

# THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL

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# Weekly Newsletter

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#### UPCOMING DATES JUNE

Wed 21st Girls DofE in Mrs Devlin's room

Thurs 22nd Boys DofE in Mrs Devlin's room

Mon 19th Trip to V & A Museum

Thurs 22nd Year 10 Trip to Swanage

Fri 23rd - Fri 30th June Year 10 Mock Exams

Mon 15th May - 28th June Summer exams series



Dear parents and carers,

#### Re: Change to the length of the school day

Following our consultation earlier in the year, and based on the limited number of responses we received during the consultation stage, the Governing body of The Stonehenge School have made the decision to change the school day from 1st September 2023.

They have therefore agreed to extend the school day from 1st September 2023. The timings of the school day with therefore be -

#### School will start at 8:30am and then finish at 3pm

These changes will be beneficial to the school community in a range of ways, and will have a positive effect on your child's education. Due to the rapid increase of the school we currently have two lunch times, of 30 minutes each, meaning that registration time in tutor groups is also 30 minutes long, causing lesson time to be cut throughout the day.

The change in the school day, combined with an increase in catering facilities and undercover eating areas will mean that we can move to staggering lunchtime slightly, and use the additional 15 minutes a day to extend breaks and lunch times for the pupils. The time gained will then be added back on to learning time so that all lessons move back to being exactly one hour long.

Mrs C A Dean



Thanks to everyone who took part in the 2023 TCS Mini London Marathon in schools.

Hundreds of schools signed up to be part of this amazing event and thousands of children across the UK did a run, a jog, a walk or a wheel to complete the one-mile distance. At The Stonehenge School we ran athletics distances across different PE lessons.

This year TCS Mini London Marathon set a special challenge to try and achieve a Guinness World Records TM title by recording the most pledges for an exercise campaign in one month. There was huge number of children taking part, with over 110,000 pledges - including over 1000 pledges from The Stonehenge School but, unfortunately, we didn't manage to break the record on this occasion.

We are very grateful for every single pledge so please pass on a big 'thank you' to everyone in your school.

If individual pupils, who pledged and participated wish to receive an individual certificate please ask them to visit Mrs Waterman in the PE office

# Apologies for the link in last week's newsletter not working. This issue has now been rectified.

#### Parents and Carers Voice

At The Stonehenge School we want to make sure that all children are able to make the most of the school day and that no child misses out on anything. Your answers to this survey will help us understand whether school costs are causing any concerns for our families and children, and see whether there is anything that we can do to help out.

Your voice is really important, and we want to hear from as many parents and carers as possible. We promise to listen to what's been said and take action where it's needed.

For more information, please contact Mrs H Blake- Assistant Headteacher

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=TqJfcwJ\_I0qWrapZAWWf37wLC-2WqBIGmIDz38IzfuFUOTVTWTNZN1M3RFQyWE9TWIRYTIhBRIIJUC4u

# Sunday 23rd July 12:00 – 4pm

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## **BONNYMEAD PARK – AMESBURY**

## FREE ENTRY

#### JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!



Live Music // Circus Performance // Bouncy Castles Face Painting // Family Activities // Funfair Games Food Stalls - including Mint Dosa, CK Bakes, H's Icc's, North 85, A Date with Thyme, Miss Bubble Tea.

### and more...



To Book your FREE ticket please visit https://www.amesburytowncouncil.gov.uk/events

#### ATHLETICS UPDATE

Following a very successful Area Athletics event back in May, students from The Stonehenge School were selected to represent Salisbury and District at the Wiltshire Schools County Athletics Championships in Swindon on Saturday 10th June. Here are the results;

#### Minor Boys (Yr 7)

Jacob Sole - 2nd in Hurdles

#### Junior Boys (Yr 8 and 9)

Henry Sui - 1st in Discus and 1st in Shot

#### Inter Boys (Yr 10 and 11)

Henry Haslam - 3rd in 800m James White (pictured below) - 1st in Triple Jump and 2nd in Long Jump.

As a result both Henry Sui and James White have both been selected for the next round where they get to represent Wiltshire at the South West Schools Athletics Championships in Exeter on Saturday 17th June. We wish them all the best.



Mr Young

#### **STAFF VACANCIES**

#### **TEACHING ASSISTANT**

#### Required as soon as possible 31 hours per week/38 working weeks per year (not including TD Days) Permanent Contract

Monday - Friday 8.30am -3.00pm, (30 minutes unpaid lunch) + 1 hour after school club each week

> E Points 6- 8, (£11.39 - £11.81 per hour) Actual salary £15,425 - £15, 993 per annum

Due to staff progression and increase in pupil numbers, we are looking to recruit enthusiastic people to become an essential part of the Teaching Assistant team here at The Stonehenge School.

#### ART AND DT TECHNICIAN

REQUIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE PERMANENT CONTRACT 37 hours per week /39 working weeks per year - term time only plus TD Days Monday - Thursday 8.00am - 4.00pm and Friday 8.00am - 3.30pm (30 minutes unpaid lunch) Wiltshire Council pay grade E Point 6 - 8, (11.39 - £11.81 per hour) Actual salary £18,895 - £19,591 per annum

We are looking for a dedicated individual to provide timely support to all teaching staff in the Art and DT department. The post holder will prepare and provide all materials for lessons, ensure stock levels are maintained, ensure all health and safety regulations are adhered to, undertake administration tasks, cleaning of equipment and facilities and make regular checks of all art equipment.

#### RECEPTIONIST/ADMINISTRATOR ROLE REQUIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Permanent contract

Wiltshire Council pay grade D Point 4- 6, (£10.98- £11.39 per hour) Monday - Friday 8.00am -12.30pm, 22.50 hours per week (actual annual salary £11,036 - £11,441)

Closing date Friday 30th June 2023 (midday)

We are looking to recruit receptionist/administrator roles to support our busy admin team at The Stonehenge School. Successful candidates must have a professional manner, be well organised, able to work under pressure and to deadlines.

EXAMS INVIGILATORS - PART TIME VACANCIES, TO START AS SOON AS POSSIBLE (WOULD SOMEONE WHO HAS RETIRED OR LOOKING FOR VARIED HOURS) SCALE B POINT 1, £10.50 PER HOUR (PAY AWARD PENDING)

We are looking for people to join our team of invigilators. You would need to work varied hours during the school day, mainly during GCSE exam periods but also covering internal and modular exams throughout the year. Must be available to work from 8.30 am to cover morning exams.

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

#### AN URGENT REMINDER TO PARENTS

DUE TO THE NUMBER OF CONTRACTORS WE CURRENTLY HAVE WORKING ON PHASE 2 AND THE GENERAL TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOL COULD WE PLEASE URGE YOU TO NOT DROP OFF OR PICK UP STUDENTS EITHER ON THE SITE OR OUTSIDE OF RECEPTION. THIS AREA IS VERY CONGESTED AT THE START AND END OF THE DAY AND OUR CONCERN IS THAT THERE MAY BE AN ACCIDENT.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION WITH THIS.

# The Stonehenge School presents

Book by Dennis Kelly



Music and lyrics by Tim Minchin

## Can you help?

We are looking to raise the funds needed to produce our next school show. Should you be able to assist us with any financial or material donations we would love to hear from you.

> Please email Mr Wood woods@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk



This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Musical Theatre International. All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.mtishows.co.uk Orchestrations and additional music by Chris Nightingale