

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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£67,463 so far!

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

INDEPENDENT



THIS WEEK:

ROYAL ALBERT HALL
BIRCH CLASS ASSEMBLY
HOME NETBALL MATCH
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
SCHOOL UNIFORM
SAY NO TO STRANGERS
AND MUCH MORE...

ECO TICKER

Solar Panels
produced = 91.59 MWh
CO₂ saved = 52.02t

GOLDEN RULES


READY

RESPECTFUL

SAFE

😊 ECHOES AT THE ALBERT HALL THIS WEEK 😊

😊 THINGS TO CELEBRATE 😊

ATTENDANCE	Holly 100%		Alder 99.3%		Chestnut 98.5%	
GOLDEN FOLDER	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	133	209	177	194	197	185
KITE'S KITCHEN AWARD			HOLLY AND HAZEL CLASS			
THIS TERM'S SCHOOL COMPOSER (Music we are listening to in class and assembly)			CURIOUS QUESTION (Something to talk & think about as a family)			
 Debussy			Do fish ever get thirsty?			



FROM THE HEAD'S CHAIR



You can donate to our swimming pool project here:

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ECHOS 11 AT THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL

On Monday I had the privilege of accompanying the school choir to the Royal Albert Hall for this year's Echoes 11 concert. 52 school from across Buckinghamshire came together to perform and with 1500 children altogether, the impact was both dramatic and impressive! We had lunch on the steps of the Albert Memorial before entering the Albert Hall for rehearsals and then the final concert. There was lots of walking and climbing stairs and it was a very long day for both the children and staff. They did a tremendous job and represented STOKENCHURCH with pride and as we





returned to school we were tired, but very happy with a job well done. The parents who came to hear the concert were overwhelmed and I would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Brand, Mrs Foster and Mrs Bowe for making it happen and coming along to chaperone the children. 😊

NETBALL MATCH vs DANESFIELD

It was a tough game against Danesfield on Thursday who were very strong but the girls didn't give up and showed great resilience. A couple of great goals from Alayna and Rozii and special congratulations to Mayalisse who was voted opposition player of the game. I'm very proud of all the girls. A huge thank you to all the parents and staff who came to cheer us on. It was great to have you there 😊

Thank you to Mrs Peake for arranging the match and well done to the girls - Rozii, Izzy H, Mayalisse, Poppy, Ariana, Maariya, Alayna and Scarlett K - for representing the school 😊



SATs LOW MEETING

😊 On Wednesday evening we welcomed around 65% of our Y6 parents to an important information session with two key themes: preparation for the upcoming KS2 end of Key Stage 2 assessment and the Y6 residential trip to the Isle of Wight. The session was informative, accessible and really useful and the parents who attended appreciated

the opportunity and left well-informed. The information that was shared is on the Y6 page of the school website for any parents who couldn't attend or any who would like to refer to it. Thank you to Mr Showan and Mrs Brand for leading the session



BIRCH CLASS ASSEMBLY

This morning we were treated to a special class assembly by Birch Class in Y1. All about the importance of instructions, it was delivered confidently and with some great humour! We learned about Bossy



verbs and enjoyed a fantastic song that drove home the message about the power of instructions. Well-done Birch Class and thank you to Mrs Peake and Mrs Brand – we are all very proud of you!

SCHOOL UNIFORM

I have noticed in recent weeks that a small minority of our children are not coming to school in the correct school uniform. We will be sending regular reminders but for your information and reference a school uniform list is available on our school website. Whilst we (of course) make reasonable adjustments for a very small number of children and where it is appropriate, the policy is consistent for the rest of our

children across the school and we expect them to wear it proudly and have the high standards of themselves that we all share. Thank you for your support.



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- Grey or black skirt or trousers
- White blouse or buttoned shirt (not polo shirt)
- School tie
- Green jumper or cardigan
- Grey, black or white socks
- Grey or black school shoes
- Optional green / white check cotton dress for summer
- Long hair tied back with a suitable plain-coloured band
- Hair bows in line with school colours.






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>



<p>DONATION REQUEST</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>COLLECTION MESSAGES</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 office@stokenchurchprimary.bucks.sch.uk Thank you!</p>	
<p>CABLES PLEASE!</p>	<p>Cable request please! Do you have any of the following spare cables lying around not being used (ideally 1m length)? If so, please can you send them in as we are in desperate need of the following cables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USB C to USB C (like the black picture) • USB A to lightning (like the white picture) <p>Thank you from Mrs Whelan 😊</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 concern and share without delay.

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

SMARTPHONE POLICY UPDATE

Link to information about our changing Mobile Phone Policy: [the letter](#)



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

STAYING SAFE ON JOURNEY HOME

With the busier and lighter afternoons, we want to ensure our students with walk-home passes enjoy a safe and fun journey. Here is a quick, friendly guide to share with your child.

The "S.A.F.E." Rules

- **S – Stay with a Buddy:** Walk with a friend or sibling. There's safety in numbers!
- **A – Awareness:** Keep heads up and ears open. Save the phones and headphones for when you get home so you can spot traffic and surroundings.
- **F – Follow the Path:** Stick to your agreed route. No shortcuts through woods or quiet alleys!
- **E – Exit the Situation:** If a 'stranger' approaches you, **don't stop**. Keep walking and tell a trusted adult (like a teacher or parent) immediately.



A Note on Strangers: Most people are kind, but we never go anywhere with someone new unless a parent has said it's okay beforehand.

Quick Tips for Parents

- **The "Password" Game:** Create a secret family password. If anyone else ever needs to pick up your child, they must know the word first.

- **Route Rehearsal:**

Walk the route together to point out "Safe Spots"—like a friend's house or a local shop—where they can go if they feel nervous.

- **Check-In:** Make sure your child knows exactly what time they are expected home.



Let's work together to keep our school community safe and happy!

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.

MAY 2026

Mon 4 th	Early May Bank Holiday – No School	ALL	
Tue 5 th	Y4 Trip to Eton College	Y4	
Wed 6 th	Y5 Parent Info Evening Willen Lake @1700pm	Y5	
Fri 8 th	National Bike & Roll to School Day	ALL	
W/c 11 th	Y6 SATS week	Y6	
Fri 15 th	F2 Assembly (Both Classes)	F2	
Fri 22 nd	PTA Mufti Day With A Difference!	ALL	
	End of Summer Term 1 – Normal Finish time	ALL	

JUNE 2026

Mon 1 st	Teacher Training Day – No School	ALL	
Tue 2 nd	Back to School	ALL	
Thur 11 th & Fri 12 th	Y5 to Willen Lake	Y5	
W/c 15 th	Y6 Residential Trip to the Isle Of Wight	Y6	
Wed 17 th	School Summer Disco	F2 -Y5	
Sat 20 th	School Summer Fete	ALL	

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!

STAFFING UPDATE

Finally this week I am writing to let you know that Mrs Elliott will be going for a knee op (fingers crossed) on 7th May. We wish her the very best of luck and a speedy recovery – we need you ready for the teacher's race on Sports Day! Whilst she is recovering post-op, Chestnut class will be ably lead by Miss Stewart and Miss Yousuf, both of whom are well known the school and our children already. Good luck Mrs Elliott and we send you our best wishes!



COMMUNITY PAGES

Friends of Stokenchurch Primary School



Summer Fete

Stokenchurch Primary School, George Road, Stokenchurch, HP14 3RN

Save the date!

Saturday 20th June

11 am till 2 pm

Crown competition
Baking competition
And more to be confirmed!

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On Facebook!

Raffle



Friends of Stokenchurch Primary School
Registered Charity Number: 1069736

EDUCATION
HENLEY

FREE TO ENTER - SCAN QR CODE TO BOOK
THEGREATSCHOOLRUN.ORG



IN AID OF
Ben & Duchenne

THE GREAT SCHOOL RUN OF HENLEY

17
MAY
26

AT STONOR PARK

SUNDAY 17 MAY • 9.30AM

CROSS COUNTRY RACES

FOR ALL LOCAL NURSERY AND
SCHOOL CHILDREN AGED 3-17
AND FOR THEIR GROWN-UPS
AND SCHOOL STAFF!



STONOR

FRIENDS
PTA

Summer Disco

Wednesday 17th June 2026

Years F2, 1 & 2 – 5pm-6.15pm
Years 3, 4 & 5 - 6.30-7.45pm

Includes drinks & snacks with a treat to take home!

£5 via parentpay or on the door



No Mobiles or ipods allowed



BLACK PANTHERS
JUNIOR NETBALL CLUB

STARTING TUESDAY 2ND JUNE
UNTIL TUESDAY 21ST JULY

TUESDAY

★ YR 3/4 4:00PM - 4:45PM	★ YR 5/6 5:00PM - 5:45PM
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STOKENCHURCH
COMMUNITY CENTRE

FOR MORE INFORMATION TEXT
07565419690