

THE STONEHENGE

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UPCOMING DATES MARCH

Mon 4th Silver DofE Training (all)

Wed 6th Bronze Girls DofE training

Fri 8th Bronze Boys DofE training

Mon 29th - Fri 9th Year 8 Milestone Exams

Mon 26th - Fri 8th March Year 11 Milestone Exams

Thurs 21st Year 8 Virtual Parents Evening

> Thurs 28th End of term

Fri 30th until Fri 12th April Headteacher's message

At the start of this week we took part in a Challenge Partners review that was completed as part of our Quality Assurance process. This means that we were joined by a team of Senior Leaders from other schools across the Country (ranging as far as Windsor and the Midlands), as well as a Senior Challenge partner who also works as an Ofsted Inspector.

On Monday the team reviewed our key documents, such as our Self-evaluation, School Improvement Plan, Ofsted reports, a range of different data, previous School Improvement Advisor reports, and additional action plans and documents that we supplied. This was then used to formulate areas of focus, or key questions that they wanted to explore in order to unpick the school with us. These covered areas like our vision and values, the culture and ethos of the school, Professional Development of staff, Leadership at all levels, the rationale behind our curriculum work, the introductions of more mixed ability teaching at Key Stage 3, our use of assessment, as well as having a key focus on SEND and Pupil Premium across the school.

Our Senior Team then completed a range of Learning Explorations across the school and conducted meetings with staff members and pupils. As per usual the pupils were an absolute asset, and spoke with enthusiasm and engagement with the visiting team demonstrating how proud they were of the school and how appreciative they are of the areas that we focus on and the hard work of the staff.

We unpicked a huge number of 'What Went Wells' throughout the school, and used the explorations and meetings to form some 'Even Better Ifs'. We will write again to give you a summary of these areas when we get the report.

The key message that shone through was that we are heading in the right direction with the plans that we have in place, and it was really clear that the visiting team took away a whole range of ideas that they wanted to implement in their own schools.

I'd like to send just a quick 'shout out' to the Year 8/9 Girls Football team that went to an Away game at Lavington School. They managed to beat their team 4-2, and should be really proud of their efforts!



THE BIG SLEEP

Once again our staff and students will be taking part in 'The Big Sleep' at Salisbury Cathedral. If you wish to support them with a donation please follow the link below to the Just Giving page.

Just giving link: https://www.justgiving.com/page/stonehengesleep2024





St. David's Day, March 1st

We have some very special and committed Welsh teachers in our school and some pupils made Welsh cakes, picau ary maen after school to share with these teachers and their classes. Staff made cheese and leek flan, Ffion Cennin a Chaus and bara brith tea loaf to share.

The Welsh teachers are Mr Prothero, Mrs Jamieson, Miss Ellis, Mr Watkins, Mr Cotterell and Mrs Brooks.

Dydd Gwyl Dewi Hapus

Pupils involved Louie Birch, Benji Charnock, Oscar Thompson, Freya Philips, Rosie Smith, Darci Lewis ,Elizabeth Sturman , Gishna Kaucha, Katie waters and Erin Strange.

YOUNG CHEF COMPETITION

Erin and Robert took part in the Quarter final of Young Chef. It was hosted at HSDC South Downs In Portsmouth in a professional kitchen, and judged in a restaurant. Unfortunately, they did not get through to the semi-finals but they did extremely well in representing Stonehenge School; inventing their own recipes and practicing in their spare time. Young chef has been an eye opener for us as in the Technology department and I will be looking to enter more students next year from year 9-11. We have an lots of positive comments from other schools; praising the confidence levels in our students, and how well they clean up afterwards!

You do not need to be doing Food technology as an option to enter but it may help to come and get some advice about dishes/equipment. Please see Mrs Cable for details and I will add your name to my list for next year.

Erin Strange

"Taking part in the competition has been an amazing experience and I will definitely be doing catering at college level. It was a very tough competition and I am not too concerned about not getting through because the opportunity of cooking in a professional kitchen was invaluable. I would look to do this again next year"

Robert Dale

"I have thoroughly enjoyed this experience and it has opened my eyes to what it is like to work in a professional kitchen".



NEW SCHOOL CHARITY FOR 2024



What they do ...

Together, they create joy, happiness and magical memories through life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.

Whether it's starring in their own films, feeding tigers, meeting a celebrity hero, or having a bedroom redesigned just so; their wishes are varied, personal and life-changing. They go above and beyond to grant amazing wishes to amazing children when they need it most. Because a child's life shouldn't be about illness, hospitals and diagnosis - it should be about wonder, joy and hope.

They've seen first-hand how a wish can provide respite from the daily struggles that come with a critical condition and that is the driving force behind why they continue to do what they do.



Congratulations to the following students for being the top point scorers on DrFrost Maths for February - keep up the good work!

Year 7	Evie C	Jacob H
Year 8	Gordon L	Frazer 0
Year 9	Victoria I	Parker V
Year 10	Elise R	Niyara S
Year II	Mox E	Isabella SW



GIRLS FOOTBALL RESULTS

Our girls football teams are on fire at the moment!!





Y7 girls took part in a 5-a-side football tournament on Thursday 29/02/24, there were 11 teams and these girls came 1st.

They all played so well and did amazing to come 1st

These girls played Lavington away in a football fixture, they all played really well and ended up winning 4-2 which was a great result and well deserved.





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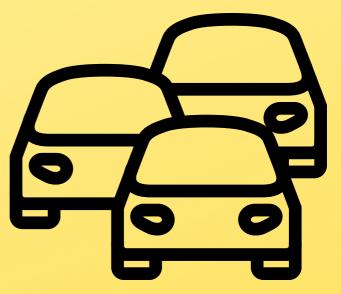
These girls came 5th which was amazing considering some of these girls hadn't all played together before.



We are once again asking parents to not drop students off outside of school or actually to drive onto the school site as we have had some near misses in the last week especially in the bad weather.

The number of cars accessing Holders Road is making it virtually impossible for staff to get to work on time due to the number of parents dropping off students.

We thank you for your assistance in keeping the roads outside of the school safe for our students.





Science Week



Year 7 Friday 15th Diorama Display

You've all been working hard on your diorama projects!

They will be put on display in the Activity room for you to judge! PRIZES FOR THE WINNERS!



Year 8

Wednesday 13th



Dissection workshop with Miss Jones! Sign up outside room 51





Monday 11th 'Chemistry in action'

Year 9

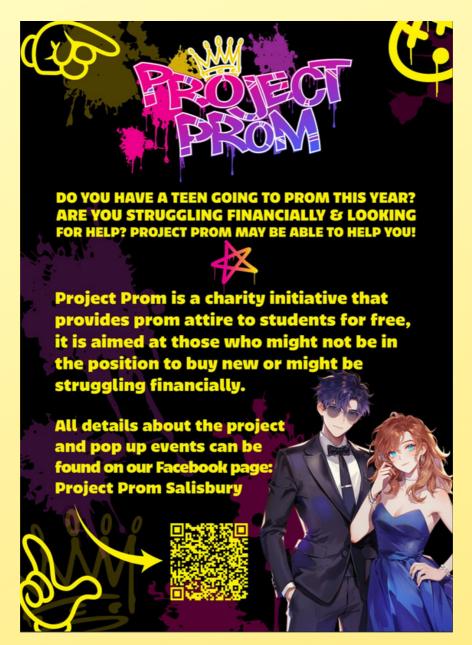
Join Mrs James for a mix of chemical experiments! Sign up outside room 32

Year 10/11

Thursday 14th Debate 1:45 in room 32

Rival Mr Church and Mrs James in the debate of 'Life without God just makes us mere animals'

MP Langley adjudicating







THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL



July 5th | 7:00 - 11:00 PM The Stones Hotel

Dresses, dances, photobooth, food & dazzle

TICKET WILL BE PRICED AT APPROXIMATELY £35 PER STUDENT (TBC). WITH A 50% REDUCTION IF YOUR CHILD IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROM PASSPORT



STAFF VACANCIES

We are currently looking to fill a number of vacancies in the coming months. Further details can be found on the website via https://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/vacancies/

LEAD CAREERS PROFESSIONAL

Required from 15th April 2024 (After Easter holidays) 37 hours per week;
9.00am - 5.00pm Mon - Thurs
9.00 am - 4.30pm -Friday

Term time only job to include TD days plus one week to be agreed during school holiday time.

Grade H points 15 17 525 820 527 660 (actual salary)

Grade H points 15 - 17, £25,820 - £27,669 (actual salary)
Closing date - Friday 1st March 2024
Interviews - Friday 8th March 2024

TEACHING ASSISTANT X 2

Required as soon as possible
31 hours per week/39 working weeks per year (including all 5 TD Days)

Permanent Contract

Monday - Friday 8.30am -3.00pm, (30 minutes unpaid lunch)

+1 hour after school club each week

Closing date - Monday 4th March

PERSONAL MEDICAL NEEDS ASSISTANT

Required from 3rd June 2024
30 hours per week/39 working weeks per year (includes TD Days)
Specific Purpose Contract
Monday - Friday 8.30am - 3.00pm (30 minutes unpaid lunch)
Wiltshire Council pay grade pending evaluation but likely to be F Points 9 - 11,
(£13.02 - £13.69 per hour)
Actual salary £17,518 - £18,426 per annum

EVENING SITE OPERATIVERequired to start as soon as possible

Permanent Contract

Hours are to be discussed further and can be flexible, however we are looking for shifts to be covered from either 3pm - 8.30 pm, or 5pm - 8.30pm

Term time only including TD Days

Wiltshire Council pay grade D or E dependent on experience Salary £12,315-£12,763 (£10.98-11.39 /hour)

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.



WE ARE HIRING!

IMPERIAL CLEANING SERVICES HAVE AN EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO JOIN THEIR CLEANING TEAM AT A SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SALISBURY AREA.

SENIOR TEAM LEADER/CLEANER
5 HOURS A DAY, 3PM-8PM
MONDAY-FRIDAY
£14.00 PER HOUR

PLEASE CONTACT US TO FIND OUT MORE AT: RECRUITMENT@IMPERIALCLEANINGSERVICES.CO.UK OR TEL 01225 282525



WE ARE HIRING!

Imperial have an exciting opportunity for you to join their growing cleaning team at a Secondary School located in Amesbury, Wiltshire.

1 x position - 5 hours per day

£10.50 per hour

3.00pm - 8.00pm Monday - Friday

Please contact us to find out more: recruitment@imperialcleaningservices.co.uk 01225 282525