



THE STONEHENGE

SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES SEPTEMBER

Tues 26th
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Tues 26th DofE Bronze
information evening
(5.45 - 6.45 pm)

Fri 29th
Charity Walk

OCTOBER

Tues 3rd
Year 11 Success Evening

Thurs 5th
Year 11 Trip to Thorpe
Park

Thurs 5th
SEND trip to Legoland

Thurs 5th
DofE Bronze Award
Ceremony & silver
information evening
(5.45 - 6.45 pm)

HELLO,

Last night's Open Evening was a really lovely occasion. The school was full of prospective new parents looking at the school with their year 6s and 5s in mind. The school was buzzing with activity across the site, with pupils dancing, singing, playing music, cooking, completing science and engineering practicals, rehearsing Matilda and our prefect team helping to direct parents throughout the school. Obviously our new building gained a lot of attraction, and many compliments. Head boy and Head girl joined myself in two presentations, explaining our ethos, curriculum and range of support that we provide our students.

I have been working with English Heritage as part of an advisory panel supporting the development of plans for a new dedicated Learning Centre that would allow expansion of the education programme at the site. Plans for the Stonehenge Learning Centre have recently been unveiled and include a STEM learning lab and Neolithic Classroom.

Plans can be found on the 'Inspiring the Future' section of the website: <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stonehenge/stonehenge-education-project/>

In July, a group of our pupils were invited to take part in pilot sessions for the new STEM Learning Centre, and the school is continuing to work closely with the monuments education team as the plans unfold.

Developments at Holder's Road are continuing, with large amounts of equipment still to be assembled and placed up there in order to invest fully in our Sports curriculum. Here you can see how the site is starting to transform, with one of many football pitches now in place. Rugby posts are due to be erected soon too, which I know will delight the pupils as many are keen to play rugby on a proper field at our school.

A polite reminder that we have returned to full uniform, therefore we expect pupils to have their ties and blazers every day. Jumpers should only ever be worn as an additional layer, under blazers. All pupils should be in shoes, unless adjustments have been agreed based on medical advice.



BEFORE & AFTER



CLASSCHARTS COMUNICTIONS

A reminder to please check your ClassCharts accounts as we urgently need parents to give permission for students to take part in the Charity Walk on Friday 29th.

Many thanks

Admin Team

School trips and visits in 2023/2024

We will endeavour to communicate with you about up-coming opportunities at the earliest opportunity to allow payments to be spread out. This list is subject to change, and additional opportunities will be offered throughout the year. Currently, this is what we're planning to offer to students this academic year:

When?	Where?	Who?
Thursday 5 th October	Legoland	Selected SEN students
Thursday 5 th October	Thorpe Park	Year 11
Thursday 12 th October	Bristol University: German	Year 9
Friday 13 th October	Geography field visit to Portsmouth	Year 9
Thursday 9 th November	Bath University- Sports Science workshop	Year 9
Friday 24 th November	Imperial War Museum	Year 9
Monday 27 th Wednesday 29 th November	STEM Live conference in London	Year 11
Monday 22 nd January	Poetry Live!	Year 11
Friday 2 nd - Sunday 4 th February	Poland, including Auschwitz	Year 10 and 11
Wednesday 7 th -Saturday 10 th February	Barcelona	Year 8, 9 and 10
Thursday 22 nd - Friday 23 rd February	Belgium Battlefields visit	Year 8
Saturday 20 th - Sunday 21 st April	Duke of Edinburgh Silver expedition (practice)	Year 10
Wednesday 1 st May	Bath University- Chemistry workshop	Year 10
Saturday 4 th - Sunday 5 th May	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze expedition (practice)	Year 9
Monday 6 th May	Salisbury treasure trail	Year 7
Tuesday 7 th May	Whitechapel and London Dungeons	Year 10
Sunday 12 th - Friday 17 th May	Pencelli residential	Year 8
Friday 24 th - Sunday 26 th May	Duke of Edinburgh Silver expedition (practice)	Year 10
Wednesday 5 th June	Geography field visit to Swanage	Year 9
Wednesday 7 th June	Sparsholt college	Year 9
Tuesday 11 th June	Geography field visit to Lulworth Cove	Year 10
Thursday 13 th June	Theatre trip to Wicked	Year 10
Saturday 15 th - Sunday 16 th June	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze expedition	Year 9
Wednesday 19 th June	Marwell Zoo	Year 8
Friday 5 th - Sunday 7 th July	Duke of Edinburgh Silver expedition	Year 10
Wednesday 17- Sunday 21 st July	New York	Year 10 and 11
Monday 22 nd July	Big House Day out to Central London	All
Tuesday 23 rd July	Big House Day out to Central London	All

For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring
to a secondary school in
September 2024?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or
complete an application form, available at
all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 31 October 2023

All forms must be returned to the school admissions
team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide
to finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire.



STONEHENGE MONUMENT

Did you know, local people can visit Stonehenge for free? As part of an historic agreement which English Heritage honours to this day, people living in the parishes surrounding Stonehenge can apply for a Local Resident Pass. Find out more and apply online at <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stonehenge/plan-your-visit/stonehenge-local-residents-pass/>

They also have an event coming up at the end of the month which is about Stonehenge's connection with Dahlias.

Something exciting is coming to Stonehenge! If you love history AND dahlias, you won't want to miss this... From Friday 29 September to Sunday 1 October, Stonehenge Visitor Centre will be transformed into a riot of colour. Find out more at www.english-heritage.org.uk/stonehenge

November they are running an event in connection with Cambridge University which they are calling The Festival of Neolithic Ideas, details are below.

Come along to the very first Festival of Neolithic Ideas at Stonehenge on 11th and 12th November and get involved with an outstanding programme of hands-on activities, demonstrations, talks and tours, led by experts in the field.

From radiocarbon dating and ancient DNA, to astronomy and laser scanning, we will reveal how the latest advances in science and archaeological techniques have developed our understanding of Stonehenge and the people who built it. The festival will also explore the tools and technologies used by Neolithic people to understand and shape the world around them.

Included with General Admission ticket to Stonehenge. Book online and save 10%. <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/whats-on/stonehenge-festival-of-neolithic-ideas/>



SCHOOL MEALS

We would be grateful if you could keep an eye on your child's school meals account.

There are a few student accounts that are already overdrawn. We would be grateful if parents could please ensure that there are enough funds in the account for your child to be able to have food at break and lunchtime.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals they automatically get £2.50 allocated to their account each day. This will need to be topped up by parents if they wish for their child to be able to go over this limit.



WE ARE CURRENTLY RUNNING A SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP CALLED UNIFORMD WHICH IS AVAILABLE VIA OUR WEBSITE AND THE FOLLOWING LINK [HERE](#)

YOUTH FOOTBALL THERAPY

1 in 6 young people will experience a mental health problem. Poor mental health has a significant impact on young people and can pose many challenges. Our Youth Football Therapy sessions are open to anyone in secondary school years and designed to help them develop the tools to build mental resilience.



TUESDAY EVENINGS
19:15 – 20:00
THE WELLINGTON ACADEMY
FREE TO ATTEND



KICK START FC
TACKLING THE MIND

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT
www.kickstartfc.org



STAFF VACANCIES

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

TEACHER OF ENGLISH

We require a qualified teacher of English to join an expanding department, for the delivery of English at KS3 and GCSE. As part of the English department and a member of The Stonehenge School, you will be part of a supportive and reflective team of dedicated professionals who continually improve and develop their practice in order to achieve the best for the young people at our school.

This is an excellent opportunity for an ECT seeking a first appointment, or a more experienced teacher.

TEACHER OF ART

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and innovative Teacher of Art to work within our expanding Art and Technology department.

The post would suit an ECT or more experienced teacher. ECT statutory induction is provided and the successful candidate will be working within a supportive and experienced department, who continually improve and develop their practice in order to achieve the best for the young people at our school.

We are looking for colleagues with:

- A commitment to raising achievement
- The ability to engage and support students
- Enthusiasm and good knowledge of the subject/s
- A commitment to help all young people and staff to achieve their best is expected of all staff.

**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.

Coming Soon

The Stonehenge School Presents
An Amateur Performance of...



ROALD DAHL
Matilda
THE MUSICAL JR.

11th - 13th October 2023

This amateur production of "Matilda The Musical Jr." is presented
by arrangement with Musical Theatre International Europe.