14/06/2017	7pm New reception parents induction evening
15/06/2017	12 noon Teaching assistants meeting with Head if no sports day
15/06/2017	Reserve Sports Day
20/06/2017	New Reception Children in school 1.45pm
22/06/2017	New reception children's induction afternoon 1.45 pm
23/06/2017	21 <sup>st</sup> Birthday PTFA Summer Disco 530 infants 6.45 juniors
23/06/2017	21 <sup>st</sup> Birthday Gecko Maths Day and bouncy castle
26/06/2017	Stage up after school
26/06/2017	Naturesbase Camping trip for Y5 and Y6
27/06/2017	New Reception children's induction afternoon 1.45 pm
27/06/2017	Naturesbase Camping trip for Y5 and Y6 Malvern trip for Y2
28/06/2017	Naturesbase Camping trip for Y5 and Y6 Malvern Trip for Y2
29/06/2017	Naturesbase Camping trip for Y5 and Y6 Malvern Trip for Y2
29/06/2017	New Reception Children in school 1.45pm
30/06/2017	Naturesbase Camping trip for Y5 and Y6
05/07/2017	Cotswold School Induction Day for Y6 children
06/07/2017	New Reception children's induction afternoon 1.45, whole school swap afternoon
06/07/2017	Cotswold School Induction Day for Y6 children
07/07/2017	Summer Fair 5-8pm
10/07/2017	Juniors Summer performance 1.30 pm
11/07/2017	Juniors Summer Performance 6 pm
14/07/17	Juniors to Air tattoo
17/07/2017	Sponsored Walk morning for this year's charity
17/07/2017	Stow's Got Talent Show afternoon
17/07/2017	School reports out today for all children
20/07/2017	Year 6 Leavers Sleepover
21/07/2017	Leavers assembly 9 am for coffee , 930 start

21/07/2017

Break up for Summer Holidays