



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

## CONFIDENT

### THIS WEEK:

SCHOOL DISCO  
CHESTNUT CLASS ASSEMBLY  
LSA VACANCY  
NETBALL UPDATE  
RED NOSE DAY 2026  
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY  
AND MUCH MORE...



### ECO TICKER


Solar Panels  
produced = 90.49 MWh  
CO<sub>2</sub> saved = 51.40t

### GOLDEN RULES

READY  
RESPECTFUL  
SAFE

Y5 STEM WORKSHOPS WERE A HIT THIS WEEK 😊

### 😊 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 😊

ATTENDANCE	Prunus - 100%		Beech - 97.7%		Lime - 97.4%	
GOLDEN FOLDER	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	100	154	181	160	206	175
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD			Ash			
THIS TERM'S SCHOOL COMPOSER (Music we are listening to in class and assembly)			CURIOUS QUESTION (Something to talk & think about as a family)			
 <a href="#">THE PIANO GUYS</a>			Why do you think the sky changes colour at sunset?			



# FROM THE HEAD'S CHAIR



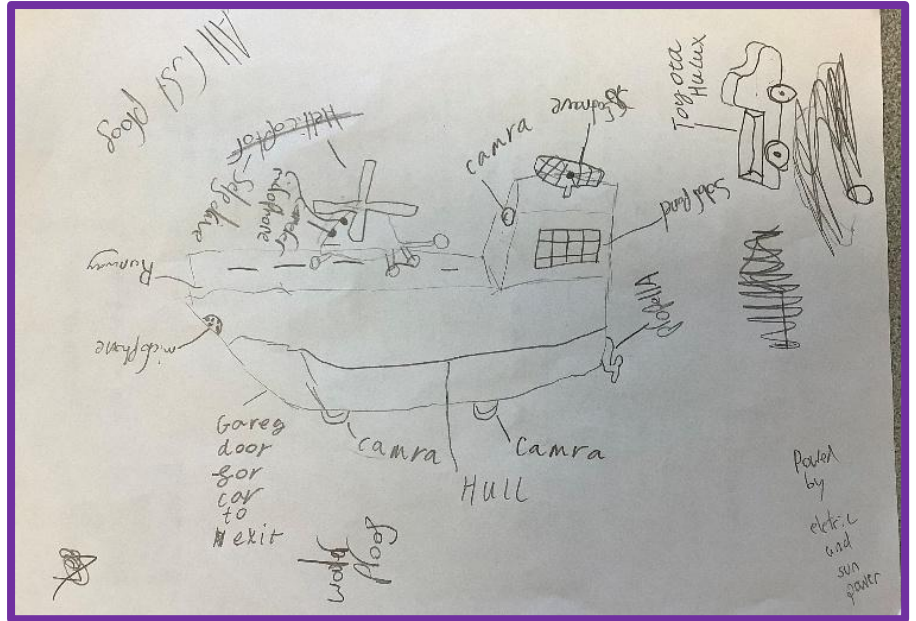
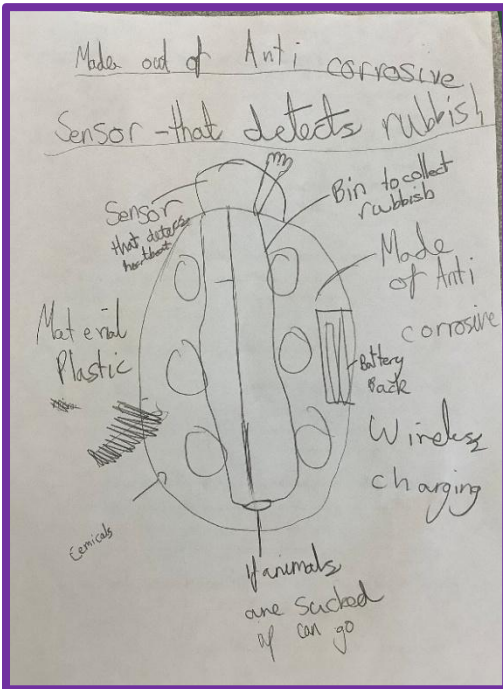
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## STEM WORKSHOP



Our Year 5 children recently dived into the world of STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics – exploring eight different career paths including roles as programmers, data analysts, environmental scientists, and mechanical engineers. Working in teams, each group tackled a unique brief to design innovative products, such as multi-functional devices capable of navigating terrain, recording multimedia, and handling small objects. The session wrapped up with energetic presentations as students pitched their technical solutions and creative designs back to the class. We are incredibly grateful to Mr Fraser from EKO for delivering this inspiring, free workshop and helping our pupils see the real-world impact of STEM careers!

### RED NOSE DAY 2026

We had a blast celebrating Red Nose Day by ditching our uniforms for our favourite pyjamas! The school was a sea of slippers and dressing gowns as the children enjoyed lining up to the motto "be funny to raise money."



Our "60 Seconds of Silly" talent show was a riot, with many of our children being brave and keeping us in stitches through lightning-fast jokes and goofy stunts. A huge thank you for your generous contributions; thanks to your support, we raised a fantastic total of **£251.85** for Comic Relief while looking like we'd all just rolled out of bed!

### ASH WINNERS



### ACORNS WINNERS



### BIRCH WINNER



### SCHOOL DISCO

On Wednesday evening the children had a great time as they enjoyed the PTA Spring Discos. 250+ children danced, sang, screamed, had fun with friends, ate biscuits, drank squash and left pink-cheeked having enjoyed a brilliant bop. Huge thanks to the PTA and especially DJ Adam for making the event so successful and so much fun 😊



### Y3 BIKEABILITY

Our Y3 children got on two wheels this week as they ventured out during their Bikeability training. We had some really positive feedback from our two instructors who commented on the children's excellent conduct and great confidence. Well-done Y3 – I look forward to presenting your awards in assembly. 😊



### NETBALL MATCH v FRIETH

On Thursday afternoon, our netball team travelled to Frieth for another away match in the busy schedule. They played well and continue to improve, but against a strong team they fell just short losing 11-4. Thank you to Mrs Peake and the parents for taking and supporting the girls!

Team: Rozii, Scarlett K, Ariana, Maariya, Izzy H, Mayalisse, Poppy



### MORE EXCITING NETBALL NEWS

On **Saturday 14th March**, the netball team attended a tournament at Kingsmead Netball Centre. The games came thick and fast against tough opposition, most of which were mixed teams. The girls showed brilliant play, excellent teamwork and were rewarded with a silver medal which was celebrated in assembly on Monday. Mrs Peake was very proud of them all. Big thanks to all the parents who came and supported the girls.

Well done to: Maariya, Rozii, Mayalisse, Izzy, Poppy, Scarlett, Ariana & Alayna

### THANK YOU!

The staff had a wonderful surprise on Thursday thanks to the incredible kindness of **Ms. Malik, Miss. Riaz, and Ms. Iman**. To celebrate Eid, they provided a full pizza spread and a gorgeous cake for the team to enjoy. Thank you for your amazing generosity and for brightening our week with such a lovely celebration!



We say a sad farewell to our Oxford Brookes students: **Miss Aslam, Miss Cook,**

**and Miss Fowler**. Over the past two terms, they have become integral members of our team and a true asset to our pupils' learning. While we will miss their energy and dedication, we are incredibly proud to see them embark on their professional teaching careers. We wish them every success for the future.






### CHESTNUT CLASS ASSEMBLY

On Friday morning, Chestnut class delivered their class assembly all about this term's school value, being **CONFIDENT**. They have been reading the book 'The Barnabus Project' by Devin and Terry Fan, a story about following your dreams and finding where you truly belong. The children shared examples of how they tried their best and brought it together with a

version of 'Hall of Fame' by the script. They were really brilliant and I would like to thank Mrs Elliott and the Y2 Team for putting it all together...which such confidence! 😊



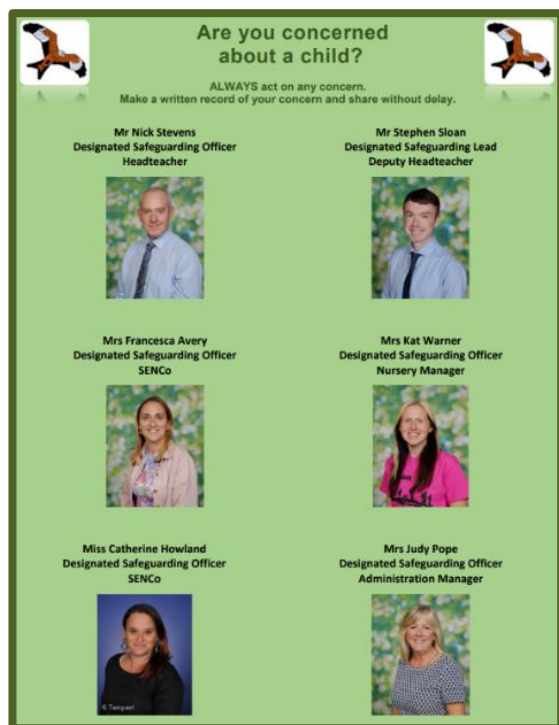
# IMPORTANT MESSAGES

<p><b>AMAZON WISHLIST</b></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: <a href="https://amzn.eu/aw5up8c">https://amzn.eu/aw5up8c</a></p>	
<p><b>DONATION REQUEST</b></p>	<p>We are in need of items to support our DT topics. If you have any mixing bowls, baking sheets, weighing scales that you are happy to donate to us, please bring them into the school office. Thank you!</p>	
<p><b>COLLECTION MESSAGES</b></p>	<p>If you need to inform us of a different adult collecting your child at the end of the school day, please do this by emailing <a href="mailto:office@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk">office@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk</a> Thank you!</p>	
	<p>Please can you help the PTA? Volunteers needed please! 😊 Interested? Please e-mail <a href="mailto:stokenchurchptaxmasfair@gmail.com">stokenchurchptaxmasfair@gmail.com</a> for further information.</p>	

## SAFEGUARDING: IT'S EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

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

### SMARTPHONE POLICY UPDATE



**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 Howland**  
Designated Safeguarding Officer  
SENCo

**Mrs Judy Pope**  
Designated Safeguarding Officer  
Administration Manager

Following [the letter](#) shared a few days ago, we would like to remind everyone about our new policy regarding mobile phones which will come into effect this September. We believe that children at primary school do not need a phone at all, as we want to help them enjoy a childhood free from the pressures of social media and the internet. If you feel your child truly needs a phone for safety during their commute in Year 5 or 6, please follow the guidance about suitable phones. You can find more information and



**SMARTPHONE FREE CHILDHOOD**  
**Schools Network**

support regarding this movement on the [Smartphone Free Childhood](#) website. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us prioritise our pupils' wellbeing and digital safety.

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](mailto:safeguarding@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk)

# DATES FOR 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.

MARCH 2026			
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent Consultation Evening 5.00 - 8.00	ALL	
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultation Evening 3.45 - 6.45	ALL	
	Stokie's BIG Splash Tuck Shop 3.15pm	ALL	
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	End of Spring Term, MUFTI. School Finishes @ 1.00	ALL	
APRIL 2026			
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	No School – Teacher Training Day		
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	Back to School	ALL	
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Living Rainforest School Trip	Y4	
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 Class Assembly - LIME	Y5	
Letter available / to follow		Please join us if you can ☺	Please note change of date

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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!



### AUCTION PRIZE

Y2 Lenny's Parents won the Wycombe Wanderers Mascot prize via the Stokie Splash raffle.

Lenny attended the Wycombe v Luton game last weekend, and although they lost, Lenny had an absolute blast! He met the team, held a trophy and even got

to try on the captain's armband. To top it off he got to walk out with his favourite player no. 21! Thank you so much for the chance to win such a fabulous prize!



### 10X CHALLENGE

Thank you to Violet and Aoife for their generous donation of £50 to Stokie's Big Splash from the profit of their 10X challenge. Thank you to everyone who supported them!

### VIDEOGRAPHER IN SCHOOL!

We recently had a videographer in school filming promotional material for **STOKIE'S BIG SPLASH**. We are really excited to share the final video with you once it is ready! Thank you to Ducks 2 Water for arranging this. 😊

# JOB VACANCY

## Stokenchurch Primary School & Nursery SEN 1:1 Learning Support Assistant

Required Immediately  
FULL TIME, TERM TIME. Permanent  
Monday to Friday: 8.45am – 3.30pm

We are seeking an empathetic, patient, enthusiastic and committed individual to join our school team as a SEN 1:1 Learning Support Assistant. Your role will be pivotal in providing essential support to our children, helping them achieve their full potential academically, socially, and emotionally.

Please click on this link [Job Vacancy](#) for further information or contact the school office.



## Children's Easter Raffle

The children's Easter raffle will be held in the end of term assembly on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

Tickets will be on sale for the children from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 20p each.

***We are looking for donations with an Easter theme (chocolate eggs etc). Please bring any donations to school from now onwards.***



Thank you for your support  
PTA committee