

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:

CURIOUS

THIS WEEK:

- Y4 BISCUIT TASTING
- Y5 YOGA SESSIONS
- SAFEGUARDING SLOT
- PREMIER EDUCATION ASSEMBLY
- NEW TUCK SHOP
- DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
- AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER

Solar Panels
produced = 89.94 MWh
CO₂ saved = 51.08t

GOLDEN RULES

READY

RESPECTFUL

SAFE



😊 Y5 ENJOYED A YOGA SESSION THIS WEEK! 😊

😊 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 😊

ATTENDANCE	Beech 99.4%		Holly 99%		Cherry 98.9%	
GOLDEN FOLDER	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	84	134	106	117	156	140
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD			Acorns			
THIS WEEK'S SCHOOL COMPOSER (Music we are listening to in class and assembly)			CURIOUS QUESTION (Something to talk & think about as a family)			
AMBIENT STUDY MUSIC			What is your favourite quality in yourself / someone else?			



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

PARKING

We would like to remind families of the importance of considerate parking at school drop-off times. This week, Little Flyers were walking a group of children to school they were forced to leave the pavement due to a badly parked car. As they navigated around the vehicle, one of our youngest children fell and was left covered in mud. Thankfully he was not seriously hurt, but this could easily have been avoided. Please help keep all children safe by parking legally and keeping pavements clear at all times.



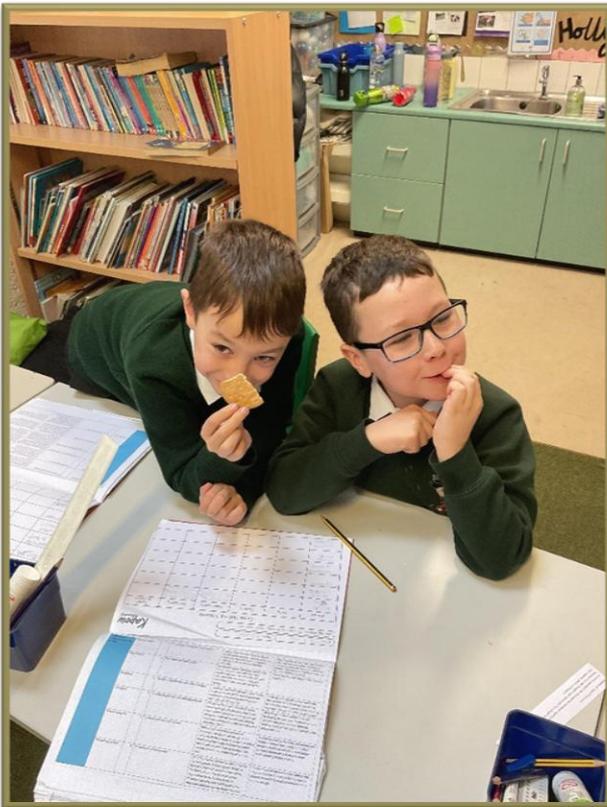
YOGA SESSIONS

I really enjoyed popping into one of our PE sessions this week to see Y5 in full-on Downward Dog mode! They were really engaged in the session lead by Miss Hinsley, one of our LSAs, and a qualified Yoga instructor. Well done children, thank you Miss Hinsley and I look forward to arranging a session for the staff soon too!

PREMIER EDUCATION ASSEMBLY

Martin from Premier Education visited on Thursday this week to tell the children all about the exciting holiday activities we are hosting here at **STOKENCHURCH** on the Wednesday and Thursday of half term week. The two action packed days will be full of sporting, crafting and teamwork activities and hopefully your child has brought home one of the leaflets giving all of the information Please look out for it in the bottom of your child's bag to ensure you don't miss out on the opportunity!





Y4 BISCUIT TASTING

In DT this week, Y4 have had the challenge of comparing different products critically. What did they choose? BISCUITS! They tested, tasted, crunched, munched, ruminated, discussed and recorded before identifying their personal favourites. For me, it's Rich Tea all the way. How about you? Well done Y4 and thank

you for sharing Miss Blandford!



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	
AFTER SCHOOL TUCK SHOP	After school on the last Friday of every month, starting Friday 30 th January. Location: School Flag Pole Available: Snack & Treats 50p/£1 cash preferable Please support 'STOKIE'S BIG SPLASH CAMPAIGN'	
INSTALLATION OF NEW WATER HEATER	A new water heater will be installed in school from 11th–13th February . During this time, there will unfortunately be no hot water available while the work is being carried out. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your understanding as we complete this essential improvement. School will remain open and measures are in place for the areas of most urgent need.	
WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL	A few of our children suffer from anaphylaxis—a severe and potentially life-threatening allergic reaction to nuts. Even a small trace of nut oil or touching a surface where nuts have been handled can trigger a serious reaction for these children. Please DO NOT send your children in to school with peanut butter, hazelnut spread, Nutella, granola/muesli bar, loose nuts & pesto	

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.

<p style="font-size: x-small;">Mr Nick Stevens Designated Safeguarding Officer Headteacher</p> 	<p style="font-size: x-small;">Mr Stephen Sloan Designated Safeguarding Lead Deputy Headteacher</p> 
<p style="font-size: x-small;">Mrs Francesca Avery Designated Safeguarding Officer SENCo</p> 	<p style="font-size: x-small;">Mrs Kat Warner Designated Safeguarding Officer Nursery Manager</p> 
<p style="font-size: x-small;">Miss Catherine Howland Designated Safeguarding Officer SENCo</p> 	<p style="font-size: x-small;">Mrs Judy Pope Designated Safeguarding Officer Administration Manager</p> 

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. We have a dedicated email address solely for any concerns of this nature so that you can get in touch directly to our DSL team confidentially if needed. Please contact via
safeguarding@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk



SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD

I recently attended a morning conference at St Michael's School in High Wycombe, hosted by MP Emma Reynolds, to share the journey **STOKENCHURCH** has been on towards our mobile phone policy being introduced from next

September. It was an interesting morning attended by lots of Buckinghamshire headteachers and I was accompanied by Hazel Hanley and Mrs Whelan. It's nice to hear that we are considered as

'trailblazers' in this area of online safety and your support in helping us to make difficult but positive decisions to help our children is appreciated.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

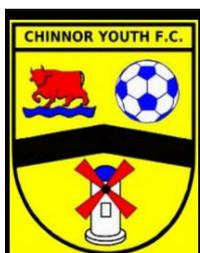
The dates below are for the next month or so.
For a full list please see (and link to) our calendar on the school website.

JANUARY 2026		
Fri 30 th	Beech Class Assembly @ 9.00	Y1
FEBRUARY 2026		
Tue 3 rd	Reception Stay & Share, 2.00 – 3.00	F2
Fri 6 th	Elm Class Assembly @ 9.00	Y3
Mon 9 th	Y1 History Day – Toys	Y1
	Y6 History Day – 1940's	Y6
Tues 10 th	Y3 History Day – Ancient Egyptians	Y3
	Nursery Stay & Play, 10.15 & 14.15	F1
Wed 11 th	Y5 History Day – Tudor's	Y5
Thur 12 th	Y4 History Day – Roman's	Y4
Fri 13 th	Y2 History Day – The Great Fire of London	Y2
	Break up for Half Term @ normal finish time	All
Mon 23 rd	Back to School	All
Fri 27 th	Hazel Class Assembly	Y4
MARCH 2026		
Wed 4 th	Reception Bedtime Read 4.00-5.00	F2
Thur 5 th	World Book Day	All
Fri 6 th	Elder Class Assembly	Y3
Wed 18 th	PTA School Disco	All

Letter available / to follow

Please join us if you can 😊

Please note change of date



Training:
Thursdays 6-7.15pm
Whites Field, Chinnor,
OX39 4RF

Winter Training:
Thursdays 6-7pm
Venue: Thame Football
Partnership
Thame OX9 3RN

Matches:
Sunday mornings
Home Venue:
Whites Field & Chinnor
Pavilion

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Please contact Adrian to find out more details



Contact: Adrian Milne • am.cyfc@gmail.com • 07725 703 351





BIG SPLASH UPDATE!

You can donate to our swimming pool project here:

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

Together, we can make waves and build something amazing!

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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



Join us at the after-school tuck shop on the last Friday of every month by the flagpole at the front of the school.

Enjoy a range of snacks for 50p or £1.

We accept cash and card, but cash is preferred.

Support the Stokie's Big Splash Campaign and treat yourself!

Helpers welcomed! Message 07841405781 if you'd like to help on the stall.

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COMMUNITY PAGES



Buckinghamshire Family Learning

FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS of children in YEARS 5 & 6

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH READING & COMPREHENSION
 Course code: [FMRC091](#)

This course will give you practical ideas and free resources to build strong reading habits, boost your child's understanding of what they read and help build confidence for tests!

Thursday 15th January - Thursday 12th February

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Online

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → 01296 383582 - Enrolment team or SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the course code link

FOR MORE INFORMATION → 07814 305345 - Lou

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FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS of children in RECEPTION

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH PHONICS & READING
 Course code: [FMPR063](#)

Practical ways to boost your child's phonics skills and early reading through fun, child-friendly activities. You'll learn how phonics is taught and why it builds confidence and reading ability.

• 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

Online

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → 01296 383582 - Enrolment team or SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the course code link

FOR MORE INFORMATION → 07770 641997 - Kathryn

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**FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS
of children in YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6**

**HAPPY, HEALTHY AND SAFE
ONLINE-TIPS TO HELP YOUR CHILD**

Course code: FMWB090

Help keep your child happy, healthy, and safe online - whether they're gaming, doing homework, or connecting with friends through activities. Learn how to start conversations and access key information to support them.



Tuesday 13th January - Tuesday 3rd February



12:30pm - 2:30pm



Online



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01296 383582 - Enrolment team
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**FREE ONLINE SCHOOL COURSE for PARENTS and CARERS
of children in YEARS 1 & 2**

**SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH
PHONICS & READING**

Course code: FMPR064



Join our course for practical, fun ideas to boost your child's phonics(sound) knowledge, strengthen reading and spelling skills, and build confidence for the Phonics Screening Check



Monday 5th January - Monday 9th February



6:30pm - 8:30pm



Online



Wednesday 7th January - Wednesday 11th February



9:30am - 11:30am



Online



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07710 145234 - Nina



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St. Peter & St. Paul
Stokenchurch



Thought you had missed a
Christingle. Come and enjoy the fun

on **Candlemas**

Sunday 1st February

5pm

