



STOKENCHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY



AIMING HIGH ... FLYING HIGHER

Everything we do makes a difference to our children; empowering minds and shaping futures.



STOKENCHURCH STAR



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£1,285 so far!

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THIS TERM'S SCHOOL VALUES ARE TO SPOT OUR CHILDREN WHO ARE:

CONFIDENT



THIS WEEK:

- ENERGIZE REHEARSALS
- Y3/Y4 PRODUCTION
- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE
- SAFEGUARDING SLOT
- NEW BEHAVIOUR POLICY
- PARENTS EVENING BOOKINGS LIVE
- AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER

Solar Panels
 MWh produced = 83.66 MWh
 CO₂ saved = 47.52 t

GOLDEN RULES


READY

RESPECTFUL

SAFE

😊 ALI BABA & THE BONGO BANDITS THIS WEEK! 😊

🌞 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 🌞

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK	Lime - 99.3%		Ash - 98.4%		Chestnut - 98.2%	
	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	121	116	111	124	106	116
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD WINNERS				BEECH CLASS		



FROM THE HEAD'S CHAIR



You can donate to our swimming pool project here:

<https://justgiving.com/campaign/stokiesbigsplash>



Now that we have secured planning permission for our new swimming pool enclosure, we are busy planning marketing campaigns and fundraising events to enable us to continue with this project. However, we need more volunteers to join our pool committee to make this possible. Committee meetings are held on an ad hoc basis (on average once per half term) and timings will be convenient to the members depending on availability. If you would like to support the school with this worthwhile community project and are interested in joining the 'pool committee' please complete google form by Tuesday 18th March 2025: [Pool Committee Here](#)



CELEBRATING RAMADAN



Ramadan competition

Early years - Design a picture to show what you have learnt about Ramadan
 Year 1 & 2 - Design a picture or write a poem about Ramadan
 Year 3, 4, 5, 6 - Write a poem about Ramadan

Due: Friday 22nd March

4 winners will be rewarded with a £5 book token!

On Monday we welcomed Sanum Khan, one of our parents and our Parent Governor, to **STOKENCHURCH** to share information about Ramadan with the school. She talked about the holy month celebrated by Muslims across the world and discussed Iftar, fasting, eating dates and many more of the traditions associated with this period. Ramadan lasts for a month and encourages those who



observe it to do good for others, support charity and be thankful for their own experiences. The assembly was very informative and Sanum has arranged a competition for the children who can enter to reflect on what they have learned. The details are in the poster and I'd like to thank Sanum for preparing and presenting the assembly so brilliantly!

ENERGIZE REHEARSAL



As the big day approaches, the choir spent Tuesday at the Town Hall putting in their final rehearsal for the Energize performance at the Swan theatre next week. Joined by a number of other schools, they sang and acted brilliantly and I am looking forward to the show and seeing all their hard work come to fruition. Well done children, thank you to Mrs Brand and Mrs Bowe and **GOOD LUCK** for the show!!

ALI BABA!

We enjoyed two performances from Years 3&4 this

week as they presented the show 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits'. Filled with witty humour



and one-liners, the performance had us laughing and smiling throughout as the children sang, danced, acted and performed the story with confidence and enthusiasm. Well done to our soloist singers – that's a really brave thing to do! Thank you to the Y3&4 staff for putting the performance together, and especially to Miss Lovall and Miss Blandford for their directorial efforts!

SCHOOL TRAVEL PLAN

Buckinghamshire Council Schools' Sustainable Transport Team, in partnership with Living

Streets, are coming into **STOKENCHURCH** on **Wednesday 19th March 2025** for a special WOW assembly.

We look forward to welcoming them to our school as we strengthen our commitment to sustainable transport.






IMPORTANT MESSAGES

KISS & DROP




Our Kiss and Drop system is available every day, allowing children (Y1-Y6) to be dropped off smoothly at school. On occasions when other family members are dropping off children, please explain the system to them to avoid congestion. Thank you 😊



<p>NEW BEHAVIOUR POLICY</p>	<p>As mentioned before half term, our new Behaviour Policy is now on the school website and we will be launching to the children on Monday, 10th March. It is a long policy, but the key / useful bits are Appendix 2 (Behaviour escalation chart) and Appendix 7 (a 2-page cue card summary of the policy).</p> <p>Please find on our website or use the link below: Behaviour Policy</p>	
<p>AMAZON WISH LIST</p>	<p>We have updated our Amazon Wishlist – a way you can directly purchase items for your child's year group! To purchase items please click the link below. Thank you.</p> <p>https://amzn.eu/aw5up8c</p>	
<p>NEW HOME LEARNING POLICY</p>	<p>Please find our new Home Learning policy on the school website (under 'Statutory Information') or use the link below.</p> <p>Home Learning Policy</p>	

<p>NEXT WEEK'S SCHOOL COMPOSER (Music we listen to in class and assembly)</p>	 <p>Guillame Ferran</p>
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PTA NEWS






Welcome to our PTA news section. This week, we have included a few reminders about how you can help and support the school without having to do anything...

Ways you can help support our fundraising:

1. Easy fundraising – booking a holiday? Ordering items? Go to our easy fundraising page first and then access the company from there – each company offers different % donations, but a simple step to raise funds for the school! [Easyfundraising](#)
2. Our Blue textile bin for clothing donations, located at the top school entrance
3. Stikins labels for clothing - fundraising code is 22424

Please visit the PTA section (in the parents section) for more information about any of the above and upcoming events



SAFEGUARDING SLOT

safeguarding@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk

Online games like Roblox can be a fun way for friends to socialise, but multiplayer gameplay with strangers comes with risks. Anonymity can lead to misuse, exposing children to inappropriate content or harm. In-game purchases and scams also pose financial risks. Parents and educators should stay informed about these dangers and how to keep children safe. [This free guide](#) provides expert advice on ensuring a safe and enjoyable Roblox experience.



A reminder: we're encouraging parents to connect through the **Smartphone Free Childhood** WhatsApp groups for **Stokenchurch Primary School** and **Bucks**. Please [join here](#) to find out more about [the SFC movement](#), and discuss ways to delay smartphones for children.

WHATSAP WARNING

Recent concerns have emerged at school regarding WhatsApp groups known as 'Add Everyone' or 'Add Everyone You Know'. Schools and regional police forces across the UK have warned that this group exposes children and young people to explicit and harmful material.

Imagine a room filled with children and adults where images, videos and other information are displayed on a screen for all to see. You're probably picturing a concert, a cinema or some other happy family occasion. But what if the adults in the room are those with ill intentions? What if these adults could interact with the children and encourage them to bring other young people to the room? In this room, the imagery on the screen is sexually explicit, violent, and illegal material that's highly inappropriate for children.



Sadly, this nightmarish scenario is reportedly happening on WhatsApp through the use of 'Add Everyone' group chats.

An accompanying ParentMail will be sent out with more information.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The dates below are for the next month or so.
For a full list please see (and link to) our calendar on the school website.

March 2025			
Wed 19 th	WOW Assembly	All	
Thu 20 th	Y2 School Trip – Mop End	Y2	
	KS2 Choir Energize Dress Rehearsal & Performance @ Wycombe Swan	Choir	
Sat 22 nd	KS2 Choir Energize Performance @ Wycombe Swan	Choir	
Tues 25 th	School Disco (Y1-3 5.00-6.15pm) (Y4-6 6.30-7.45pm) Note Date Change	All	
Wed 26 th	F2 Trip to Odds Farm	F2	
	Y6 SATS & Isle of Wight Meeting @ 5.00pm (School Hall)	Y6	
Fri 28 th	Y3 Bikeability	Y3	
Mon 31 st	Y5 Bikeability (all week)	Y5	
	Parents Evening 5.00 – 8.00pm (ASH parents eve Tues 22 nd April)	ALL	
April 2025			
Wed 2 nd	Parents Evening 3.30 – 6.30pm (ASH parents eve Wed 23 rd April)	ALL	
Fri 4 th	End of Term – School Closes at 1pm.	ALL	

Letter available / to follow

Please join us if you can ☺

Please note change of date

The Saturday Space

• A club for neurodivergent young people (ages 10-16) •

Build, code & operate LEGO® ROBOTICS



- Find your crowd
- Spark your creativity
- Have fun!

Where Marlow Youth Centre
Wycombe Road, SL7 3JD

When FREE taster session 1-3pm on Saturday 1st March. Then sessions 1-3pm on Saturdays 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March & 5th April

Cost Free taster then £75 for five sessions

For info Scan QR code



Professional Sports Coaching for Primary Schools

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are pleased to confirm that Stokenchurch Primary & Nursery School are offering the following clubs for the Spring Term 2024-25.

Activity	Day	Time	Year Groups	Fee
Football	Wednesday	3:20-4:30pm	3 & 4	£37.50
Multi-Sports and Dance	Friday	3:20-4:30pm	Rec, 1 & 2	£37.50

Clubs will run W/C 24th February until W/E 4th April for a total of 5 weeks. Excluding Wednesday 2nd April (parents evening) and Friday 4th April (school closes at 1pm)

Spaces are limited to 16 per club and given on a first come first served basis.

If the uptake isn't enough, then these clubs may be cancelled so please do book a space if you are interested ASAP.

To sign up visit:

<https://club-sport.classforkids.io/term/182>

Children will need to wear their PE kit or other appropriate sports kit. Please ensure your child has a re-fillable water bottle for the session. The meeting place for your child will be arranged by the school.



Spring Disco

Tuesday 25th March 2025

Years 1, 2 & 3 - 5pm-6.15pm
Years 4, 5 & 6 - 6.30pm-7.45pm

Includes drinks & snacks plus a treat to take home!

£5 via parentpay or on the door



No Mobiles or ipods allowed

High Wycombe Gang Show

Come and join us for a spectacular variety show full of music and comedy performed by members of Scouting and Girlguiding.

Everyone's welcome!

Our show, now in its 39th year, consists of 100+ local members of Scouting and Girlguiding who produce, manage and perform the entire show with a live band.

Gang Shows have a rich history, dating back to 1932. The shows of today combine new and original material, popular music and dance with traditional Gang Show values of fun and friendship.

Come and enjoy the enthusiasm, talent and achievements of our cast.



This year we are proudly supporting



SHOW INFO

Friday 4th April

7pm

Saturday 5th April

2pm & 7pm

£15 - Adults

£10 - 14 and under

Group Discounts Available.
Performances expected to last 2 hours 20 mins including Interval.

BSL Interpreted Performances.

Lancaster Arts Centre
Wycombe Abbey School High
Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
HP11 1PE

Please allow time to park, there is a 5 minute walk from the car park. Disabled parking available.



TICKET INFO
hugsboxoffice@gmail.com
highwycombegangshow.co.uk



ADHD course: Bucks

Online on 5, 12, 19 & 26 March

A course for parents of children & young people pre & post assessment for ADHD

Week 1: Introduction to ADHD

- What is ADHD?
- Challenges & concerns
- Strengths and opportunities
- Signposting to support

Week 2: ADHD and anxiety

- What is anxiety?
- What is the relationship between ADHD and anxiety?
- Coping strategies for children/young people and parents/carers

Week 3: ADHD and behaviour

- Attention deficit behaviours
- Hyperactive behaviours
- Impulsive behaviours
- Behaviour management strategies

Week 4: Support and signposting

- An overview of local and national support

Course will also include:

- Question & answer sessions
- Opportunities to talk to other parents and carers
- Facilitators with lived experience of ADHD

Time

7pm to 9pm

To book

[Click here](#) or scan code



Venue

Online via Zoom

Cost*

£50.00 (+ £4.88
Eventbrite fee)

Contact

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together.org.uk

Websites

[https://www.parentingspecial
children.co.uk/](https://www.parentingspecialchildren.co.uk/)

[https://brighterfuturestogether.
org.uk](https://brighterfuturestogether.org.uk)

* If you are in receipt of low-income benefits, tax credits, free school meals or similar, ask about our Financial Assistance Fund for help towards meeting the cost of this course