

THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL

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Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES APRIL

Fri 31st March **END OF TERM**

Tues 11th/Wed 12th & Thurs 13th April Year 11 Easter Revision sessions.

Mon 17th **ALL STUDENTS RETURN**

Wed 19th Girls DofE training in Mrs Devlin's room

Thurs 20th Boys DofE training in Mrs Devlin's room



Senior Leadership Team message ...

As we approach Easter and the children have a well-deserved break, can I encourage you to please check your child's uniform and equipment at the start of the holidays. Doing this straight away will allow enough time to address any missing equipment or the replacement of any outgrown/broken uniform.

At the end of the term we were noticing a number of nonstandard uniform items creeping in. In particular can I highlight:

- Zip up hoodies may not be worn as a coat
- Boys' socks should be black and girls' socks should not be knee high
- The PE sweatshirt should not be worn outside of PE lessons
- A black V neck jumper may be worn underneath, but not instead of a blazer
- Shoes must not be trainers/ boots or canvas. Examples of suitable shoes can be found in the uniform policy.
- False Eyelashes and Nails are not permitted
- Facial piercings, including plastic retainers are not permitted.
- Skirts should be knee length

Our uniform expectations can be found in full on our website Uniform-Policy-2022_.pdf (stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk).

Staff and students are exceptionally proud to belong to the Stonehenge School, and it is important to us that we reflect this sense of pride in our uniform.

In terms of equipment, having the correct items for lessons will enable your son/daughter to get the most out of the learning day. Beyond the standard pencil case (pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, pencil sharpener) your child should also have maths equipment (calculator, protractor, compass) as well as a reading book. Not having the necessary equipment can lead to the disruption of the teaching and learning of an entire class so we would appreciate your support in providing your child with the necessary pieces.

A final point with the summer months and hopefully better weather fast approaching: please can you ensure that your child brings a bottle of water to school. We have recently installed brand new water filling stations in school and these have been well received by the students. We would like to remind parents that students should not be bringing the following drinks into school:

- Prime
- · Energy drinks
- Fizzy drinks Milkshakes

Students are able to fill up water bottles before school, at break time, at lunch time, and after school. We also have drinks for sale in our canteen.

May we use this opportunity to wish you all a restful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming you back to Stonehenge for the Summer term.

FIRE ALARM

Thank you for your support last Friday when the actions of one selfish individual lead to a loss of learning time, some cold and wet students, and potentially the loss of parents' earnings who needed to leave work to supervise younger children. This was not at all acceptable. The student responsible has been suspended, as was the student who maliciously set off the fire alarm earlier that week.

Due to three fire bells being set off in such a short space in time I would ask you to draw your child's attention to some follow up consequences below.



Thank you for your support in this matter it is very much appreciated.

- It is an offence under the Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 to Maliciously set off a fire alarm.
- The offence can lead to a fine under section 49 (a) of the Fire and Rescue Services Act.
- In the event of a malicious fire alarm the responsible student will be suspended.
- Furthermore, the school reserves the right to seek legal advice and prosecute should a fire alarm be proven to be set off maliciously
- Above all else it is important that you continue to treat every fire alarm as if there is a real fire.
- Malicious fire alarms undermine the integrity of fire procedures and could potential lead to deaths in the event of a real fire alarm going unheeded.

The next Stonehenge School production is...





Acting Auditions Wednesday 29th March The Cave

3pm-4:30pm All are welcome! Singing Auditions Thursday 30th March Music Room



STAFF VACANCIES

Due to the continuing growth of the school we have various vacancies available within teaching.

TEACHER OF TECHNOLOGY

Start Date: Easter 2023 or September 2023 Salary: MPS/UPS Closing Date: Monday 17th April 2023, 9am

PASTORAL MANAGER X 2

Start Date: As soon as possible Wiltshire Council pay grade G Point 12 - 14, (£12.93- £13.91 per hour) (actual annual salary £20,212 - £21,749) Monday - Friday 8.30am -4.00pm, 35 hours per week with a 30 minute unpaid lunch. 39 working weeks per year to include TD Days Monday - Friday 8.30am -4.00pm (30 minutes unpaid lunch) Contract: Permanent Closing Date: Monday 17h April 2023, 9.00am

TEACHER OF ENGLISH

Start Date: September 2023 Salary: MPS/UPS Closing Date: Monday 17th April 2023, 9am

TEACHER OF SCIENCE Start Date: September 2023 Salary: MPS/UPS Closing Date: Monday 17th April 2023, 9am

KEY STAGE 3 COORDINATOR OF SCIENCE

Start Date: September 2023 Salary: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2a (£2796) Closing Date: Monday 17th April 2023, 9am

Full details on all the above vacancies can be found on our website at https://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/vacancies/







FREE BREAKFASTS

We have been offering free hot chocolate and toast to students every morning to support the cost of living crisis. Unfortunately, this funding has now all been used, so free student breakfast will cease after Easter. Should further funding become available to support this again, we will let you know so that further support can be offered.



THE FOLLWOING STUDENTS HAVE BEEN COMMENDED FOR MAKING EXCELLENT CONTRIBUTIONS TO LESSONS.

Eve Winters, Daniel O'Connor, Cady-mcAvoy, Arabella Blackman, Darcy-Mae Neale, Rori Hannah,

Reyesh Gurung, Finnigan Nolan-Evans, Harley Randle, Morgen Safe, Siobhan Bennett

Cameron Malkinson, Paige Gibson, Tyler Voce, Logan Tansey, Bobbie Pitcher, Sophie Oneill,

Maggie Rees, Chloe Mitton, Scarlett Richardson, Josh Hodson

Nicholas Dodson, Joshua Parks, Lexi Atherton, Rob Doyle

Charlie Richardson, Dylan Smith, Jess Taylor

Molly Granfield, Jake Wakefield, Ellie Standen

Jacob Wilds, Lilia Salter, Brady Wright

BEDROCK EASTER PRIZES

1ST PRIZE- £10 AMAZON VOUCHER + CHOCOLATE + CERTIFICATE 2ND PRIZE- CHOCOLATE + CERTIFICATE 3RD PRIZE-CHOCOLATE+ CERTIFICATE 4TH -10TH PLACE- CERTIFICATE



MOST POINTS

YEAR 7 WINNING STUDENTS

1. NATHAN WHITE	467
2. JAYAN PATEL	429
3. MATTHEW KOVALE	NKO 409
4. ANNABELLA SPANG	ENBERG 408
5. PEYTON DEICHMAN	NN 352
6.GORDON LAM	318
7. BLAKELY BAGLEY	249
8. OAKLEY BELL	249
9.TAYFUN DYER	234
10. JACK STAPLETON	226

MOST PROGRESS

1. COREY CLARK	600%
2. MACY TONKS	250%
3. MASON NICHOLSO	N 220%
4. BLAKELY BAGLEY	218%
5. THOMAS PROUDFOOT-FLEARY 208%	
6. BARNEY RAFFLE	130%
7. JAMES BAGLEY	112%
8. FAITH LALLY	100%
9. HARRY WORRALL	95%
10. WILLIAM CLARK	90%

YEAR 8 WINNING STUDENTS

MOST POINTS

1. BROOKE MASON	918
2. JASMINE PERRY	792
3. KACPER PEKALA	639
DARYL FERNANDES	350
5. THOMASI BATIKAIKA	AI 338
6. TOM PEARSON	242
7. THEODORE HORDER	R 235
8. LEWIS HYDE-SMITH	209
9. CALEB PICKSTOCK	208
10. JOSHUA NAMATA	173

MOST PROGRESS

1. ALAN CHARLESWOR	TH 488%
2. SOPHIE GRAY-HOWE	ELL 427%
3. JASMINE PERRY	342%
4. IMOGEN KERR	277%
5. LOUIS FORAN	230%
6. ALEXANDER FOX	227%
7. JEREMIAH MUSUNA	MASI 227%
8. KACPER PEKALA	183%
9. INIGO BARRATT	174%
10. CALEB PICKSTOCK	170%

YEAR 9 WINNING STUDENTS

MOST POINTS

1. AARON HALL	612	2
2.LILLIA SALTER	46	51
3.BROOKE LEWIS	30)1
4. KENDRA CHURCH	2	65
5. MENDY BUTHELEZI	2	15
6. ELISE ROSS	147	
7. OLIVIA BERRY	142	
8. MILLIE WALKER	13	9
9. BENJAMIN CHAPMA	N	132
10. CHARLIE PEARSON		122

MOST PROGRESS

 1. ELIN JONES
 1660%

 2. ASHTON APPLEBY
 660%

 3. FRANKLIN PAWLAK
 226%

 4. ALLEN SARUWAKA
 173%

 5. ANASTASIA CLARK
 127%

 6. CAMRON DEAN
 114%

 7. HENRY SUI
 100%

 8. FATIMA JAITEH
 100%

 9. SAMUEL HALL
 92%

 10. TAMZIN LEVICK
 89%



GOING TO SIXTH FORM?

HOW WILL YOU TRAVEL?

Take a look on the website where you will find further details on how to go about claiming -

https://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/portals/student/year-11-information/

"LESSEY AND LOFTUS STAR AS WARRIORS BEAT WELLINGTON ACADEMY"

The Stonehenge School "Warriors" Basketball Team U16 Boys took on Wellington Academy U16 Boys at Amesbury Sports Centre on Wednesday 22nd March with about 90 Warriors supporters in fine voice. The team, sponsored by Stonehenge Plumbing and Heating, had pre-game intelligence that Wellington Academy were a strong team with height and flair. Our normal pre-game meeting on the 22nd March was dominated by us planning to create for our visitors a defensive "storm" by being really aggressive in defence and not allowing them to really get the ball.

As we started the game Warriors were also affected by having three of their starting five (Henry Sui, Joseph Flynn and Maks Kovalenko) unavailable to play. The quarter started at a very high tempo with an edgy atmosphere with the Warriors defending really well. Benek Loftus, our power forward at 6"7, blocked a few shots which sent the Warriors fans crazy. Joseph Vuki and Xavier Lessey got on the score sheet with Kane Mia Ria too scoring two out of two at the free throw line after being fouled on the shot. So, 6-5 at the end of the first quarter to the Warriors.

The second quarter saw Warriors turning the screw defensively with steal after steal by players such as Jack Martin and Xavier Lessey. Xavier was a real menace to attacking players with his high-speed track backs and lightning hands. Wellington did fight back pushed the Warriors at times scoring some nice team baskets. In terms of scoring it was good to see Benek Loftus, Josh Mensah, Xavier Lessey and Gabriel Potts on the score sheet to make it 16-13 at half time to the Warriors.

In the third quarter the Warriors blew away the visitors with a stunning defensive and offensive effort plus outstanding baskets from Kane Mia Ria and Joseph Vuki. Jack Martin then hit a massive 3 pointer to send the Warriors fans delirious. The Warriors won the 3rd quarter 11-4 which was amazing.

The fourth quarter for our team has always been problematic and before we started Coach Carter reminded the players of why defence is important every minute of the game and making sure we play as a team. The fourth quarter was scrappy with Wellington Academy defending well and attacking with intent but failing to capitalise. However, the Warriors dug deep and although we lost the third quarter 5-6 it was great to see many of the bench players defending well and working on some nice team baskets.

At the whistle Warriors won 32-23. A great team performance and even with three key players missing we pulled together and played excellent team basketball. MVP Awards: Benek Loftus and Xavier Lessey



YEAR 7 & 8 GIRLS TOUCH RUGBY TOURNAMENT

The Year 7 & 8 Girls Touch Rugby team attended a tournament at St John's Marlborough on 23/03/23.

The girls performed well under pressure against some brilliant teams from other schools and have qualified for the next stage of competition. They will be representing the Avon Valley Area at The School Games in July!

Well done girls!





In 3 weeks' time, Mrs Ward and I will be running the London marathon for the MS Society and the PSP Association respectively. These are charities that we both have personal connections to. As part of our fundraising for this we would like to run a raffle for staff here at school, many of whom live in the local area. We are kindly requesting donations towards this raffle, so if you're a local business and are able to offer a prize, big or small, please get in touch!

Thank you

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DOGS TRUST PARLIAMENT TRIP

The Dog's Trust is located on the A338, in Newton Tony. On the day that we visited the Dogs Trust had 63 dogs in their care and currently have a maximum capacity of 90 spaces, this ensures that each dog has their own space. If numbers exceed 90 then some dogs (that are compatible both in size and personality) can share a space, some dogs that might have slightly aggressive personality would not share a space with another dog. They care for dogs that have been abandoned or their owners simply cannot continue to care for them anymore, the dogs in their care can range from puppies to older dogs and any kind of breed.

The dog's living area consists of kennels that are carefully positioned so that they do not directly face each other and separated by a corridor that visitors and staff can walk down to access the kennels. The kennels are a decent size, and each kennel had a separate space for sleeping which consisted of a bed, crate and blankets and the staff ensure that the dogs are fed at regular intervals.

We were able to go to an enclosed outside area which is restricted access to the public, in this area there were some training rooms used for training the dogs individually, there was also a tower that overlooked the outside area that allowed people to watch from a distance. The outside area ensures that the dogs can have regular exercise and fresh air and they are also walked locally by the staff at the Dogs Trust. They also have an area for treating minor injuries and health problems that the dogs may have, anything major and they are treated off site at a local vet in Salisbury.

Once a potential owner has decided that they wish to adopt a dog, they must meet certain requirements depending on the dog they wish to adopt, for example some dogs are not safe to be rehomed with children or other animals and other checks are also carried out and a fee is paid.

The Dogs Trust rely mostly on donations of food, blankets, towels etc to keep the dogs in safe care. Without these donations the Dogs Trust would not be able to give the rescue dogs the care that they need.



FASTING



Fasting is important in RAMADAN so Muslims can devote themselves to Allah. Muslims don't eat or drink between dawn (FAJR) and sunset (MAGHRIB).

On Thursday 29th March four members of staff fasted for the day in support of our Islamic community. It was a real challenge and helped us to understand what our children face during this period of the year.

MUFTI DAY

Thank you to everyone who donated on Mufti day, we raised £1172.

This is to be split between comic relief (Red Nose Day) and the Turkish-Syrian emergency appeal.









SCIENCE CLUB

This week we will be protecting Humpty Dumpty from a big fall. It will be eggcellent if you can make it! When: Wednesday 19th April Where : Room 49

Time : 3.00- 4pm Please sign up outside room 49.















2023 SCIENCE WEEK DIORAMAS

They were a very high standard and there was a great variety of projects making it very difficult to choose. All pupils should have received their five positive points for taking part.

Categories

Pupil Vote : Toby Demaria SOUND WAVES HOUSES : Best in SARUM = Tayfurn Dryer - model of the brain out of felt Best in BARROW = Isabelle Gough - cake model of a volcano which 7G demolished Best in ARCHER = Keira Turner - project Pigeon Best in SOLSTICE = Paige Myall - Plant Cell Special Considerations - Jacob Mullins with his working windmill Nathan White with his working gun model

2nd PLACE OVERALL Runner-up LUCA TUCK with their amazing project on SNAILS

1ST PLACE OVERALL LUKE RYAN with his outstanding working model project on THUNDER AND LIGHTNING.

Happy Easter from the SCIENCE DEPARTMENT





Happy Holidays!

THE STAFF AND STUDENTS OF THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL WISH YOU A HAPPY EASTER

