

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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£2,130 so far!

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

INDEPENDENT



😊 STOKIE'S NETBALL TEAM IN ACTION THIS WEEK! 😊

THIS WEEK:
 Y3 D&T GT MARLOW
 Y4 ETON COLLEGE
 SPARE CHANGE CHALLENGE
 NETBALL MATCH
 BIRCH CLASS ASSEMBLY
 Y4 PAVILLIONS
 BOOK FAIR UPDATE
 AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER
 Solar Panels
 MWh produced = 85.72MWh
 CO₂ saved = 48.69t

GOLDEN RULES

- READY
- RESPECTFUL
- SAFE

😊 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 😊

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|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----|------------|-----|-------------|-----|
| ATTENDANCE | 97.7% Pear | | 97.2% Lime | | 96.6% Larch | |
| GOLDEN FOLDER | Y1 | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Y6 |
| | 174 | 176 | 133 | 174 | 131 | 144 |
| KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD | 🌳 PEAR 🌳 | | | | | |
| HENRY THE HOOVER AWARD | 🌳 ELM CLASS & CHERRY CLASS 🌳 | | | | | |
| 'BUCKET FILLING' CHAMPIONS | 🎓 YEAR 2 | | | | | |



FROM THE HEAD'S CHAIR

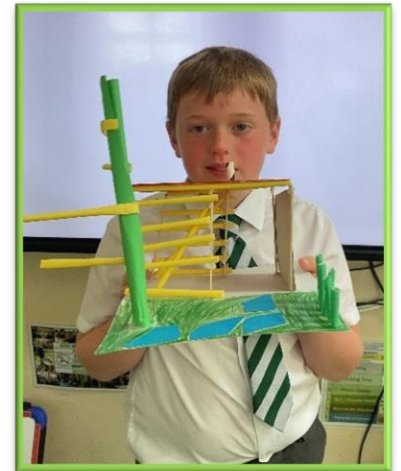


You can donate to our swimming pool project here:
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🔔 SUBSCRIBE TO OUR CALENDAR

Just a quick reminder – you can **subscribe to our school calendar** so all our important dates appear directly in your **phone diary**. Simply click on **SUBSCRIBE** on the **calendar page** of the website and follow the instructions for your device. Stay up to date with ease – no more missing events! ✓

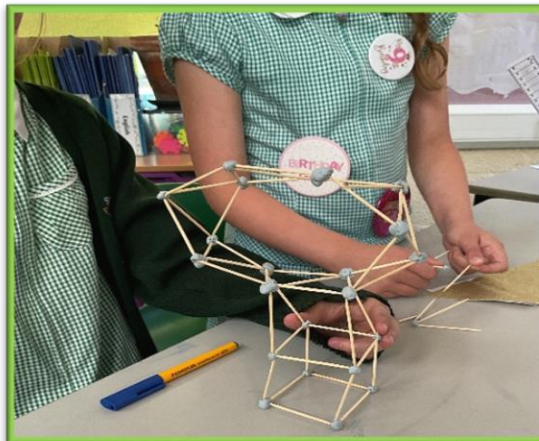


Y4 PAVILLIONS

This week in DT Year 4 have been making their own Pavilions using lollipop sticks, straws and pipe cleaners to make their structures.

YEAR 4 ETON COLLEGE TRIP

Year 4 enjoyed a visit to Eton College on Thursday, where they experienced the college itself and visited the exhibits in the museum. It was really lovely to receive an email from the college on our return that said "It was lovely to have the Year 4's yesterday. I thought they were very well behaved, had good questions and answers, and really participated well. They were especially good when let loose in the galleries! Well-done to our Y4 children and thank you to the Y4 team, Mr Sloan and the parents for accompanying them and making it happen 😊"



FAREWELL TO MISS MORGAN...

Good bye and Best Wishes to Miss Morgan who will be leaving us this term to spend some more time with her family. You will be missed here at **STOKENCHURCH**, especially by the children in Reception, and we wish you all the best in your future endeavours.



NETBALL TEAM NEWS!

The Netball Team played two brilliant matches home and away against Holy Trinity CofE Marlow. They showed great teamwork and skill, narrowly losing both games. I am really proud of how they have all progressed throughout the season. Special mention to Neve who was chosen as the opposition player of the match for our home game and Aniah for the away game.'

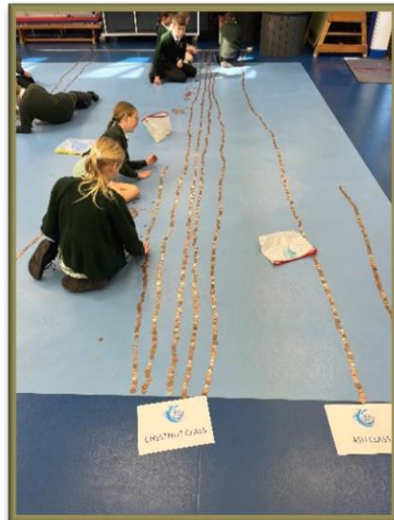
The girls played a great match against a fast St John's team. They kept battling to the end and should be very proud of themselves. A special mention to Aniah who was again chosen as the opposition's player of the match. Keep going girls. You are improving with every game and I am so impressed with how much progress you have made.'



BOOK FAIR UPDATE

A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!

I was overwhelmed with the amount of people that came to our



book fair to buy books and stationary! There were so many of you and so many children going away with brand new books to read- amazing! I hope you enjoy reading them.

For every book sold, we have been given money to spend on more books for our school and thanks to your generosity, we now have £1105.34 to spend!! Wow!

A big thank you from me and an even bigger thank you from everyone at **STOKENCHURCH!** See you at the book

fair next year!



SPARE CHANGE CHALLENGE

Thank you to everyone who rummaged behind sofas and emptied piggy banks to support our spare change challenge, in support of **STOKIE'S BIG SPLASH**. We raised an impressive £250 in total, and the top results were as follows:

Chestnut did the most widths of the pool - 5.5 widths of the pool and raised the most (£68.78) followed by Beech class with £28.54 and Holly class with £26.20. Well-done everyone – every little helps!

BIRCH CLASS ASSEMBLY

This morning we were treated to a super class assembly from Birch Class. They shared their science





learning from this year, covering topics such as animals, plants and habitats. The level of scientific vocabulary and understanding was super and peppered with singing, costumes and actions, they presented

confidently to a packed hall of smiling faces. Well-done Birch class and thank you to Miss Colliass and Mrs Brand for putting it all together! 😊

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

I.T. PLEA

🔌 Lightning Cable Donations Needed!

We're running **low on lightning cables** (please see photo to the right) and need your help! 🙏 If you have any **spare cables at home** that you no longer need, we'd be **very grateful** for donations to help us keep our iPads **charged and ready to use**. ⚡🔋 Please send any cables in, clearly marked for the attention of Mrs Whelan.

Thank you so much for your support! ❤️



AMAZON WISH LIST

📦🛒 Amazon Wishlist Updated!

We've updated our Amazon Wishlist – a simple way for you to **directly purchase items** to support your child's year group! 📖📚 To browse and buy, just click the link below:

🔗 <https://amzn.eu/aw5up8c>

Thank you so much for your continued support! ❤️



THIS MONTH'S SCHOOL COMPOSER

(Music we listen to in class and assembly)



Ola Gjeilo

SAFEGUARDING SLOT



safeguarding@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN MINECRAFT

Minecraft continues to be a hugely popular game with children, offering endless opportunities to build, explore and be creative. Its open-ended nature is part of the appeal – but it also means that, without guidance, young players may encounter risks. These can include contact with strangers on public servers, frustration if their creations are damaged by others, or spending too much time online, which can affect sleep, schoolwork and friendships.

[This free guide](#) can help parents and carers understand the game and how to keep children safe while they play. It includes advice on selecting age-appropriate settings, setting boundaries around screen time and managing in-game spending.

PTA NEWS



EASY WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Looking for simple ways to help raise funds for the school? Here are 3 quick and easy options:

1. EASYFUNDRAISING

Booking a holiday? Ordering online? Visit our **Easyfundraising page first**, then access your chosen company through there. Each retailer offers a different % donation – an easy way to help the school at no extra cost to you! Search "Easyfundraising" to get started.

2. CLOTHING DONATIONS

Drop off unwanted clothing in our **Blue Textile Bin** located at the **top school entrance**. A great way to recycle and raise money!

3. STIKINS NAME LABELS

Label your child's clothes while supporting us! Use our **fundraising code: 22424** when ordering from Stikins.



easyfundraising | TESCO

A chance to receive £1,000 in funding for your school or nursery
When supporters shop with Tesco this May!

Tesco and easyfundraising have come together to give a little help to schools, nurseries and other community-based causes across the UK.

Your school or nursery could receive one of five £1,000 funding pots

This month, if staff and parents shop with Tesco via the easyfundraising website or app, your school or nursery will receive free donations AND will be in with the chance of receiving a £1,000 funding pot!

To enter the Tesco Community Pledge draw:

1. Register your school or nursery with easyfundraising
2. Ask parents and staff to sign up to support your school or nursery.
3. Encourage them to shop with Tesco via easyfundraising by May 31st. Each time they do, your school or nursery has a better chance of receiving £1,000 worth of funding.

Plus, when your supporters shop with Tesco in May, they'll raise £10 for you if it's their first online shop with Tesco, and 50p for each subsequent shop they do at no extra cost, all courtesy of Tesco!

Let everyone know how they can help – for free!

easyfundraising will help you get more supporters on board. Just use these free downloadable images, flyers and messages to share.

[Sign up to easyfundraising](#)

For more details on any of the above and to see **upcoming events**, please visit the **PTA section** (found in the **Parents section**) on our website.
Thank you for your continued support!

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.

| June 2025 | | | |
|-----------|---|---------|--|
| Mon 2nd | Teacher Training Day – No School | All | |
| Tues 3rd | Back to School | All | |
| Wed 4th | Y5 11+ Transfer Meeting @ 5.30pm. | Y5 | |
| Fri 6th | Y3 Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park | Y3 | |
| | Ash Class Assembly | F2 | |
| Sat 7th | Choir singing at Stokenchurch Village Fete at 2:45pm | Choir | |
| Mon 9th | Tempest – Class & Team Photos | All | |
| Thur 12th | Y5 Willen Lake | Y5 | |
| Fri 13th | | | |
| Mon 16th | All week - Y6 Residential Trip – Isle Of Wight | Y6 | |
| Tues 17th | PTA Discos (F2, Y1, Y2: 5pm-6:15pm / Y3, Y4, Y5: 6:30pm-7:45pm) | F2 – Y5 | |
| Wed 25th | Sports Day | All | |
| Fri 27th | Beech Class Assembly | Y1 | |

Letter available / to follow

Please join us if you can 😊

Please note change of date

COMMUNITY PAGES



A FREE two-hour workshops for parents and carers of Year 6 children in Buckinghamshire schools

Part I - Becoming Independent in Readiness for Secondary School (FMTR108)

How can I build my child's confidence, resilience and independence, helping to make the move into Secondary school a positive one?

- Wednesday 2nd July, 9:30 am - 11:30 am
- Wednesday 2nd July, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Part II - Getting Prepared for Starting Secondary School (FMTR109)

How can I prepare my child with their move to Secondary school and understand the changes in expectations and within the curriculum?

- Wednesday 9th July, 9:30 am - 11:30 am
- Wednesday 9th July, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

To book your FREE place, choose a date and contact our enrolment team on 01296 383582, scan the QR code or click on the link. For more information call/text Lou on 07814 305345



ONLINE SCHOOLS COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS

To book your FREE place call our enrolment team on 01296 383582, SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the [course code link](#) below

RECEPTION

Getting Confident for Year 1 (5 weeks) FMGC022

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Monday 2 June - 30 June | 9:30am - 11:30am |
| Wednesday 4 June - 2 July | 9:30 am - 11:30 am |



RECEPTION WORKSHOPS

These workshops are listed in date order

| DATE | TIMES | TITLE |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|
| Tuesday 3 June | 9:30am - 11:30am | Fun Science through Stories (FMSC010) |
| Tuesday 10 June | 9:30am - 11:30am | Developing Writing through Stories (FMWS026) |
| Tuesday 17 June | 9:30am - 11:30am | Help your Child with Handwriting (FMHA009) |
| Tuesday 24 June | 9:30am - 11:30am | Wellbeing Workshop - Reception (FMWB098) |
| Tuesday 1 July | 9:30 am - 11:30 am | Have Fun While Learning Outside (FMLO087) |

Science
 Stories

Active



FAMILY LEARNING- AYLESBURY

EARLY YEARS WORKSHOPS

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| Story Workshop: 10 Little Pirates (EYLP001) | Tuesday 27 May 1 pm - 3 pm | Southcourt Family Centre |
| | Wednesday 28 May 9:30am-11:30am | Berryfields Family Centre |
| Little Music Makers (EYMM036) | Tuesday 3 June 1pm-3pm | Southcourt Family Centre |
| | Wednesday 4 June 9:30am-11:30am | Berryfields Family Centre |
| Get Ready for Reception-Parents Only (EYGR006) | Thursday 5 June 9:30am-11:30am | Elmhurst Family Centre |

EARLY YEARS COURSES (5 weeks)

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| Wonderful One - Learning through Play EYPL053 * | 10 th June- 8 th July 9.30-11.30am | Berryfields Family Centre |
| Confident Me (EYCM032) | 12 June-10 July 10am-12pm | Elmhurst Family Centre |
| Little Gardeners (EYLG046) | 10 June-8 July 1pm-3pm | Southcourt Family Centre |
| | 11 June- 9 July 9.30am-11:30am | Berryfields Family Centre |

These courses and workshops are suitable for parents and carers with children aged 2-4 years and * 1-2 years where indicated. To book your FREE place call our enrolment team on 01296 383582 or scan the QR code. For more information call/text Jo on 07845 053361 with your name + course code



Wonderful One - Mapledean Family Centre

Join our workshops with your child, for parents and carers of children aged 1-2 years.

Wonderful One Workshops

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| Wonderful One - Sensory Play EYPL047 | Wednesday 11 June | 10am-12pm |
| Wonderful One - Music and Movement EYMM037 | Wednesday 18 June | 10am-12pm |
| Wonderful One - Treasure Baskets EYWO020 | Wednesday 25 June | 10am-12pm |
| Wonderful One- Storytime(EYPL050) | Wednesday 2 July | 10am-12pm |
| Wonderful One- Nursery Rhymes(EYPL051) | Wednesday 9 July | 10am-12pm |

Paediatric First Aid Workshop (EYFA042)

Wednesday 4th June- 10am-12pm



These courses and workshops are suitable for parents and carers with children aged 1-2 years. To book your FREE place call our enrolment team on 01296 383582, scan the QR code. For more information call/text Sarah on 07825 862029 with your name + course code



25K,
75K, 110K
Routes



Book Online Now

CHIP TIMING

Sunday 8th June 2025
Stoke Mandeville Stadium

tourdevale.com info@tourdevale.com 01296 395995

Supported by



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YEARS 3&4

Support Your Child with Fractions, Decimals and Percentages (5 weeks) **FMED106**



Monday 9th June 9:30am - 11:30am



Support your child with Science (5 weeks) **FMSC075**

Tuesday 10th June 9:30am - 11:30am



YEARS 4-5

Practical Advice for Parents to Support their Children with the Pressures and Anxieties of the 11+- Part 1 (2-hour workshop) **FMEP095**

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| Tuesday 10 June | 6.30-8.30pm |
| Wednesday 11 June | 6.30-8.30pm |
| Thursday 12 June | 9.30-11.30am |
| Thursday 12 June | 6.30-8.30pm |
| Tuesday 1 July | 6.30-8.30pm |



Expectations of the 11+ and Useful Information to Support your Child- Part 2 (2-hour workshop) **FMEP096**

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| Tuesday 17 June | 6.30-8.30pm |
| Wednesday 18 June | 6.30-8.30pm |
| Thursday 19 June | 9.30-11.30am |
| Thursday 19 June | 6.30-8.30pm |
| Tuesday 8 July | 6.30-8.30pm |



YEARS 3-6



Develop your Child's Self-Esteem and Self-Belief Through Problem Solving (**FMWB021**)

Wednesday 9 July 7:00pm-9:00pm



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YEARS 1&2

Support Your Child with Science (5 weeks) **FMSC074**



| | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Monday 9 June- 7 July | 6:30pm-8:30pm |
| Tuesday 10 June- 8 July | 9:30-11:30am |
| Thursday 12 June- 10 July | 9:30am - 11:30am |

YEARS 1&2 WORKSHOPS



Moving Up- Support your Child's Transition to the Next Year Group (**FMITR083**)



Chemistry (**FMCS108**)

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| Monday 14 July | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Wednesday 4 June | 9:30am-11:30am |
| Tuesday 15 July | 9:30am-11:30am | Thursday 5 June | 6:30pm-8:30pm |
| Thursday 17 July | 9:30am-11:30am | | |

YEARS 1 & 2 WELLBEING

Wednesday 4 June- 2 July 7:00pm - 9:00pm Support Your Child's Wellbeing **FMWB008** (5-weeks)



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| Monday 23 June | 7:00pm - 9:00pm | Support Your Child with ADHD at Home Y1-11 (FMAC135) |
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FAMILY LEARNING AT AMERSHAM, SUMMER TERM



EARLY YEARS WORKSHOPS

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--|
| Getting Ready for Reception (EYGR006) | Tuesday 17 June 9.30am - 11.30am | ONLINE | |
| Getting Ready for Reception (EYGR006) | Tuesday 8 July 9.30am- 11.30am | ONLINE | |



EARLY YEARS COURSES



Fun with Words (EYFW054) 11 June - 9 July 10.00am-12.00pm Amersham Family Centre



These courses and workshops are suitable for parents and carers with children aged 2-4 years. To book your FREE place call our enrolment team on 01296 383582, scan the QR code or click on the link. For more information call/text Wendy on 07768 044813 with your name + course code



Buckinghamshire Family Learning

Family Learning Workshops and Courses at Hampden Way Family Centre

Suitable for
parents and
carers of
children aged
2-4 years.



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|---|---|-----------|
| Little Cooks (EYCK001) | Wednesdays 4 June, 25 June 2 July, 9 July and 16 July | 10am-12pm |
| Little Gardeners (EYLG046) | Tuesday 10 June- 1 July | 1pm-3pm |
| Get Ready for Reception (Parent and child) EYGR005 | Tuesday 3 June | 1pm-3pm |

To book your FREE place call our
enrolment team on 01296 383582, scan
the QR code. For more information text
Sarah on 07825 862029 with your name
+ course code

SCAN ME



GET CREATIVE THIS HALF-TERM

HELP TELL THE STORY OF THE MARLOW DONKEY RAILWAY

The Marlow Donkey railway may be a small line, but it has a big story — connecting Marlow, Bourne End and surrounding towns for over 150 years.

Join us this May half term for free, hands-on creative workshops, where young people will explore local history and their own ideas to help shape a new illustrated walking trail for the community.

When: Friday 30 May

Cost: Free – [booking required](#)

Location: Marlow Youth & Community Centre, Wycombe Road, SL7 3JD

Sessions:

Morning (10:00am–12:00pm): Primary school children (ages 5–10) with a parent/carer

Afternoon (1:00pm–3:00pm): Young people aged 11–16

No experience needed – just bring your creativity and curiosity.

For more info and to book your place [click here](#)



Flyer attached

Hosted by Brighter Futures Together CIC, with support from Great Western Railway and Buckinghamshire Council.

Discover Bucks Museum
Church Street
Aylesbury HP20 2QP
discoverbucksmuseum.org
01296 33441

May Half Term fun

24 May - 1 June 2025

Discover the Wonders of Space with hands-on fun activities for the whole family including space science, space puppets and space sculpture plus lots more!

Discover more at [discoverbucksmuseum.org](#) or scan the QR code

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

SCAN ME

Blast off with our space-themed May half term

Space Science
Monday 26 May 10.30am, 12.30pm & 2.30pm
Join us for space-themed science experiments, including making your own stomp-rockets! Suitable for 5+ years.

Space Suncatchers
Tuesday 27 May, 10am - 3pm
Make a space-themed suncatcher. Suitable for 3+ years.

Space Puppets
Wednesday 28 May, 10am - 3pm
Design your own scary space monster puppet. Suitable for 3+ years.

Space Mobiles
Thursday 29 May, 10am - 3pm
Make space mobile to hang up at home. Suitable for 5+ years.

Space Sculptures
Friday 30 May, 10am - 3pm
Sculpt your own space creature out of clay to take home. Suitable for 3+ years.

Play, Discover, Learn!
this May half term in
the Roald Dahl
Children's Gallery

For more event details,
charges and to book
please scan the QR code
or visit
[discoverbucksmuseum.org](#)

COMES AND JOIN US IN...
space

Beyond the Stars: a propmaker's guide to the galaxy

24 May - 5 October

Discover the art of Sci-Fi special effects in this major new exhibition with original models and props used in classic British TV shows including Doctor Who, Red Dwarf and The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy. With captivating exhibits and fun activities, there's something for everyone to enjoy from families to long-time fans of the shows.

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[discoverbucksmuseum.org](#)

ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

Opens this half term!