



THE STONEHENGE

SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES NOVEMBER

Mon 11th - Fri 22nd
Year 11 Milestone Exams

Mon 25th - Wed 27th
London STEM Residential Yr 11

Fri 29th
SCHOOL CLOSED TD DAY

DECEMBER

Tues 3rd
Harry Potter World, Year 7

Wed 4th
Flu vaccinations (nasal spray)

Thurs 5th
House Disco Years 7, 8 & 9

Mon 9th - Fri 13th
Year 9 Milestone Exams

Wed 11th
Year 7 SEN Parental
Engagement Evening
(invite only)

Thurs 12th
Christmas Concert

Tues 17th
Year 11 Science Drop Down Day

Thurs 12th
Year 10 Rewards Trip

Fri 20th
Christmas Jumper Day

Fri 20th
END OF TERM EARLY FINISH
(12.30 PM)

Headteacher's message ...

We are excited to share that we've received our first round of applications for the upcoming academic year starting in September. We are thrilled to see that 210 families have chosen The Stonehenge School as their first preference, with an additional 91 selecting us as their second choice, and 21 as their third. This strong interest reflects the trust and confidence you place in our school's ability to provide an exceptional educational experience for your children. We are committed to upholding the standards and values that make The Stonehenge School a top choice for so many families and look forward to welcoming new students into our community.



I am excited to share some updates regarding our curriculum and teaching strategies at The Stonehenge School. We are embarking on an important journey to enhance our support for students in the classroom through an adaptive teaching approach. This initiative, part of our Quality First INCLUSIVE teaching priority, aims to cater to the varying needs of all pupils. Inspired by successful practices observed at other schools, and driven by a research-led approach, we will be focusing on comprehensive training for our staff, including the development of teaching assistants. Our strategies emphasise effective oracy and assessment for learning, ensuring that every student can access the curriculum and thrive academically. We believe these developments will greatly benefit our students by fostering a more inclusive and supportive learning environment.

We would like to inform parents and students that Wiltshire Police are currently working with staff at the CO-OP on Boscombe Road, Amesbury, SP4 7JH, in response to ongoing incidents of shoplifting. While some persistent offenders are adults, it has come to light that a small number of Stonehenge School students have also been involved after school hours. Shoplifting has a significant impact on local businesses, resulting in financial losses and placing a burden on our community.

As a reminder, our school's behaviour policy includes the ability to apply sanctions for behaviours outside of school when they affect the community's welfare and safety. We will always work in partnership with the police to support any necessary identification of individuals involved. The Neighbourhood Policing Team is aware of the issue and is conducting regular patrols. Please be aware that any students caught in school uniform on CCTV may be visited by officers during school hours to discuss the matter.

A heartfelt thank you to Miss Harris and Mr Rogers for leading this week's Remembrance assembly and two-minutes silence in school on Monday. We were also deeply moved by the positive feedback received about our students' participation in Sunday's town parade, including the Head Boy and Head Girl's reading of the names of the fallen. This year, we invited pupils to wear their cadets, scout/guides, or Girls' Brigade uniforms to school, and they wore them with great pride. In the afternoon, I had the pleasure of watching them perform drills around the tennis courts, which was a truly memorable sight. We will keep this as a feature moving forward, and we would also be open to ways that we can include more of the services community moving forward each year.

Mrs Dean

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CYCLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

A reminder to parents and students to make sure bikes are fit for the winter months with brakes working, lights front and back, cycling helmets and reflective clothing. A number of students have been seen cycling without lights which is extremely dangerous and it is actually illegal to cycle on a public road after dark without lights and reflectors.

Thank you for your support in keeping students safe whilst out and about on the roads.





Any of our students who were involved in cadets or the like were given the option to come into school on Remembrance Day in their Cadet/Troop uniform. The students all looked very smart and even showed Mrs Dean how well they marched later in the morning.

A number of our students were involved in the Amesbury Remembrance Parade, including our Head boy and Head Girl who read the names of the fallen. There have been some lovely comments about what outstanding representatives of the school they all were.



FOOTBALL- YEAR 7 CUP UPDATE

Year 7 boys travelled to Bristol on Monday for a national cup match vs Kings Oak Academy. The boys battled well after the long journey and had an even first half with chances both ends going into the break at 0-0. After some back-and-forth Kings Oak broke the deadlock after a great finish in the bottom corner. Not long after the talented #10 of Kings Oak smashed one into the top corner. Unfortunately the boys lost 2-0 but their work rate and effort levels were brilliant throughout. MOTM- Edgar.



Mr Roach

CROSS COUNTRY ROUND UP

Final race out of the 4 that took place. Overall the kids did really well so a big thank you to everyone who took place.

Final results were minor boys who finished in silver position: Albert Hatfield, Harry Fletcher, Oliver Steevenson, Oscar McLeod, Edgar King and Hugo Hartland

Junior girls finished bronze overall: Ellie Welton, Megan Basey, Olivia Lewis, Katelyn Stewart and Rosie Lyons

Junior boys finished silver overall: Rocco Stachini Lewis, Zack Walsh, Jack Creese, Daniel Gravett, Myles Parry, Archie Martyn and Zach Wenderott



Individual Medals

Minor Boys- Albert who won Bronze overall
Junior Boys- Rocco who won Bronze overall



ALLERGY ALERTS

As a school we have signed up to the above and the one below regarding mustard has been sent thought to us.



Allergy Alert-Mustard & Sulphite

We have been alerted by Co-op that it is recalling its Co-op Irresistible Luxury Lasagne Al Forno from sale because it may contain mustard and sulphites which are not correctly declared on the ingredient label.

The product is therefore unsuitable for and should be avoided by anyone with an allergy or intolerance to mustard or sulphites.

If you have bought the above product and have an allergy or intolerance to mustard or sulphites, do not eat it and return to your nearest Co-op store for a full refund.

REWARDS TRIPS

In Term 1, every single year group was offered the opportunity to go on an exciting rewards trip. This decision was made after the school parliament was consulted; trips out of school was something they clearly valued as a reward. This fun day out gave students a chance to socialise with their peers, and experience a new and exciting environment.

Year 7 students went to Longleat where they had the chance to feed the sea lions on the lake, ride the train and go on safari. Year 8, 9 & 10 students went to Paulton's Park where they were lucky enough to virtually have the place to themselves. Some students even spotted a celebrity! Year 11 students went to Thorpe Park, where they experienced white-knuckle rides, including one that got them absolutely soaked!

There are further rewards trips coming up for Year 10 and 11, along with many other exciting rewards as part of our House system, such as the Attendance World Cup and the House Day in April, where the winning House will be given the opportunity to go out for the day.

Students were expected to meet our high standards of attendance, punctuality and behaviour in order to be invited and we are so pleased that so many of our students were able to meet these expectations, and for their efforts to be recognised in this exciting way.



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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

Discover! Creative Careers Week 2024, 18th - 22nd November. It's an opportunity for young people to gain insight into real job roles and pathways from employers through online and in-person events.



There's a career for you in the creative industries. Use this page to discover a range of job profiles across the creative industries, featuring careers information from our industry partners. If you're aged 16+, download the ERIC app for free where you can discover creative internships, bootcamps, events, training schemes, courses and more.

Apprenticeships can be a fantastic way to start a career in the creative industries. This vocational route allows you to combine formal training with real workplace experience through



employment. Read more here about the basics apprenticeships in England, useful information and links to resources and opportunities, plus case studies of current and former apprentices working across the creative industries.



Aimed at learners aged 11-18, the online insights feature industry professionals talking about their jobs - what they involve, what it's like working in their sector, how they got into it and also some advice and tips for young people looking to enter a similar field.



Even if you don't want to work in a creative field, creative thinking is an essential skill if we want to consistently develop original and innovative concepts. Read more about the importance of creativity here.



Check out this video from West Yorkshire Business and Skills about creative industries. It was made with the support of The Burberry Foundation. They run a programme called Burberry—inspire which is a global programme dedicated to providing safe spaces for young people to explore their creativity, develop new skills and build a more positive future.

JOB OF THE WEEK



Fashion Buyer

A fashion buyer is a professional who selects clothing and accessories for a company or retailer to sell to the public. They ensure that the merchandise they choose is on trend, complements the store's aesthetic, and helps the company achieve its goals.

Watch the video to learn more about working hours, salary and qualifications needed.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Approximately **73% of organisations** surveyed in the World Economic Forum's Future of Jobs Survey reported that **creative thinking skills was a top priority** for them when considering talent as we move into the future, agreeing that this skill set is increasing in relevance and importance.

Source

If you have any questions or need support, please email office@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk



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If you want to experience a creative industry, check out the relevant Springpod virtual work experience programmes; Graphic Design, Fashion and Architecture BAE Systems Apprenticeship Application Window is officially open. Are you ready to make a difference? You could be a pioneer, fast-tracking the future of BAE Systems through innovative technology and next-generation engineering feats. With our apprenticeships you'll earn while you learn and receive job-specific training, experience and recognised qualifications that will kickstart your career. There are over 1300 roles available nationwide. Read more here. AWE offers A-Level to Degree level equivalent opportunities across a range of business areas. From Science to Engineering to Manufacturing to Business Services, there's something for everyone. This award-winning scheme offers students the chance to launch a unique career in the defence industry, all whilst playing a pivotal part in keeping the nation safe! Read more here. Worried about your university choices? Welcome to Uni Myths Busted. The place to go for stats and facts that tackle common university misconceptions and guidance from real university students, alumni and employers. Here you'll find advice and stories from employers and students; reliable, original data; and a whole host of useful information to help you feel more confident about it all. Oxplore is an engaging digital resource from the University of Oxford. As the 'Home of Big Questions', it aims to challenge those from 11 to 18 years with debates and ideas that go beyond what is covered in the classroom. Read more here and check it out here. Have you seen Southampton Solent University's 52 things to do? It provides weekly activities, challenges, and guides to help you get ready for university, from now until freshers' week. Picking a course, paying for uni, registration and applications, moving in - they'll have something to support you every step of the way.

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EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"Join an inclusive team in a business that's ever-evolving. Play your part in creating pioneering security products and services that can change the world we live in. Whichever early career programme you choose, you'll learn, grow and thrive here. With all the training and support you need to find your unique place."

Read more about BAE Careers here.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Based in the lively and diverse city of Southampton, Solent University is home to a global community of students from all walks of life. We've been awarded triple gold by the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF), have first-class facilities, and strong industry links, getting you ready for employment."

Read more about Southampton Solent courses here.

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Christmas Jumper Day



Friday 20th December



! Call for Christmas Jumper donations !

These will be made available on the school Uniform site for free (1 per pupil) so that students who wish to, can take part in the festive spirit.

There is limited availability as this is run on donations only, so if you are able to please donate your spare items to reception.



WINTER BOOK EXCHANGE

CHOOSE A GREAT BOOK TO ENTER INTO THE EXCHANGE

If you buy one, don't spend more than £2

BRING YOUR BOOK TO THE LIBRARY GIFT WRAPPING STATION

3 House points for **each book** accepted

ORDER A TICKET FROM THE CLASS CHARTS REWARDS STORE

Join us on the 20th of December to exchange
and read books together

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

These are gifts that you are giving to other students. Make sure you would be happy to receive them yourself and that they would be appropriate for any student.

You can give as many books as you like - earning 3 House points for every book accepted. Gift books must be processed by the library team otherwise you won't get the House points. You don't need to give a book into the exchange to order a ticket from the Rewards Store.

All books for the exchange must be given in by the end of lunchtime on Friday the 6th of December to give us time to process them.

The Exchange will take place in the library on the last day of term, tickets will not be sold after Sunday the 8th of December.



£35 FOR 6 HOURS OF COACHING, A NEW TENNIS RACKET AND MORE!

First lot of lessons start on 11th November. If you book the Follow On course within 3 weeks into your Intro Course, you will get a discounted squad rate and 10% off the junior membership!

Victoria Park Community Tennis
Salisbury, Wiltshire
mail@victoriaparktennis.org.uk

victoriaparktennis.org.uk



**WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL
CHAMBER CHOIR**

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

**SATURDAY 21ST DECEMBER
12:00 PM MIDDAY**
Winchester Cathedral - Quire

Come and experience a joyful celebration of Christmas music!

The programme includes seasonal favourites from composers including John Rutter, Harold Darke, Richard Allain, and Kerensa Briggs

Advance booking is advised - Tickets £13
BOOK ONLINE, CALL 01962 857 275, OR BOOK IN-PERSON AT THE BOX OFFICE INSIDE WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL.

Festive Fun Performing Arts Workshop Salisbury & Amesbury



Sat 21st Dec 2024 - 10 - 4pm, £39

5-18 Year olds

www.stagecoach.co.uk/newbury

STAFF VACANCIES

**FURTHER DETAILS ON ALL THE VACANCIES CAN BE FOUND ON
OUR WEBSITE VIA -
WWW.STONEHENGE.WILTS.SCH.UK/VACANCIES**

Head of Drama

Salary: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2a (£3,391)

Contract type: Full time and permanent

Closing date for applicants: Friday 6th December 2024

Required for Easter/September (or ASAP)

We are seeking an experienced Drama Teacher to lead our Drama department to support with the increase in the rise of numbers on roll, and to work as part of our suite of performing arts subjects to allow students the opportunity to develop their talents, and embrace their creative talents.

Teacher of English (Potential for TLR related to whole school literacy)

Salary: MPS/UPS (Potential for a TLR related to whole school literacy)

Closing Date: Wednesday 11th December 2024, 3 pm

Start Date: Easter 2025

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 English, with Literacy and Oracy Champion

Salary: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2a (£3391)

Contract type: Full time and permanent

Closing date for applicants: Friday 6th December 2024

Required for Easter/September 2025

As part of our ongoing commitment to enhance literacy, The Stonehenge School is focusing on oracy-promoting spoken language as a vital part of learning. We aim to deepen students' understanding across subjects by encouraging effective communication and meaningful discussions in the classroom. To support this initiative, we are seeking Oracy Champions to lead the way in raising the profile of spoken language throughout the school. Working closely with our Literacy Coordinator and in partnership with Voice 21, Oracy Champions will introduce a range of oracy-focused initiatives across all subjects.

Pastoral Manager (Disadvantaged & Alternative Provision)

Salary: Grade G, point 12-14 (actual salary £21,865 - £23, 408 per annum).

Term time only, 39 weeks p.a., including 5 TD days across the year.

35 hours per/week: Monday - Friday 8.30am -4.00pm (30 minutes unpaid lunch)

Contract: Permanent

Start Date: 1st January 2025

Closing Date: Friday 6th December

To support the attendance and engagement of our Disadvantaged pupils, we are seeking to appoint a new Pastoral Manager

in order to meet the needs of our families and students. The Pastoral Manager would also support pupils who are attending

Alternative Provision, supporting them with finding places, and also completing safeguarding checks and progress reviews during their placements.

Exam Invigilators

Scale B point 2, £12.26 per hour

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

HAVE YOURS'ELF'
A 'CHEEKI'
LITTLE
CHRISTMAS



Cheeki Monkeys

BIG BABY &
CHILDREN'S MARKETS



● 1000s
OF QUALITY
PRE-LOVED GOODS!

● SAVE UP TO 90%
ON HIGH STREET
PRICES

● DECLUTTER AND
MAKE SOME £££s

● KEEP 100% OF
YOUR TAKINGS!

Amesbury sports centre
8th December 10.30am-12.30pm
Buyers entry just £1.50
Kids go free
Sellers from £10 + vat

STALLS SELL OUT WELL AHEAD
OF THE EVENT, SO BOOK EARLY
TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!
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