

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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£63,987 so far!

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

RESILIENT



THIS WEEK:
 Y5/Y6 CAROL CONCERTS
 PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR
 CHRISTMAS LUNCH
 CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL
 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
 AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER
 Solar Panels
 produced = 89.71 MWh
 CO₂ saved = 50.95 t

GOLDEN RULES

READY

RESPECTFUL

SAFE



MAGICAL MOMENTS @ STOKENCHURCH!



☺ THINGS TO CELEBRATE ☺

ATTENDANCE	Prunus - 98.5%		Elm - 98.2%		Ash - 97.8%	
GOLDEN FOLDER	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	65	85	85	84	93	112
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD			Larch			
THIS TERM'S SCHOOL COMPOSER (Music we listen to in class and assembly)			Philip Glass			



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



PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR

I would like to wish a huge thank you to Mrs Springett and the PTA team for the fabulous Christmas fair last Saturday. We enjoyed Santa's Grotto, a special dance performance wonderful turkey baps and lots of games, stalls and Christmassy activities.



The Y6 elves did a brilliant job and wrapped up by a super raffle, we raised an impressive £2000 for the school and a really wonderful time was had by all. Thank you to all the children and families who braved the rain to come out and support us as well as the school staff who did their bit to help make the event such a success. Happy Christmas everyone!



Y5&6 CAROL CONCERTS

On Monday and Tuesday afternoons, Y5 and then Y6



children walked to the local church in the village where a gathered audience of parents and families awaited the annual carol concerts. The children sang beautifully on both occasions and the audience even





joined in! Thank you to the Y5 and Y6 teams for preparing and accompanying the children. It was a super occasion and a lovely early Christmas present for everyone lucky enough to attend. 😊

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Wednesday was Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch-day at **STOKENCHURCH**. The children dressed for the occasion in their super Christmas jumpers and enjoyed a super turkey lunch with all the trimmings – including parsnips and brussels sprouts! Huge thanks to our cracking team of lunch servers and Global Café for providing the lovely lunch and well-done children for wearing your jumpers with pride – I think the pictures tell the story of happy children, empty service and a wonderful start to the Christmas season at **STOKENCHURCH**!

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S CHURCH

The children in Year 2 were invited to join the Christmas Tree Festival at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church this year. The children made some beautiful decorations and the tree is now decorated and ready for viewing



in the church. The main event is on **Saturday 6th** and **Sunday 7th December**. We do hope you can go and view our **STOKIE** School tree! Thank you to Mrs Elliott and Mrs Rance too 😊





GOLDEN FOLDER

One of the highlights of my day is when children come to share their excellent work or other achievements with me for my golden folder. Stickers and postcards ensue, but the best bit is the pride they feel in sharing their work and the smiles on their faces as they leave is by far the best bit. Here's some children from Nursery who came to see me for the first time this term 😊

SEN SLOT



We kindly ask that you do not purchase or send fidgets, wobble cushions, or any other SEN-related equipment into school for your child unless this has been discussed and agreed with the class teacher beforehand. These resources are used purposefully to support specific learning needs, and introducing them without prior agreement can sometimes cause distractions or difficulties within the classroom. If you feel your child may benefit from additional support or equipment, please speak to the class teacher, who will be happy to discuss this with you. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

AMAZON WISHLIST

We have recently updated our Amazon wishlist! Here you can purchase items for your child's year group to be delivered directly to the school: <https://amzn.eu/aw5up8c>



SAFE ROUTE IN & OUT OF SCHOOL

Please can I ask that you use the pedestrian gates to enter / exit the school site at drop off and pick up times. We have seen a couple of near misses with cars this week and want to keep your children as safe as possible. Thank you in advance.



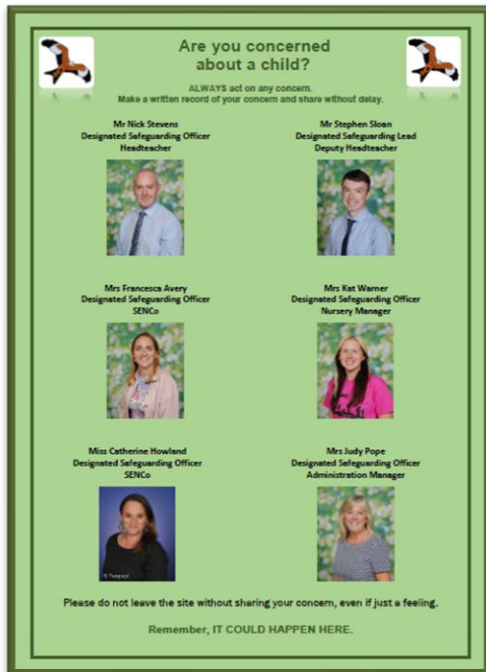
TESCO GRANTS

We are fortunate to have recently received 2 grants from the Tesco Stronger Starts scheme. These will be used for playground redevelopment and educational resources. Thank you to everyone who voted for us in local Tesco stores 😊

Stronger Starts

SAFEGUARDING: IT'S EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

REMEMBER, IT COULD HAPPEN HERE (AND PROBABLY DOES).



Are you concerned about a child?
ALWAYS act on any concern.
Make a written record of your concern and share without delay.

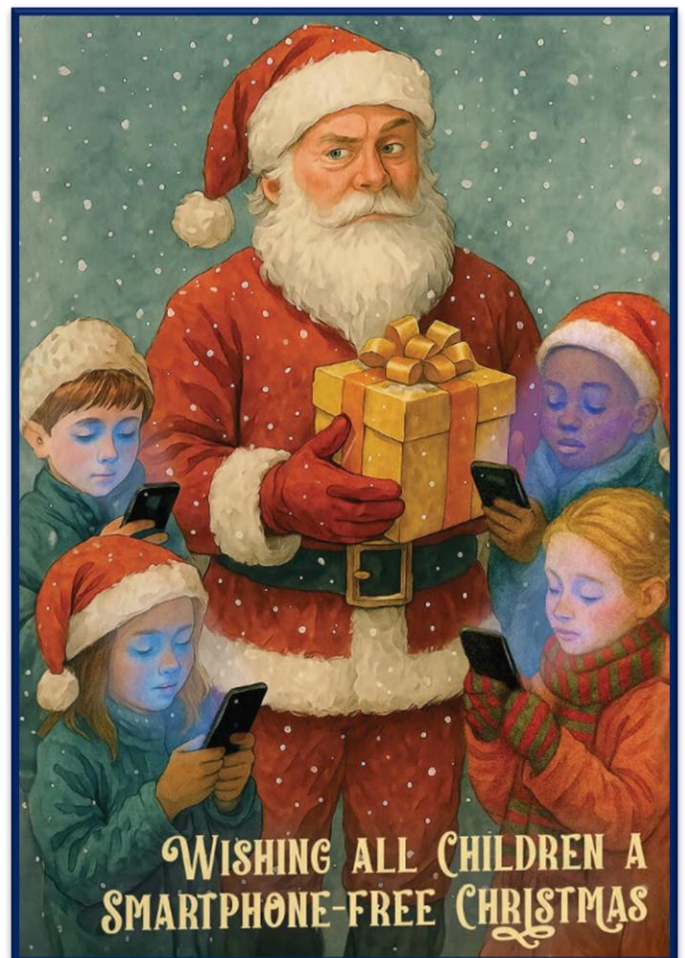
Mr Nick Stevens Designated Safeguarding Officer Headteacher	Mr Stephen Sloan Designated Safeguarding Lead Deputy Headteacher
Mrs Francesca Avery Designated Safeguarding Officer SENCo	Mrs Kat Warner Designated Safeguarding Officer Nursery Manager
Miss Catherine Nowland Designated Safeguarding Officer SENCo	Mrs Judy Pope Designated Safeguarding Officer Administration Manager

Please do not leave the site without sharing your concern, even if just a feeling.
Remember, IT COULD HAPPEN HERE.

If you have any concerns about a child or notice something that makes you feel uncomfortable, please contact one of our DSL team (in confidence) who are always happy to listen.

SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD

This Christmas, we're supporting the national [Smartphone Free Childhood](#) campaign, which highlights how easily special childhood moments can be lost behind a screen. The campaign's striking images remind us how important it is to protect children's attention, imagination and wellbeing. As a school, we echo this message and strongly encourage families to delay giving smartphones to primary-aged children. This also aligns with our phased ban on smartphones in schools from September for Year 5. Please join the [SFC WhatsApp group](#) to connect with our families and sign the [Parent Pact](#).



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.

Sat 6 th	Y2 Christmas Tree Festival entry at the Village Church	ALL	
Tues 9 th	Travelling Pantomime (at school) Funded by PTA	ALL	
	Y6 Pear Parent Consultation Evening 4.00 – 6.00pm.	Y6	
Wed 10 th	Y6 Pear Parent Consultation Evening 4.00 – 5.30pm.	Y6	
Thurs 11 th	Reception Christmas Performance – 9:15am	F2	
Tue 16 th	Y1/Y2 Christmas Performance – 9:30am	Y1/Y2	
	F2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 Christmas Party	F2/Y3/Y4/ Y5/Y6	
Wed 17 th	Y1/Y2 Christmas Performance – 1.45pm	Y1/Y2	
Thurs 18 th	Nursery Stay & Sing – 9:45am-11:15am	F1	
	Nursery Stay & Sing – 1:30pm-3:00pm	F1	
	Y1/Y2 Christmas Party	Y1/Y2	
Fri 19 th	Nursery Christmas Party	F1	
	School Closes for Christmas Holidays – 1:00pm	ALL	

Letter available / to follow	Please join us if you can 😊	Please note change of date
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BIG SPLASH UPDATE!

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Our BIG SPLASH fundraising campaign continues and the committee have lots of ideas of helping us reach our target for the pool. We have a very fancy totaliser which shows our progress and will be updated regularly through the newsletter after half term. If you can donate, please do. If you work for a company or organisation that can help or signpost our campaign, go for it. If you have any contacts or ideas, please don't hesitate to get in touch as we all work together to bring our school's dream to reality!



COMMUNITY PAGES

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS
FOR THEIR GENEROUS RAFFLE DONATIONS 😊



Thank You

Waterside Theatre

Kumon

S2 Dance

Nails by Lucy

Easily Does It

Sophie Bruce-Watt Photography

Roald Dahl Museum

Happi Sauna

R&L Glow

Mowchak

Cut & Shave

Puffin Cove

Splash Sensory Ltd

Notcutts Booker

Pet Paddock

Java Whiskers

Fox at Ibstone

Pizzeria Lira

Bonners & Babingtons

Laceys Farm

Chinnor and Princes Risborough Railway

FRIENDS



PTA



20% OFF!
When you book before 24th November

PREMIER HOLIDAY CLUBS

MON 22ND, TUES 23RD DECEMBER & FRI 2ND JANUARY

Book today
premier-education.com



YOUR NEAREST HOLIDAY CLUB

LITTLE CHALFONT PRIMARY, AMERSHAM, HP6 6SX	MANOR FARM JUNIOR, HAZLEMERE, HP15 7PH	THOMAS HARDING JUNIOR, CHESHAM, HP5 1LR	TRING SPORTS CENTRE, TRING, HP23 5JU
TIMES: 9:00 - 3:30pm	TIMES: 9:00 - 3:30pm 8:30 - 5:30pm	TIMES: 9:00 - 3:30pm 8:30 - 5:30pm	TIMES: 9:00 - 3:30pm 8:30 - 5:30pm
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WE ACCEPT CHILDCARE VOUCHERS!



From £35.10
£28.08
before 24th November

Our Holiday Clubs keep children active, safe, and entertained throughout the school holidays.

Join us this Winter as we offer a wide range of fun activities, including sports, performing arts, and games, all at great value. There's something for every child to enjoy as they start 2026!

Book now for a holiday full of excitement!



CLUBS ARE BETTER WITH FRIENDS!



TREAT YOUR FRIENDS TO 20% OFF...AND GET 20% OFF TOO!

*T&Cs Apply. Refer a Friend discount on new bookings only.



SPRINGBUCKS GYMNASTICS CLUB

FUN & GAMES - PARACHUTE - CHRISTMAS CRAFTS - LEGO

Need some Christmas shopping time without the kids? TRY OUR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS!



**Hazlemere Youth Centre
Rose Ave, HP15 7UB**

**Court Garden Leisure Centre
Marlow, SL7 2AE**

Monday 22nd Dec 2025

Tuesday 23rd Dec 2025

OPEN TO CHILDREN OF ALL ABILITIES & EXPERIENCE AGES 3 - 12 YEARS



**Times - Mornings 9 - 12 (£18)
Lunch Club 12 - 1pm (£4)
Afternoons 1 - 4pm (£18)
Full Day 9am - 4pm (£40)**



**BOOK IN TODAY @
www.springbucks.co.uk**





Santa's coming!

CLUBHOUSE CHRISTMAS GIFTS APPEAL
Collecting small gifts for children in local hospitals this Christmas

Saturday 6 December
10.00 - 11.30*

Bring your gift & get some Santa selfies
£5 per slot - limited tickets (only 30 available)

WhatsApp to book - 07852 464969



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FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS
TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → **01296 383582** OR SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the [course code link](#) below

RECEPTION -YEAR 6



ADHD Tips to support your child at home (2 hours)

Wed 14th Jan
9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMAC135



AUTISM Tips to support your child at home (2 hours)

Mon 19th Jan
7pm - 9pm

Course code:
FMAC134



RECEPTION



PHONICS & READING
Support your child with Phonics and Reading (5 weeks)

• Mon 12th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
• Tue 13th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
• Thur 15th Jan - Thur 12th Feb

← Choose from 1 of these 3 dates

9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMPR063



YEARS 1 & 2



PHONICS & READING Support your child with Phonics and Reading (6 weeks)

Mon 5th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMPR064



Wed 7th Jan - Wed 11th Feb
9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMPR064



MATHS
Support your child's understanding of Shape, Data & Measure (6 weeks)

Tue 6th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMMS047



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YEARS 3 & 4



READING & COMPREHENSION
Support your child with Reading and comprehension (6 weeks)

Mon 5th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMRC059



MATHS
Support your child's understanding of Shape, Data & Measure (6 weeks)

Wed 7th Jan - Wed 11th Feb
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMMS088



YEARS 5 & 6



READING COURSE
Creative ways to engage children in reading and making sense of text (6 weeks)

Tue 6th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
Thurs 8th Jan - Thurs 12th Feb
← Choose from 1 of these 2 dates
6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMRC091



YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6



WELLBEING
Help your child to stay safe when playing games, doing homework or meeting friends online (4 weeks)

Tue 13th Jan - Tue 3rd Feb
12:30pm - 2:30pm

Course code:
FMWB090



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FMPR063



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Course code:
FMPR064



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9:30am - 11:30am

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9:30am - 11:30am

Course code:
FMMS047



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Crib Festival 2025

Holy Trinity
Lane End
HP14 3HD



Thursday 11th Dec
4pm ~ 7pm

Friday 12th Dec
4pm ~ 7pm

Saturday 13th Dec
2pm ~ 8pm

Sunday 14th Dec
10am Jump for Joy
Crib Family Service
4pm Carol Service

11am ~ 3.30pm
5pm ~ 7pm

**Other times by
appointment**



Always set out different every year!