



Stow-on-the-Wold Primary School

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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER September No 2 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our second newsletter of the year. There is a lot going on and so much to tell you about your amazing children already!

The Cotswold Company



The Cotswold company kindly donated supplies of paint, fabric and wood for the children to use in Art and design lessons, we are very grateful to them for their continued support of the school. Here are the children with the store manager and some of their lovely craft items. We are fortunate in being so well supported by our local businesses



Visit by Mr Tomlinson

We were fortunate enough to enjoy a visit in Class 5 by Mr Tomlinson, one of our dads. Mr Tomlinson is an expert on environmental issues and works for a very eco-friendly company called Bio Circle. The children were fascinated by his talk about his work providing advice on sustainability and eco-friendly solutions to big ports companies such as Wimbledon and Forest Green Rovers. The children have subsequently entered a Bio Poster Competition for an exhibition they are going to attend which Mr Tomlinson will be judging and presenting prizes in next week's celebration assembly.



Here are the children with their posters



If any other parents have jobs or can present a talk which you think the children might enjoy then we would love to hear about you as it gives children aspirations for what they might be able to achieve in their lives!

Rugby Coaching

We are fortunate in securing coaches from Gloucester rugby this term including Samoan rugby union player. He played as a Centre for Gloucester and Samoa for a number of years. The children are really enjoying their session and what an honour to have such a coach in school

Here is a picture of Terry and of the children outside enjoying rugby in the sunshine!



Birthday Books

Here are this week's birthday children with their lovely book donations for the school. If it is your birthday coming up and you would like to make a donation of a book instead of bringing in a cake and we will put in a nice book plate in the front of the book and show it in assembly.

This way we have more fabulous books in school to help us in one of our main aims - fostering a love of reading in children whilst also being a bit healthier and focusing the cake eating at other times such as our events and parties rather than in lesson times. These books are super

and will be much enjoyed. Thank you to Alex and to Fendi who presented their books to Class 2 in assembly



PTFA AGM

We have voted in for our new officers as follows:

Chair - Mrs Clare Stubbs

Vice Chair – Mrs Lucy Sivalingam

Treasurer - Mrs Rachel Cook

Secretary - Mrs Hannah Totham and Mrs Caroline Sandles

The PTFA have held their AGM and the Chairs report is now on our website if you would like to read it. There are many lovely events over the next few months and we are so grateful to the PTFA for all their support and subsidies so that we can carry on with trips and special days without asking parents for every last penny as we know how quickly it all adds up.

As a school we are deeply grateful to the PTFA for their time and energies and efforts ensuring that the children have the best possible educational opportunities and equipment and the chances to do things without being constrained by limited school budgets! So a massive thank you to you ALL

Upcoming planned events include a bingo night, school disco, fireworks night stall and

Christmas tree bauble competition so watch this space!



Stow Art Week

The first event the parents have been helping with is the Stow Arts Week and making sure that the children's work is beautifully displayed. Each child in Y1-6 has created a picture of Stow Past, Present and Future. The children went out and about sketching and painting and using photographs of the area to help them in their art work.

The work will be displayed from today for a week in St Edwards's church where it will be enjoyed by the great number of visitors from all over the world who visits the town and go to the church. There are prizes of £15 and £10 voucher for the art shop in Stow, kindly donated by them, for infants and for juniors but the most important thing is that the children have been included as always in whatever is going on in their community.

We hope the art week is a great week and much enjoyed by everyone

BINGO NIGHT

Eyes down for children bingo on Friday after school next week (4th October), We hope you can come along, enjoy a cuppa and a few games of light hearted bingo with your children and get to know some of our new families and have a bit of fun. We will squeeze as many games into one hour as we can and the PTFA have provided some lovely prizes and will be on hand with the kettle on so do come along. £2.50 per player old or young with all proceeds to the school PTFA.

First Aid

Class 5 have been enjoying a First Aid course with Sam Smith, local First Aider. So far they have learnt about general first aid principles, cuts and bleeding, allergies and allergic reactions including using automated adrenalin injector pens, fractures, nose bleeds, dressing a wound and of course bandages!!! Here are some hilarious pictures of the children getting to grips with using bandages. A big thank you to Sam for her time and energies, making it all very smiley and non-scary for the children and also well done to the children who have been enjoying this potentially lifesaving important learning as part of their wider curriculum



TALENT OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Well done to George Powles for being most improved player of the year at his local cricket club in Great Rissington, that's fabulous news!!!

We love hearing about your talents outside school so do always let us know so we can celebrate it all



School Photographs

The school photos all went well and we look forward to seeing those gorgeous pictures which make such nice family Christmas presents

Flu Immunisations

Our next whole school activity of this nature will be the flu immunisation which all children will be able to have later next term! (12th November) Don't worry, there's not a needle in sight just a quick squirt up the nose! It's as quick as a flash then back to lessons. Letters & consent forms will be sent out soon.



MacMillan Coffee Morning

The Co-op Funeral services held a coffee morning for MacMillan and invited our children to go along in the limo for a few treats and to make a donation to MacMillan of course! We were delighted that School Governor Stephen Hill sent the car down for us and the children were such amazing ambassadors for the school, chatting to local elderly residents and of course eating lots of nice cakes! We hope all the coffee mornings planned go well around the local area for this very worthy cause!





Harvest Festival

On Thursday we will be holding our annual harvest festival in St Edwards Church at 2pm. Each class will be performing a song or a poem including reception who start full time next week. You are all most welcome at the church to watch us and join in. Please avoid sitting in the main church pews as we will be there but the seats at the side and back are great. We have some new songs to share with you and we would like the children to do two things

Please consider sending in a food donation such as dried goods, pasta, rice, tins, coffee, biscuits etc. anything you can keep in a cupboard not fresh produce. We will then carry this up to the church (so send in a carrier bag is a good idea to help your child) and these are then donated to our dear friends at North Cotswold Food Bank

Secondly please consider sending in just your loose change in our golden enveloped coming home in the book bags today. The school council in Class 2 are very keen to fill these and present them in the church for our charity Acorns. We do hope you will support us in this way and do come along and join in this joyous occasion

acorns

Your local children's hospice



International Languages Day

The children enjoyed lots of lovely languages work this week on International Languages day Thursday 24 September

Class One and Two enjoyed a languages assembly with greetings in many languages and Bettina our German Intern student taught them Incy Wincy in German. Bethany taught us how to count in Philippino. After break, Bettina taught a German lesson to Class 5 which they really enjoyed and Class Three and Four were busy working hard and produced some amazing written work about languages too. Well done everyone!



Dates for the diary

All our dates are listed below and we will try to stick to them wherever possible. The dates are also listed on our website

www.stowprimaryschool.co.uk

Note from a local resident regarding their cat , if this is you then do please get in touch as they would really like to thank you very much – see below

We'd love to get in touch with the kind parent who came to Blossom's help shortly after she was knocked down by a car on Friday 20 September 2019. The accident happened at around 3pm on Well Lane in Stow, just across from the doctor's surgery. If that lady has children at your school and responds to your newsletter please could you ask her to call me, Martin, on 07722195755 so we can thank her. We live in Stow. Thanks



As always do pop in and see me, if you have any queries or concerns or suggestions to make, we always like to hear your views. Don't let small worries become big concerns, my door is usually always open or drop me an email. In the meantime do please enjoy these pictures of some of our lovely pupils exploring their new school

Together we can succeed

Rebecca Scutt, Headteacher

**STOW ON THE WOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL
CALENDAR 2019-2020**

- 30/09/2019 Reception children in school until 3.10pm
- 30/09/2019 SEND Reviews for individual children with plans
- 01/10/2019 SEND Reviews for individual children with plans
- 02/10/2019 Phonics workshop for reception parents straight after school
- 02/10/2019 No Pens Wednesday
- 03/10/2019 SMT meeting for staff
- 03/10/2019 Class 5 Knex Challenge morning in school
- 03/10/2019 Harvest Festival at St Edwards Church 2pm, all welcome to attend
- 03/10/2019 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
- 04/10/2019 PTFA Children and adult BINGO night after school 3.15-4.15 £5 per family
- 04/10/2019 SEND Reviews for individual children with plans
- 09/10/2019 INSET day for all local school staff at The Cotswold School, staff only, no children today
- 10/10/2019 Year One phonics workshop for ALL Year one parents and information about phonics screening check, straight after school in Class 2
- 16/10/2019 Open the book assembly
- 16/10/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 16/10/2019 Open the Book assembly
- 18/10/2019 Non Uniform Day- wear sporty clothes
- 21/10/2019 SCIENCE WEEK
- 21/10/2019 Governors Committee Meetings 3-6pm
- 21/10/2019 Bookings open online for parents evenings
- 21/10/2019 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
- 23/10/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 23/10/2019 Open the Book assembly
- 24/10/2019 SMT meeting for staff
- 24/10/2019 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
- 25/10/2019 Break up for Half Term at 3.10pm
- 25/10/2019 PTFA Autumn (Halloween) Disco 5.30 Infants, 6.45 Juniors
- 25/10/2019 Class Assembly TBC 2.30pm
- 01/11/2019 Stow Fireworks
- 04/11/2019 Back to school 8.55 start for all

04/11/2019 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
04/11/2019 Parents evenings 3-6pm
05/11/2019 Bonfire safety assembly
06/11/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
06/11/2019 Book Fayre arrives in school today
07/11/2019 Parents evenings 3-6pm
07/11/2019 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
08/11/2019 Film Night for Juniors in the school hall TBC 3.15-4.45pm
08/11/2019 School Council Meeting
10/11/2019 RBL Remembrance Service at St Edwards church
11/11/2019 Whole school to sing at Remembrance in Square at 11am
12/11/2019 Whole school flu immunisation day
13/11/2019 Open the Book assembly
13/11/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
14/11/2019 SMT meeting for staff
18/11/2019 Full Governors Meeting 6pm
20/11/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
22/11/2019 Christmas Shoe Boxes in today please
22/11/2019 Class Two Assembly 2.30pm
22/11/2019 Non uniform day for Christmas Fayre donations
22/11/2019 Lockdown and Fire Drill practices this week
25/11/2019 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
25/11/2019 Stage up ready for nativity
27/11/2019 Open the Book assembly
27/11/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
28/11/2019 Lockdown and Fire Drill practices this week
28/11/2019 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
29/11/2019 PTFA Christmas Fayre 6-8pm
02/12/2019 Infants nativity 2pm
02/12/2019 Governors Committee Meetings 3-6pm
03/12/2019 Infants nativity 6pm
04/12/2019 Whole school trip to The Roses theatre to see the PANTO!
05/12/2019 Christmas Tree Festival- Juniors to sing at 2pm at church
05/12/2019 Infants nativity 6pm
05/12/2019 St Edward's Christmas Tree Festival- infants to see the trees

in the morning

- 06/12/2019 Christmas Tree Lights turn on and carol singing at the Square 5.30
- 09/12/2019 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
- 11/12/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 11/12/2019 Open the Book assembly
- 12/12/2019 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
- 12/12/2019 SMT meeting for staff
- 12/12/2019 Year One trip to Smart Trees at Bishampton
- 13/12/2019 Christmas Jumper Day, wear your favourite festive outfit today!
- 13/12/2019 Class Five Assembly 2.30pm
- 17/12/2019 GECKO Maths day - Christmas themed maths problem solving day
- 18/12/2019 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 19/12/2019 Infants Christmas party, wear party clothes to school
- 19/12/2019 Party food day, no school meals today
- 19/12/2019 Juniors Christmas party, wear party clothes to school
- 19/12/2019 Christmas Party food donations today for our whole school party lunch
- 20/12/2019 Carol Service at Stow Baptist Church 9.30am, all welcome
- 20/12/2019 Break up for Christmas at 3.10pm
- 20/12/2019 Christmas Dinner Day today
- 01/01/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 06/01/2020 Back to school 8.55am
- 09/01/2020 Lockdown and Fire Drill practices this week
- 09/01/2020 SMT meeting for staff
- 10/01/2020 School Council 9.15am
- 13/01/2020 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
- 15/01/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 15/01/2020 Open the Book assembly
- 16/01/2020 SMT meeting for staff
- 16/01/2020 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
- 20/01/2020 Full Governors Meeting 6pm
- 20/01/2020 Poetry Slam Week
- 22/01/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
- 24/01/2020 Poetry Slam Week Assembly at 9.15am

29/01/2020 Open the Book assembly
29/01/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
31/01/2020 Class Assembly TBC 2.30pm
03/02/2020 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
03/02/2020 Governors Committee Meetings 3-6pm
03/02/2020 Second Mock SATS Week for Y6
05/02/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
06/02/2020 SMT meeting for staff
06/02/2020 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
07/02/2020 PTFA Quiz Night for adults, TBC
07/02/2020 NSPCC Number Day
10/02/2020 Valentines Day raffle for children go on sale today £1 for five tickets
12/02/2020 Open the Book assembly
14/02/2020 Break up for Half Term at 3.10pm
14/02/2020 Class 4 Assembly 2.30pm
14/02/2020 Valentines Day raffle draw in assembly today
24/02/2020 Back to school 8.55am start for all
25/02/2020 Shrove Tuesday - pancake day!
29/02/2020 Leap year day!!
02/03/2020 Bookings open online for parents evenings
02/03/2020 Bookings for Parents evenings open today
02/03/2020 Stow Book Awards Week this week
02/03/2020 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
02/03/2020 Full Governors Meeting 6pm
04/03/2020 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
05/03/2020 World Book Day, details to follow
09/03/2020 Parents evenings 3-6pm
10/03/2020 Parents evenings 3-6pm
12/03/2020 Parents evenings 3-6pm
13/03/2020 Class 3 Assembly 2.30pm
14/03/2020 Possible school based trip - keep this space if you like football
16/03/2020 SCIENCE WEEK
16/03/2020 SCIENCE WEEK
17/03/2020 St Patrick's Day

18/03/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm

20/03/2020 PTFA Adults Bingo Night date

26/03/2020 GECKO Maths day - Easter themed maths problem solving day

27/03/2020 Class One Assembly 2.30pm

30/03/2020 Governors Committee Meetings 3-6pm

31/03/2020 Easter Egg Hunt and Pea Scramble for all children, 1.30pm on the field £1 per child

01/04/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm

01/04/2020 Open the Book assembly

02/04/2020 Easter Tea for elderly residents 2pm, FREE, all welcome please ring school to book in

03/04/2020 Break up for Easter at 3.10pm

20/04/2020 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm

20/04/2020 Back to school 8.55am start for all

22/04/2020 Open the Book assembly

22/04/2020 Stephen Lawrence Day

22/04/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm

23/04/2020 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon

23/04/2020 St George's Day

27/04/2020 Last Mock SATS week for Y6

29/04/2020 Staff Meeting

01/05/2020 School Council Meeting

04/05/2020 MAY DAY Children are due in school today

06/05/2020 Open the Book assembly

06/05/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm

07/05/2020 SMT meeting for staff

08/05/2020 Bank Holiday for VE Day celebrations, no school

11/05/2020 SATS Week for Y6

11/05/2020 English SPAG Paper 1 short answers

11/05/2020 English SPAG Paper 2 spelling

12/05/2020 English Reading Paper 3

13/05/2020 Maths Paper 2 Problem Solving and Reasoning

13/05/2020 Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic

14/05/2020 Maths Paper 3 Problem Solving and Reasoning

15/05/2020 Key Stage 2 Whole school cluster athletics at Temple Guiting

18/05/2020 Full Governors Meeting 6pm
20/05/2020 Open the Book assembly
20/05/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
21/05/2020 SMT meeting for staff
21/05/2020 Malvern Overnight Stay
22/05/2020 Break up for Half Term at 3.10pm
22/05/2020 Class Assembly TBC 2.30pm
01/06/2020 INSET Day, no school for the children
02/06/2020 Lockdown and Fire Drill practices this week
03/06/2020 Staff Meeting
04/06/2020 Sports Day all day, picnic 12 noon, races from 1pm
04/06/2020 SMT meeting for staff
08/06/2020 Phonics Screening Week for Year One
08/06/2020 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm
08/06/2020 Croft Farm trip departs
10/06/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
10/06/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
10/06/2020 New Reception Parents Induction Night 7pm
11/06/2020 Book Fayre arrives in school today
11/06/2020 Reserve Sports Day
11/06/2020 Teaching Partners meeting with Head 12 noon
12/06/2020 Croft Farm trip returns
15/06/2020 Governors Committee Meetings 3-6pm
16/06/2020 New reception children in 1.45pm
18/06/2020 New reception children in 1.45pm
19/06/2020 PTFA Summer Disco 5.30 Infants 6.45 Juniors
19/06/2020 GECKO Maths day - Summer themed maths problem solving day
22/06/2020 Stage up ready for Summer Production
23/06/2020 New reception children in 1.45pm
24/06/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm
24/06/2020 Open the Book assembly
25/06/2020 New reception children in 1.45pm
26/06/2020 Non Uniform Day- wear your own clothes in return for donations for the Summer Fayre
26/06/2020 Class Assembly 2 2.30pm

29/06/2020 SCIENCE WEEK

29/06/2020 School reports to headteacher today

02/07/2020 Class Swap afternoon, children to meet their new class

02/07/2020 Cotswold School Induction Day for Y6

02/07/2020 New reception children in 1.45pm

03/07/2020 Summer Fayre and Family Sports Day 5-8pm

03/07/2020 Y5 Science and technology afternoon at The Cotswold School

06/07/2020 2pm Dress Rehearsal for Juniors Summer Performance

06/07/2020 Full Governors Meeting 6pm

07/07/2020 Juniors Summer Performance 6pm

07/07/2020 MDSA meeting with Head 1.30pm

08/07/2020 Staff meeting 3.30pm

08/07/2020 Open the Book assembly

10/07/2020 Governors Awards Assembly and Attendance Celebration assembly

10/07/2020 School Reports out today for parents

13/07/2020 Sponsored Walk 9.30am

13/07/2020 Talent Show 1pm

15/07/2020 Attendance Treat - tea with attendance officer and headteacher

16/07/2020 Year 6 Sleepover at school

17/07/2020 Break up for Summer at 3.10pm

17/07/2020 Leavers Assembly, all welcome 9am coffee for 9.30 assembly



Friday 4th October

3.15pm-4.15pm in the school hall

£2.50 per person

**Every child under year 5 needs a
paying adult to attend with.**

Ticket price includes refreshments!

Come Along to our Macmillan Coffee Morning



Brio Retirement Living – Beechwood Park are delighted to be hosting a Macmillan Coffee morning.

Every penny we raise means Macmillan can help more people with cancer live life as fully as they can.

When - 27th September 2019 – 9am – 11.30am

Where – Stow Social Club, Well Lane, Stow on the Wold, GL54 1DB

Come along for a cup of tea and a slice of cake to raise money for this fantastic cause.

We look forward to welcoming you!



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