

STOKENCHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

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



STOKENCHURCH STAR



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

RESILIENT



A KING IS BORN!

THIS WEEK:
 F2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
 CHRISTMAS PANTO
 DRESS REHEARSALS
 WADDESDON MANOR
 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
 AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER
 Solar Panels
 produced = 89.72MWh
 CO₂ saved = 50.96t

GOLDEN RULES

- READY
- RESPECTFUL
- SAFE

😊 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 😊

ATTENDANCE	Cherry - 97.4%		Elder - 96.6%		Hazel - 95.8%	
GOLDEN FOLDER	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	66	91	95	96	114	136
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD			Pear			
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:

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Together, we can make waves and build something amazing!

#SwimForAll #CommunitySupport #ThankYou #MakeADifference #Fundraiser #TogetherWeCan



A KING IS BORN

On Thursday, Reception performed their own very special version of 'A King Is Born' to a hall packed full of friends and family. The stage was set beautifully and as the children took their places we knew we were in for a treat. The children did an amazing job. Thank you to Miss Foster, Ms. Scales and the whole Reception team for putting it all together – the children did you proud! It was lovely to hear so many positive comments afterwards too and I know everyone in attendance



enjoyed it thoroughly. Thanks too to Mrs. Noke for organising the raffle which raised an impressive £100 to go towards their Christmas party! 😊

Y4 TRIP TO WADDESDON MANOR

Last Friday our Y4 children took a trip to Waddesdon to view their 'Sound of the Seasons' display and spot their bench that they had worked on earlier in the term. They had a magical time and toured the house, looking at and discussing the different paintings before being challenged to write stories about some of them creatively. The children behaved impeccably



throughout the visit and were a real credit to the school. Thank you to Miss Blandford and the Y4 team for arranging the visit and also to the parents who accompanied the children (they behaved beautifully too!). We are able to bring our bench back to school when the display is finished so I look forward to taking a closer look myself when we have it. 😊



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POLITE REMINDER

OUR SCHOOL DAY STARTS AT:

08.45am

Even if you are only **5 minutes late**, it means your child may:

- Miss the register
- Miss the start of the day
- Miss what is happening today
- Miss the lunch register
- Miss something important
- Disturb the learning of others
- Miss part of their own learning
- Stop the teacher from teaching
- Interrupt the ladies in the school office
- Be embarrassed at walking in late
- Have to walk into an assembly in front of the whole school
- Feel anxious and different to everyone else



NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

If, like me, you are already thinking about the list of things you would like to be a little better at in the new year, how about making sure your child's belongings have their name in them and you are sure that they are at school and ready to learn on time every day? Registration opens daily at 0845 and it is really important to ensure they are in class, with their friends, and 'ready to go'. Named items can be returned easily, saving you stress and money so pop a sharpie on your Christmas list and get naming! Thank you for your support 😊

READY RESPECTFUL SAFE RESILIENT CURIOUS CONFIDENT INDEPENDENT SUCCESSFUL

'TIS THE SEASON TO LOVE PANTO...

This year we enjoyed a special pantomime performance of 'Beauty and the Beast' from Mance Productions (Oh Yes We Did!) The performance was fast-paced, entertaining, funny and full of jokes, drama and joy. The children were brilliant as an audience and the team who performed commented to a number of staff afterwards on the excellent conduct of the children. They said that our school had the best children that they had performed to this season so far and I was immensely proud to hear it!

Thank you to the PTA and Mrs Springett for making the opportunity such a wonderful



experience for the children – they really enjoyed getting into the Christmas spirit and the looks on their faces told the story of the show. Well done children! 😊




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

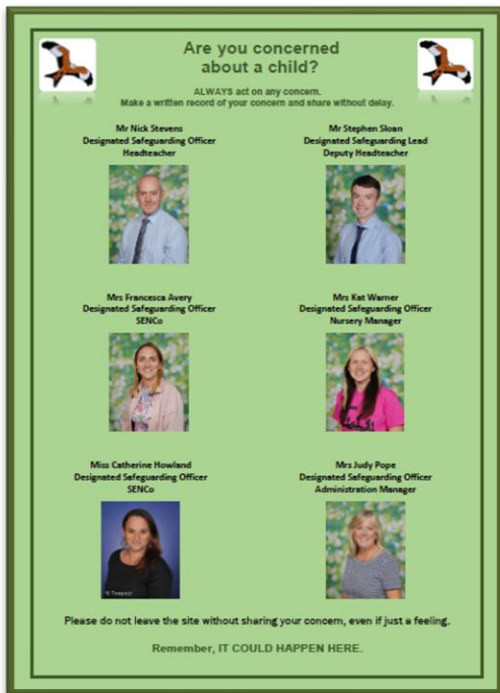


beforehand. These resources are used purposefully to support specific learning needs, and introducing them without prior agreement can sometimes cause distractions or difficulties within the classroom. If you feel your child may benefit from additional support or equipment, please speak to the class teacher, who will be happy to discuss this with you. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

<p>AMAZON WISHLIST</p>	<p>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</p>	
<p>SAFE ROUTE IN & OUT OF SCHOOL</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>TESCO GRANTS</p>	<p>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 😊</p>	

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 concerns 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 Howland, 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

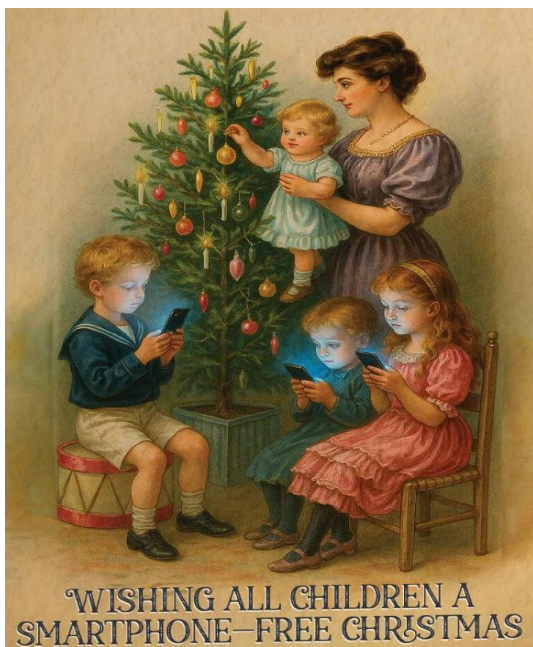
Following last week's feature on the [Smartphone Free Childhood](#) campaign,

we're sharing two new campaign images that highlight the same important message: it's easy for



children to miss real moments when a screen gets in the way. These latest visuals continue to encourage families to delay giving smartphones to primary-aged children – a message that aligns with our own

phased smartphone ban for Year 5 from September. We hope these additional images help prompt thoughtful conversations at home about attention, wellbeing and healthy digital habits.



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.

DECEMBER 2025			
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	
JANUARY 2026			
Mon 5 th	INSET - Teacher Training Day		
Tues 6 th	ALL Children Return to School	ALL	
Letter available / to follow	Please join us if you can 😊	Please note change of date	



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!

Stokie's Big Splash!

Help Us Meet Our Goal



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

Bonnors & Babingtons

Laceys Farm

Chinnor and Princes Risborough Railway

FRIENDS





20% OFF!
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PREMIER HOLIDAY CLUBS

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

Book today
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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
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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!

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★ Trustpilot



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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

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

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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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

9:30am - 11:30am

Course code: **FMMP063**



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: **FMSQ047**



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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

Monday 22nd Dec 2025

Court Garden Leisure Centre
Marlow, SL7 2AE

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)



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RECEPTION
-YEAR 6



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FMAC135



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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



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6:30pm - 8:30pm

Course code:
FMPR064



Wed 7th Jan - Wed 11th Feb

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FMPR064



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FMS047



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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!