

THE STONEHENGE

SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES Dear Parents and Carers.

MAY

This week's newsletter is full of celebration, gratitude, and pride in our school community.

Sun 11th - Fri 16th Yr 8 - Pencelli

We are thrilled to announce that last week's "One Million Steps for Jake" challenge raised a phenomenal £2,082.70 in support of Jake's Arc, helping to fund vital research into Rhabdomyosarcoma. Jake's mum shared these kind words:

Mon 19th - Fri 23rd Year 9 Milestone 2

"That is an incredible amount of money and will be very well spent in the fight against Rhabdomyosarcoma.

Fri 23rd **END OF TERM**

Thank you to everyone who took part in the event-it was fantastic and I can see how the school has worked really hard to remember Jake.

HALF TERM Mon 26th - Fri 30th

I also wanted to say how lovely and polite all the children were as Jake's sister and I handed out the lollies across the finish line. They are a credit to the school."

JUNE

Thank you to everyone who stepped up-literally-and made this event such a meaningful tribute.

Mon 2nd TD DAY

We Are Now a Dyslexia Friendly School

TUES 3RD WHOLE SCHOOL RETURNS ON A WEEK 2 TIMETABLE

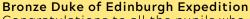
We are absolutely delighted to share the news that The Stonehenge School has been officially awarded the Dyslexia Friendly Quality Mark by the British Dyslexia Association. This nationally recognised award is a testament to our commitment to inclusion and supporting every learner.

The BDA Verifier wrote:

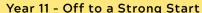
"I am very pleased to inform you that you have been successful in achieving the BDA Dyslexia Friendly Quality Mark. Congratulations! Please share the news with everyone!

May I take this opportunity on behalf of the BDA, and the Wiltshire SSENS Team, to thank you and your staff for all your hard work. You are making a difference to the lives of the young people in your care."

We are proud that our inclusive journey has been recognised in this way. Special thanks go to Mrs Turnock, whose leadership and passion for this area of work have been the driving force behind this achievement, as well as to all staff, parents and students who contributed during the assessment process.



Congratulations to all the pupils who recently completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh expedition. This is no small feat-it requires determination, teamwork, and resilience. Thank you to the dedicated staff team who gave up their time to support the pupils throughout. These are the kind of experiences that stay with students long after they leave school.



Finally, a well-deserved "well done" to our Year 11 students, who have made an excellent start to their exam season. Their attendance at revision sessions and focused approach has been commendable. Please continue to encourage good rest, healthy habits, and balance during this busy period.

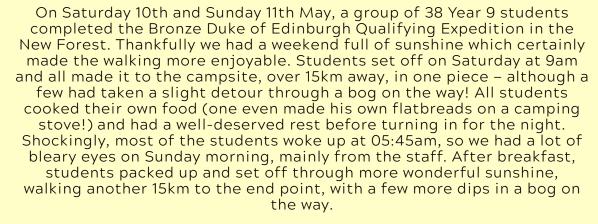
With thanks for your continued support,

Carole Dean Headteacher





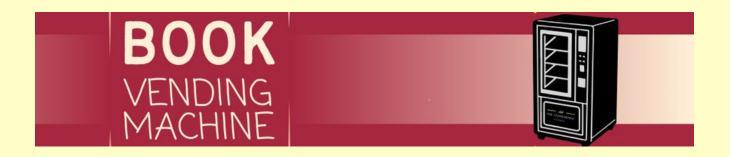
Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Qualifying Expedition



Every single student improved massively from our Practice Expedition just two weeks previously, and it was fantastic to see so many students willing to get out of their comfort zone and really challenge themselves.

Well done to everyone involved!





Our new book vending machine is now open for use.

It does not take real money, instead we have been provided with a stock of tokens to use.

The tokens will be given out as rewards as well as being available for 500 points in the Classcharts Store.

You can see details on the books available here:

https://tssvendingmachine.my.canva.site/

YEAR 11 INFORMATION

Can Year 11 students please start to empty their lockers and return the key to the main office. £5 refund will not be issued until locker key is returned.

You will be informed when to collect your refund via a class chart announcement.



YEAR 11 FOOD ACCOUNTS

As of Monday 12th May Year 11 can no longer go overdrawn on their food account.

Please can you check daily to make sure there is money on the account if your child will need food.

If there is money on your account by the end of the year it will be refunded to you.





DID YOU KNOW THAT OUR SITE ALSO HAS A STOCK OF PROM DRESSES!

APP.UNIFORMD.CO.UK/ ITEMS/THE-STONEHENGE-SCHOOL Also find a link at the bottom of the school website





STEM Summer Programmes



ARE THERE ANY FULLY FUNDED PLACES AVAILABLE?

As a charity we want our courses to be accessible to all, so we have a small number of fully funded places available on our paid courses. To qualify, students must meet one of the following criteria:

- Current home postcode sits in the lowest 20% of the Index of Multiple Deprivation, you can use the following links to check (or please contact us if you are unsure):
 - England enter your postcode, IMD decile must be 1 or 2
 - Scotland enter your postcode, SIMD area must be 1
 - Northern Ireland enter your postcode, must be ranked 178 or below
 - Wales enter your postcode, must be ranked 382 or below
- · Member of a travelling family
- Living or raised in Local Authority care
- Young Carer
- Eligible for Free Schools Meals (we will require evidence of eligibility)

If you meet the above criteria, please contact our event administration team on info@smallpeicetrust.org.uk to provide evidence of eligibility and tell them which course you would like to apply for a funded place on.



ENGINEERING EXPERIENCE OPITO (VIRTUAL) 27th - 30th May, Virtual

LAST CHANCE TO BOOK - APPLY NOW!

Ignite their potential and watch them discover the fascinating world of engineering this summer! Over three half days, students will get hands-on as they learn about three engineering disciplines including: Cyber Security, Electrical Engineering and Space - all from the comfort of their own home!

This course is open to students aged 12-14. All kit will be provided in advance. Limited spaces available.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

OUR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING COURSE WILL **NOW TAKE PLACE ON:**



5TH - 8TH AUGUST 2025

Already registered? Please email info@smallpeicetrust.org.uk for further assistance.





BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING DATE CHANGE

5th - 8th August, University of Southampton

Unleash their potential and build their confidence this summer! From designing life-saving prosthetics to discovering the tech behind ultrasound imaging, this hands-residential course will fuel their ambition and open doors to an exciting career in medical innovation.

This course is open to students currently in Year 11 in England or equivalent.



EXPLORE ENGINEERING 13th - 15th August, University of Bath

Time is running out to secure a place on this immersive three-day experience at the University of Bath. Students will dive into Mechanical, Electrical, Chemical, and Civil Engineering through hands-on workshops, real-world problem-solving, and expert-led sessions. This is their chance to tackle major engineering challenges and see how the field is shaping a sustainable future.

This course is open to students currently in Year 10 in England or equivalent.



HUMAN HABITAT ON MARS 20th - 22nd August, Virtual

What will life on Mars look like in 2050? How will we build, survive, and thrive on the Planet?

Join leading academics at City, University of London for an immersive three-day course exploring the cutting-edge science and engineering behind human space habitation. From Aeronautical and Biomedical Engineering to Computer Science, you'll dive into the innovations shaping the future!

Perfect for students with a passion for space, technology, and the future of human exploration.

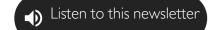
Spaces are limited - secure their place now!

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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



The Pitch 2025 is a competition where you could win work experience with JD, a £150 JD voucher as well as having your advert placed on a billboard in Manchester city centre. There's also a £5000 pot for the winners' school or college! Oh, and the finals are at TikTok HQ! You can read the brief here. Deadline Thursday 5th June.



If the competition isn't for you but you would like to learn more about careers at JD, this Virtual Work Experience programme is bursting with engaging content designed to introduce you to the various business areas of JD, plus pathways into a career with us!



Jane Street is an international financial firm with offices in London. They host a programme for students in their final year of school (Year 13) to gain experience in their office, meeting traders and learn about the transition from STEM study to careers in the financial sector. Jane Street will cover all travel expenses, as well as housing and meals. No knowledge of finance is required, only an interest in seeing what a career at the company might look like. Register here, contact for questions is work@janestreet.com and the application deadline is 15th June.



OpenAI, the creators of ChatGPT, have released a range of AI training courses. If you want to learn more about Prompt Engineering or how to use ChatGPT for Data Analysis, you can find out more about the training here.



This website will prove insightful for anyone interested in a career in the arts. With information on everything from UI UX design and Interior design to Automotive and Golf Course design, it is fascinating to explore all the possibilities available to those wanting to apply their artistic skills.

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

JOB OF THE WEEK



Audiologist

A healthcare professional who diagnoses, manages, and treats hearing, balance, and other ear-related problems. They can work in hospitals and community clinics, and may specialise in areas like paediatrics, adult assessment, or research. Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Wonkhe did a survey of student's health. The data shows strong links between student health and their sense of belonging – among students reporting "very good" or "good" health, 85 per cent feel part of a community, compared to just 68 per cent among those reporting "bad" or "very bad" health.

Source



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If you can't make a University Open Day, or want to see what might be in store when it's time to start booking them, use this list of videos and virtual tours from UCAS to get you started.



Destination STEM is a new website offering support, advice & opportunities for careers within the Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths sectors. The 'Get Involved' section includes advice on placements, competitions and networking while the 'Life after school' section will help you explore STEM careers pathways.



Sky have launched a programme finder which helps you to work out which early careers programme could be best for you. Read more here; "With so many potential programmes and roles on offer at Sky, we want to help you find out what your perfect fit might be. We've created 15 questions to support you in taking your first step with us. The questions are to get you thinking, and afterwards, we'll show you which programmes we think you'd most love here at Sky."



The Civil Aviation Authority have launched three new work experience programmes to help you learn more about aviation related careers. Click the programme name below to find out more:

- Aviation and Aerospace: Sustainable Aircraft
- Aviation and Aerospace: Airport Security
- · Lift Off with the Civil Aviation Authority



Speaking of Aviation, British Airways have several upcoming events that will be helpful for anyone who'd like to be a pilot in the future. On May 28th at 3:00 PM they have their Direct Entry Pilot Webinar. On Jun 4th at 4:00 PM they have their "Your Flying Start" drop in session which runs regularly and allows you to ask any questions you have about becoming a pilot. They don't have any upcoming webinars on their Speedbird Pilot Academy but here is the recording of the most recent session.

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"All great stories start somewhere. Pixel perfect display. Sonic boom worthy sound. More unmissable moments. The spark of a better idea starts at Sky. And the magic doesn't happen without our people. Together, we build momentum, so our work makes an impact that's felt by millions."

They have 7 graduate programmes and 9 apprenticeship programmes.Read more about Sky Careers here.

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"Where you spend your three university years is an important decision. It will determine the rest of your career. LJMU is an learning engaging environment where students can thrive and reach their full potential Our programmes focus employability career readiness, so all students feel confident to overcome any challenges. Your journey starts with us." Reac about __LJML Courses here.

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Daily

MEAL PEAL



Main Meal Shortbread Small Plain Water

£2.60

Cold Meal

Assorted Sandwich
Shortbread
Animal Adventure Crisps
Small Plain Water

£2.60







STAFF VACANCIES

Further details and an application form for all our vacancies can be found on our website via the following link - https://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/vacancies/

Informal visits to the school are welcome; please contact the Head's PA, Debra Harker on 01980 676660 or e-mail harkerd@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk

Caretaker

Salary: Support staff grade E £25,183 - £25,992 per annum with 26 days holiday to be taken in school holidays

Hours are to be discussed with the successful candidate but would be 37 per week,

working Monday - Friday

The post will be effective as soon as possible; this is a permanent position.

This position will remain open until filled

We are seeking to recruit a reliable, enthusiastic, and efficient Caretaker to join our Site Team to be responsible for maintaining our school premises.

You will support the Premises Manager to keep the school a safe and engaging environment for our students to learn in. This will involve carrying out both reactive and planned maintenance tasks which may include some plumbing and decoration both internally and externally.

You should provide detail outlining your skills applicable to the role and reasons for applying. This should be returned to Mrs D Harker, The Headteacher's PA, The Stonehenge School, Holders Road, Amesbury, Wiltshire, SP4 7PW

Cover Supervisor

Required as soon as possible
32.50 hours per week/39 working weeks per year (this includes TD Days), Permanent Contract
Monday - Friday 8.15m -3.15pm

Wiltshire Council pay grade F Point 9 - 11, (£13.69- £14.36 per hour)

actual FTE salary £19,952 - £20.936 per annum

Closing date - Friday 7th March (We reserve the right to close this position if a suitable client is found prior to the closing date)

We are looking for a motivated and enthusiastic Cover Supervisor to join our dedicated team. You will be working to support young people and to cover for absent colleagues, and ensuring that they carry out the work tasks set by the teacher with designated responsibility.

The role will include being a Tutor for which training will be provided. You should be a good classroom practitioner with a genuine enthusiasm for teaching and learning. You should be able to work with pupils covering the full range of age and abilities at our school.

The position would be a beneficial experience for anyone who was considering following a teaching career. We have an incredibly strong record of 'growing our own' teaching staff, from roles with extensive support given in terms of professional and career development, in a collegiate and supportive environment. A comprehensive training programme will be provided to support and develop the successful candidate.

There are a variety of hours/working patterns available up to a maximum of 35 per week. Applications from part time candidates are welcomed as job shares will be considered.

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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

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