

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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£57,910 so far!

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

SUCCESSFUL



😊 OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL VISITED FOXES PIECE THIS WEEK! 😊

THIS WEEK:
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 AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER
 Solar Panels
 MWh produced = 87.41 MWh
 CO₂ saved = 49.65t

GOLDEN RULES
 READY
 RESPECTFUL
 SAFE

😊 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 😊

ATTENDANCE	Ash 99.4%		Lime 98.3%		Cherry 97.9%	
GOLDEN FOLDER	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	184	218	173	216	211	229
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD	CHESTNUT					
HENRY THE HOOVER AWARD	TBC					
'BUCKET FILLING' CHAMPIONS	YEAR 4					



FROM THE HEAD'S CHAIR



You can donate to our swimming pool project here:
<https://justgiving.com/campaign/stokiesbigsplash>
 Together, we can make waves and build something amazing!
 #SwimForAll #CommunitySupport #ThankYou
 #MakeADifference #Fundraiser #TogetherWeCan

We're up to nearly **£58,000** raised so far and I know the children have really enjoyed their swim in this week. I look forward to sharing details of the winners and total raised when we have it!

ACHIEVEMENTS OUTSIDE SCHOOL



Macy's cheer team competed in Nottingham last weekend. They came 1st place in their category and also received the National Champion award for their division! We've presented certificates and trophy's in assembly and were really proud of her achievement. Well-done Macy!



Engineer Award – Elodie was one of the national winners from Stokenchurch and she and her family travelled to the awards ceremony in Milton Keynes last week to be presented with her award. Well-done Elodie – we are all really proud of you!



GREENHOUSE GIANTS

We are really pleased with how the polytunnel is coming on. Despite the incredibly hot temperatures in there over the last couple of weeks (40+ degrees on a couple of occasions), a small but perfectly formed group of children have been watering and weeding, nurturing and tending. The plants have



really taken off and as you can see in the pics, we are starting to see some of the fruits of our labour. I will keep you posted about how we get on before the end of term...

SCHOOL COUNCIL VISIT TO FOXES PIECE



On Friday morning our School Council climbed aboard the community minibus for their special visit to Foxes Piece. In May the councillors from there came to visit **STOKENCHURCH** and this was our opportunity to make the return visit. We were welcomed by Mrs Khawaja as we arrived and set off on a tour of their school, lead by the school councillors themselves. After a short break and a drink (it was very hot) we

collaborated to talk about responsibilities in our respective schools and share ideas for the future. The children talked and listened brilliantly and did us proud. We finished by attending the Y6 mini-enterprise stalls and enjoyed a quick pic of the occasion before our return journey. Well-done to the children for representing **STOKENCHURCH** with pride and thank you to Mr Sloan for leading the visit. Thank you also to Mrs Khawaja and Foxes Piece school for making us feel so welcome! 😊



PTA SUMMER FAIR

Many thanks to the hundreds of children and parents who showed up last weekend to celebrate and support our Summer Fair. The weather was touch and go for a little while, but the combination of stalls, refreshments, challenges and attractions were a

brilliant mix. The choir put on a special performance in the arena area and the Y6 children presented their 'mini-enterprise' stalls (more info below). It was a really warm atmosphere throughout and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy their day. Mrs Springett and the PTA did a sterling job of the planning and organisation, thank you to Chris for supplying the music, well-done to Mrs Brand and the choir for such a lovely performance and thank you to all the school staff who turned out and pitched in. We raised a fabulous £2700 and we are all really pleased and proud of the result. Thank you for supporting our school and enabling us to keep providing those little extras (and sometimes big ones) to the benefit of ALL our children 😊





YEAR 6 MINI ENTERPRISE – THE RESULTS ARE IN!

Well-done to our super Y6 children who took up the challenge to raise money for the PTA and their end of year celebrations by running a stall in groups at the summer fair. There were 12 teams in all and collectively they managed to raise an impressive **£482.63!!!** That's all profit and will be split between the PTA and the Y6 celebration equally. All the stalls were brilliant – from the penalty shoot to the axe throwing! The winners of the most profitable stall however win a special prize (£10 Amazon Voucher) and the results are below...

1 ST PLACE	2 ND PLACE	3 RD PLACE
Team 11 The Boys Archie, Lukas, Daniel, Jacob, Edward £62.90	Team 8 The Best Team Amber, Issy, Lelle £57.15	Team 3 Thick Pick Prize Charlotte & Violet £52.85

Well-done to all the children for your enthusiasm...the sum you raised together will make your special celebration even better!

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

AMAZON WISH LIST	<p style="text-align: center;">Amazon Wishlist Updated!</p> <p>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: https://amzn.eu/aw5up8c Thank you so much for your continued support!</p>	
REPORTING ABSENCE	<p>If reporting a child absent, please select option 1 and leave a voicemail on the absence line or report via parent mail. Thank you 😊</p>	
LATE ARRIVAL?	<p>We are seeing an increasing number of late children each day with some days reaching at least 20 children arriving after the gates have closed. We understand that sometimes circumstances are outside of your control but please endeavour to bring your child to school on time every day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">School starts at 8.45am Mon-Fri.</p>	
SCHOOL PARKING	<p>Please do not park in the school car park or in the layby in front of the school unless you have specifically been given permission to do so.</p>	

THIS MONTH'S SCHOOL COMPOSER (Music we listen to in class and assembly)		Ola Gjeilo
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SAFEGUARDING SLOT

safeguarding@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk

VIOLENT CONTENT ONLINE

Many children are coming across violent or upsetting content online, even if they're not looking for it – often through social media or videos shared by others. This exposure can affect their feelings and behaviour, sometimes making harmful ideas seem normal. Our latest online safety guide for parents explains these risks and offers practical advice on how to support your child. It also highlights why some young people might feel pressured to share or create violent content themselves. You can read the full guide here: [Violent Online Content – Parent Guide \(PDF\)](#).

YOU TUBE KIDS

YouTube Kids promises a safe, child-centric experience with colourful visuals, age-filtered content, and robust parental controls. Designed to appeal to younger viewers, the app has grown rapidly, being used by tens of millions of children worldwide. But is it as safe as it seems?

Despite YouTube Kids' safeguards, reports have highlighted worrying issues, such as inappropriate content slipping through filters, subtle advertising, and the use of manipulative design to keep children engaged. [This guide](#) explores how to navigate these pitfalls, offering practical advice for making sure children get the most from the platform – without the risks.

For more information and helpful tips, please visit our Online Safety page on the school website, where you'll find a range of useful resources to support families in keeping children safe online: [Online Safety](#).



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.

July 2025			
Tues 15 th	Y6 Production 6pm	Y6	
Wed 16 th	Meet the New Teacher	All	
Fri 18 th	Reports Home	All	
Tue 22 nd	Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.00am	Y6	
	Y6 Leavers Disco 6pm – 7.30pm	Y6	
Wed 23 rd	End of term @ 1pm	All	
Letter available / to follow		Please join us if you can 😊	Please note change of date

COMMUNITY PAGES



Dear Headteacher,
I hope you are well.

I have great pleasure in sending you the summer edition of All About Family. The free digital magazine aimed at giving your parents valuable information for their children. There is exclusive content from NSPCC, St John Ambulance plus more.

Within there is advice on;

- Internet Safety with NSPCC
- Making The Leap to High School
- Calming Back to School Nerves
- New Books
- First Aid with St John Ambulance
- Portion Control
- Family Law Advice with Cornwell Dawson
- Child Bereavement with Winston's Wish
- Benefits of Football to Children
- Protecting Children's Eyes From UV Damage
- Plus more.....

Below is a link to the Summer edition

www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine/

Family Centre Open Mornings

Come and meet the Family Hub team
and find out more about your local
Family Centre

**Free activities for young people
up to 10 years old**

- Arts and crafts
- Interactive music session with Band in a Van
- Outdoor activities

If you have any questions, email familyinfo@buckinghamshire.gov.uk



10 am to 12 midday

Friday 25 July	Tuesday 5 August	Wednesday 13 August	Thursday 21 August
Southcourt Family Centre Plus	Berryfields Family Centre	Wing Family Centre	Elmhurst Family Centre



Buckinghamshire
Council



SCAN
ME 



Youthspace

Come and meet the Family Hub Team and join in with the free activities for young people 11 to 19 (up to 25 with SEND)

SCAN ME



- Switch console
- Graffiti art workshop
- Sport activities
- Arts and crafts



Berryfields Family Centre
Wednesday 30 July
3pm to 5pm



Southcourt Family centre Plus
Monday 18 August
3pm to 5pm



If you have any questions about additional support you may need contact familyinfo@buckinghamshire.gov.uk