



# THE STONEHENGE

## SCHOOL

### Weekly Newsletter

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#### UPCOMING DATES MAY

**Mon 6th**  
**BANK HOLIDAY**

Thurs 9th - Thurs 20th  
Year 11 GCSE Exams

Sun 12th - Fri 17th  
Pencelli Residentil Trip

Wed 15th  
Life of Pi Theatre Trip

We would like to thank you all for the support that you have shown the staff and students of The Stonehenge School over the last week, following the sad announcement that one of pupils had passed away last Friday.

Our thoughts have been with the family of Jake Swinscoe, a valued member of our school community, since we heard the news.

We know that the loss is being felt by many and we are doing everything we can to support friends, and the wider students and staff community.

We will send updates regarding plans for the funeral, and will be wanting to pay tribute to Jake's memory via Charity events, as well as lasting memorials within the school.

If you feel that your child needs any additional support at this sad time, please do contact the pastoral team. We have been accessing a range of support that we can signpost to parents and pupils in order to process the news and to deal with emotions and feelings of grief.





# YEAR 5 TASTER DAYS



## THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL

Year 5 students are invited to visit us on one of our school 'Taster Days' for a preview of what The Stonehenge School has to offer.

Discover our new building and find out about our exciting Phase 2, also the varied curriculum we offer.

### DATE & TIME



Tuesday 9th July 2024  
Wednesday 10th July 2024  
Thursday 11th July 2024



8.45 AM - 2.30 PM



**YOU MUST CALL TO BOOK A PLACE**  
01980 623407



[office@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:office@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk)



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**Carnegies**

Medal for Writing Shortlist

### Away With Words

Sophie Cameron

#### Best Line

*"Her way with words  
had become her  
way to the world."*

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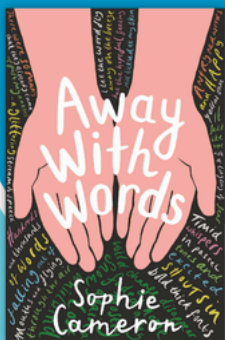
### Librarian's Review

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Imagine if every time you spoke, the words you used fell from your mouth as physical objects. Piling up and ignored by everyone. This is the world of 'Away With Words'.

Two girls who find it hard to communicate at school begin to express themselves by gathering the cast away words of others and using them to make their own messages.

It is a delightful story about family and friendships and how we can never really know everything that is happening behind what people say out loud.



COLLECTION  
JUNIOR FICTION

GENRES

- LIFE STORIES
- DRAMA

SUBJECTS

- IMMIGRATION
- FRIENDSHIP
- MENTAL HEALTH



## Stonehenge School vs Dorcan Academy

After a few weeks of anticipation, our excitement and nerves were at an all time high. The game was finally about to take place. We managed to get a coach to come with us with around 50 pupils accompanying us; it was great to have their support. We left school early in order to get into 'the zone' and have a great warm up. We got the feel of the pitch and were brimming with pre-match confidence, despite Toby Cooper and Jacob Adams playing through their injuries, both showing great courage and started the game at centre back.

Finally, the game was about to begin. After a great warm up, we were rocking and ready to go. We were told our line-up and given our tactics, we had a team talk and were hyped up. We then entered the pitch.



The game commenced and the fans were ecstatic and gave us more of a sense of urgency to win and bring the cup to Stonehenge for the first time in the school's history.

The team that were put out were very confident with their positions, as this was the squad they had played throughout the majority of the season. We have already had a great record this season and played some excellent football.

As the game kicked-off, Jacob Adams took a shot from the half-way line but nothing came from it. The first 10 minutes was a feisty battle from both sides trying to edge the lead. A good attack from Stonehenge occurred, with Jay Bulmer on the ball with a risky tackle against Jay and nothing coming from the advantage played, Stonehenge had a free-kick on the edge of the box.

Joshua Woodward towered over the ball about 25 yards out. He crossed a promising ball into the box with Harry Chandler attacking it with his head and putting Stonehenge into a well-deserved lead.

The game continued and was still a very tight contest, with the Stonehenge backline being compact against a hungry Dorcan who were trying to damage Stonehenge's advantage.

With the game being very much end-to-end, Dorcan found themselves with an opportunity to have a counter attack against Stonehenge who didn't have too many men back. As the Dorcan player progressed towards the Stonehenge goal, Henry Williamson tactically fouled the player and put the attack to a halt, but he was punished and received a yellow card.

Another free-kick was given away by Joshua Woodward for handball and Dorcan had a free-kick in a shooting position. The Dorcan player stepped up and whipped the ball towards the far post, but a good save by Dylan Smith kept Stonehenge in the lead.

As the half was coming to a close, Dorcan were finding themselves with a lot of the ball and plenty of attacks. Dorcan caught Stonehenge out and found the ball in the back of the net. Stonehenge players were all disappointed to give away such a cheap goal after such a good half. The players and ref glanced over to Joe Giblin, the linesman and his flag was up for offside. The goal was disallowed and halftime came around.

The boys played an excellent half and had a lead to be proud of. No changes were made at half-time, and the boys were just 40 minutes away from making history.

The second half began and pressure was still being put on by both teams and chances were being created, but not taken. The first 10 minutes were pretty even, but as the half progressed, Dorcan began to take control and Stonehenge were defending for their lives. Dorcan were switching balls from side to side and trying to open up Stonehenge's defence, but the players stood firm and didn't let them past.

The game was getting closer and closer to an end and Dorcan were getting chances. The first of the chances came when Dorcan's striker was one on one with Dylan Smith. Stonehenge players' hearts dropped as he took his shot, but he dragged it wide and Stonehenge's lead remained intact. More and more chances came when Dorcan played the ball into the 6 yard box at the back post and the Dorcan player was all alone. The player took the shot in an open goal and everyone thought that surely it was going to be 1-1, but he missed the chance of the game and somehow Stonehenge still had a 1-0 lead.

Stonehenge replied with a bit of pressure of their own and Nathan Doherty opened up a bit of space and took the opportunity to dribble with the ball and take a shot. His strike was excellent and nearly ended up doubling our lead which would have sealed the game for them.



With not much time left, Stonehenge made some substitutions (Malick Dem, James White and Nathan Doherty) and were just trying to keep the ball in the corner in Dorcan's half and see out the game.

The game had only a few seconds left and Toby Cooper gave away a very silly foul on the edge of our box. All the spectators, players and coaches were silent in this intense moment of the game. Stonehenge could have just thrown away their hard work for 80 minutes in just 2 seconds. The Dorcan player stepped up to take the free-kick and he knew what great pressure was on him. He took his shot... but he skied it over the bar.

Stonehenge were seconds away from making history and after a long fought 80 minutes, the ref finally blew the final whistle and Stonehenge were county cup champions for the first time.

The fans were buzzing with the result and all of them ran onto the pitch with the players and subs. It was an electric feeling for all the people involved including our number 1 fan Mr Braddick and it was a very proud moment for all the players and teachers in participation.

The players gathered around to take a photo and then all the spectators got together to take a massive photo together. They all then got in a huddle and started singing and it we all felt close together as a school. This was easily the best way to end our last ever game for the Stonehenge school and definitely a moment all the players will remember for the rest of their lives.






## EX STUDENTS SUCCESS


They only went and did it!!! Congratulations girls on winning the award.





The top half of the poster features a light pink background. On the left and right sides, there are stylized curtains in magenta and teal. The curtains have a yellow band at the top. In the center, the text "Can you help with the next show?" is written in a large, bold, black font.

# **Can you help with the next show?**

A white pencil is positioned horizontally, pointing to the right, on an orange background that represents a stage floor.

**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 (paint/timber) we would love to hear from you.**

**Please email Mr Wood  
[woods@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:woods@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk)**







CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.

**National Standards CPD accredited sessions**

All sessions booked & delivered online via [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

**Thursday**  
**2 May**

19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### **Anxiety Explained**

Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

**Monday**  
**13 May**

19:00 - 21:00  
£24

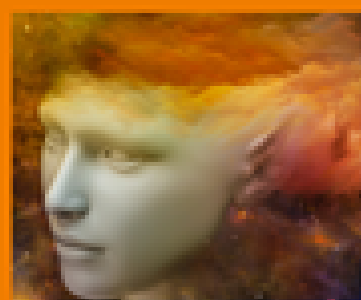


### **Autism: Improving Communication**

Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

**Monday**  
**20 May**

19:00 - 21:00  
£24

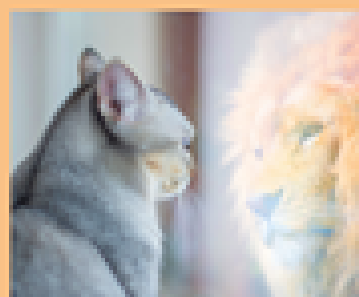


### **Understanding the Teenage Brain**

Improve your understanding and communication with your teen. Why they think, feel and behave very differently from adults.

**Tuesday**  
**21 May**

19:00 - 21:00  
£24



### **Raising Self-Esteem**

How to support healthy self-esteem in your children and yourself. Easy to apply interventions shared.



*The Class of 2024*

THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL

*Prom  
Night*

*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/>

## HEAD OF MFL

Start Date: September 2024 or earlier if possible

Salary: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2d - £7847

Contract: Permanent Contract

Closing Date: 10th May 2024 9.00 am

## TEACHING ASSISTANTS X 3

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 - 10th May 2024 9.00 am

Interview - Thursday 16th May 2024

## TEACHER OF MATHS

Start Date: September 2024

Salary: MPS/UPS (Potential for a TLR)

Closing Date: Wednesday 22nd March 2023, 9am

Interview: Week beginning Monday 27th March

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and innovative Teacher of Maths, for the delivery of Maths at KS3 and GCSE.

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.

## RESET ROOM CO-ORDINATOR

Term time only, 39 weeks per annum this includes the 5 TD days across the year.

30 hours per/week: 8.30am - 3pm with a 30 minute unpaid break.

Start Date: 3rd June 2024 (After Half Term), or as soon as possible

Grade: Grade E, point 6-8 (actual salary £16,663 - £17,227 per annum)

Responsible to: Deputy Headteacher

Responsible for: The day to day coordination of the reset room

Closing date: Friday 10th May 2024

# STAFF VACANCIES

## HEAD OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Start Date: September 2024  
Salary: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2b £5, 348  
Contract: Permanent Contract  
Closing Date: Friday 10th May, 9am  
Head of CS 2024

You will be leading a high-performing team of dedicated professionals who are always striving to get the best for their students in a valued and popular curriculum area. You will be supported by a Senior team who have a clear consistent vision for the school and join a team of enthusiastic Middle Leaders who help to drive school improvements.

### Exam Invigilators

Scale B point 2, £11.59 per hour (pending pay award)

We require additional Exam Invigilators to work with us at The Stonehenge School. We are looking for enthusiastic and supportive individuals 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.

Previous experience is not essential, as all training will be provided.

Ideal candidates will be

- Reliable and flexible
- Have good communication skills
- Confident and able to offer reassurance during exams

This is an open vacancy we are always looking to increase our team of invigilators, therefore, please submit your application form as soon as possible.

Applications to be returned to Mrs D Harker, Headteacher's P.A. at The Stonehenge School, Holders Road, Amesbury, Wilts SP4 7PW. Tel: 01980 623407 or e-mail: [admin@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk)