

Stone Church of England Combined Primary School

Newsletter

9th February 24

Headteachers' Message

Dear Parents,

It is wonderful to see the days gradually getting longer and lighter as we move towards the end of this half term.

As we finish this half term we want to reflect on the past few weeks and the exciting events and activities that have taken place such as Safer Internet Day, trips and wow days, our marketing photos as well as movie nights and hot dogs organised by our wonderful PTA.

We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated and hardworking staff, who consistently go above and beyond to ensure that your children have access to these fantastic opportunities. We would also like to extend our thanks to all the parents for your ongoing support, which plays an integral role in creating a positive and nurturing environment for our students.

We hope that you and your family have a wonderful half term and we look forward to welcoming your children back to school on Monday, 19th February.

Mrs S Hale and Mrs B Jones

Upcoming Dates

Monday 19th
February - School
restarts

Class 2 Forest School
starts this week

CLASS NEWS

CLASS 1

Class 1 had a great time this week doing their enterprise event – a sponsored gym-a-thon. They showed all of our stepping stone values and were exhausted and proud by the end.



CLASS 3

This week Year 3 went on an exciting trip to the Ashmolean museum in Oxford where they had a hands on experience with Egyptian artefacts.

In Art and design they have made their own ancient scrolls.





CHILD OF THE WEEK

Week Beginning: 29/01/24

Class R: Adam H for finding his voice and joining in well this week.
Class 1: Zara T for always being ready to learn.

Class 2: David P for making wonderful choices in everything he does.

Class 3: Noah R for his wonderful enthusiasm and for answering so many questions on our trip.

Class 4: Ava B for being a kind friend to all.

Class 5: Mayson B for working hard on his story writing in English.

Class 6: Kenuli W for working so hard with Mr Monson and improving her talking.

Week Beginning: 05/02/24

Class R: Zimal for sharing brilliant ideas to our literacy sessions.

Class 1: Zachary T for being a superstar reflector on his emotions.

Class 2: Lily for her beautiful artwork!

Class 3: Mannat for her excellent ideas in PSHE and being a kind member of the class.

Class 4: Sophia I for making all the right choices this week to be successful.

Class 5: Kanak for her fabulous work in geography this week!

Class 6: Imogen for always trying her best in Maths



STEPPING STONE TO SUCCESS

Week Beginning: 20/01/24

Perseverance: Hafsa B - Class R, for much improved focus and participation on the carpet this week.

Darcie P - Class 4, for perseverance in Maths this week.

Holly M - Class 6, for showing perseverance with all her activities in school and in the community.

Evelynne B - Class 1, for perseverance with our gym-a-thon.

Responsibility: Isaac J - Class 5, for taking a responsible approach to his writing in English.

Peyton B - Class 2, for tidying up the classroom.

Community: Samuel I - Class 3, for being a wonderful supportive member of our class.

Week Beginning: 05/02/24

Perseverance: Albie - Class 2, for perseverance in trying super hard in his reading booklet.

Jackson L - Class 1, for perseverance in all his assessments.

Zachary D - Class 3, for perseverance with his independent write.

Sandrine - Class 4, for perseverance and working hard to improve her writing.

Sophia C - Class 5, for showing perseverance when coming to school even when she's feeling a little worried.

Responsibility: Lacie-Ann V - Class R, for challenging herself to do more activities in the class
Princess E - Class 6, for always being kind and thinking about her community

KINDNESS AWARD



The following children were nominated for their acts of kindness this week. They all had hot chocolate with Mrs B Jones

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Class 1: Emi B for always being aware of her friends in school.

Class 2: Elsie B for being kind and joining the class so well.

Class 3: Emilia W for being there when a friend needed help.

Class 4: Dexter H for kindness to younger children this week on the playground and in assembly.

Class 5: Freya C-B for being so kind to a friend.

Class 6: Freddie H for always being nice when a classmate is not feeling good.

Week Beginning: 05/02/24

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Class 1: Cameron T for being a wonderful friend

Class 2: Jasmine for making Ava laugh

Class 3: Munesuishe for trying his best and giving such positive energy to all he does.

Class 4: Gabriel for being considerate to everybody, offering his support and friendship where he can.

Class 5: Kaiser-David for always saying "Have a good evening" at the end of everyday to Mrs Masters.

Class 6: Tilly Hughes for playing with a friend when they had no one to play with.

BIRTHDAYS

A very happy birthday to the following children who have had a birthday in the last two weeks:

Class R: no birthdays

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Class 4: Ayden K

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HEALTHY LIVING



Please see attachments

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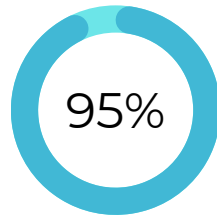
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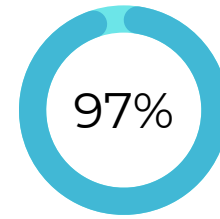
Attendance Matters ATTENDANCE



Last week



This week



HOUSEPOINTS

Please see below a picture of the tubes for house points and what level each house has achieved to date.



SPEECH COMPETITION

Last Friday the speech competition was held with each class putting forward the person they had chosen. Everyone did extremely well and the finalists were:

- Class R: Zimal K
- Class 1: Roman B
- Class 2: Anuki W
- Class 3: Jaxon S
- Class 4; Kimberley O
- Class 5: Jace M and Sophia H
- Class 6: Princess E

Congratulations to Zimal and Kimblerley who were the KS1 and KS2 winners!





READING RECOMMENDATION

This week's recommended read is 'Smile Out Loud: 25 Happy Poems' by Joseph Coelho.

This award-winning author has put together a poetry book for children to build confidence when reading aloud and cover important themes for children.

Filled with rhymes and riddles to bring happiness and giggles.

Happy Reading!



SKILLS FOR LIFE

Over the past fortnight, we have been learning about the unhelpful thinking habits of 'Shoulds and Musts' and 'Memories'.

Please see the attached stories which we used to teach the children about these.

Growth Mindset Music:

We have been listening to Bring It All Back by S Club 7.



SPOTLIGHT ON SAFEGUARDING

Tuesday 6th February was Safer Internet Day and all children took part in a range of activities in school to further develop their understanding of internet safety. In order to ensure our children stay safe online, we recommend parents refer to resources on the UK Safer Internet Centre website:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

Our Safeguarding Leads are:

- Sarah Hale and Bethan Jones- Co- Headteachers and Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Assunta Loxley - Business Manager and Additional Safeguarding Lead
- Rosie Seivwright - Deputy Headteacher and Additional Safeguarding Lead
- Talisha Craib - Pastoral Leader and Additional Safeguarding Lead



BULLYING AND BEHAVIOUR

We aim to establish and sustain high expectations of behaviour for all pupils, built upon relationships, rules and routines. We never tolerate bullying. Therefore, if you have any concerns that your child is being bullied, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance who will carry out a bullying investigation.

If, following the outcome of this, your child is still reporting concerns, please contact Mrs Seivwright who manages behaviour and discipline.



FOCUS ON INCLUSION

This week is Children's Mental Health week, and we began the week at school with an assembly focusing on this year's theme, which is My Voice Matters.

My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. Giving a child ways to express themselves can have a huge impact on their mental health and there are many great resources available to help you support your child with this at home. The website below is a great place to find tips, activities and videos:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

ENRICHMENT

Each half term, every child in year 1-6 selects an enrichment activity to take part in on Friday afternoons. We introduced this approach this academic year as we found that the uptake of after school and lunch time clubs was quite low and we wanted to make sure that all children have the opportunity to develop their talents and interests and reach their star.

Each half term, the children vote from a wide range of activities on offer to decide which three will be available that half term for Years 1, 2 and 3 and Years 4, 5 and 6. The children then put the three activities in preference order and this is taken into account when allocating their activities for that half term.

So far this year, the children have had the opportunity to take part in activities such as circus skills, coding, outdoor learning, art and design, comic books, music and board games. Here are some photos of the skills, talents and interests our children have been developing through their enrichment activities.

We have had really positive feedback from both children and staff since we introduced enrichment time and the children have been keen to share their skills and talents in half termly celebration assemblies.



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