



THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

Fri - 19th
END OF TERM
EARLY CLOSURE 12.30
BUSES AND TAXIS AT 1.00
PM

JANUARY

ALL STUDENTS RETURN
Mon 5TH JANUARY 2026 ON
A WEEK 1

Ending the term on a high with our amazing Christmas concert where not only students showed off their talents but we even had staff showing that they have hidden talents.

There was even the surprise appearance by Taylor Swift !!





I think Mr Grainger got more than he bargained for at the House Reward trip to the Pantomime !!

A huge congratulations to all the students who have received their rewards certificates in assemblies this week.

To everyone who took part in the book exchange, thank you for your participation



Thank you to everyone who donated toys for our collection in aid of Wiltshire Portage, Wiltshire Community Nurses and Salisbury District Hospital



STAFF VACANCIES

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, actual FTE salary £20,591.12 - £21,606.55 per annum

Closing date - Friday 23rd January 2026 (We reserve the right to close this position if a suitable client is found prior to the closing date)

Cover supervisor booklet 2025

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.

Exam Invigilators

Scale B point 2, £12.65 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 , be confident and able to offer reassurance during exams

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 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

Staff STEM Christmas Quiz

Thank you to all staff who took part in our festive staff quiz, which was a fantastic way to end the term while raising vital funds for Team STEMhenge. Rounds included Christmas decorations, Christmas TV specials, Christmas songs, Christmas traditions from around the world, and more, creating a lively and enjoyable event.

A huge thank you to everyone who paid to play and supported the quiz. We would also like to extend a special and very sincere thank you to Tesco Amesbury, whose generous donation of raffle prizes played a significant role in the success of the event. Their support was greatly appreciated and helped to make the staff raffle a real highlight of the afternoon.

Thanks to the combined generosity of staff and the support of Tesco Amesbury, over £200 was raised for the STEMhenge robotics club. This funding will directly support our students as they develop their engineering, coding, problem-solving, and teamwork skills through robotics competitions and club activities.

We are extremely grateful for the continued support from both our staff and local community partners.



Some wonderful Christmas creations by our
catering students

Mince pies: year 8

Christmas dinner: year 10

Tunnocks tea cake challenge: year 11



Stay in the loop and follow us on social media.

Did you know the easiest way to keep up to date with what's happening at school is through our social media pages? 📱

We regularly share news, reminders, celebrations, trips, events and snapshots of school life, so you don't miss a thing.

Please take a moment to like and follow us – it's a great way to see what our students are getting up to and to stay informed between newsletters.

Links below.

Thank you for your continued support! 😊

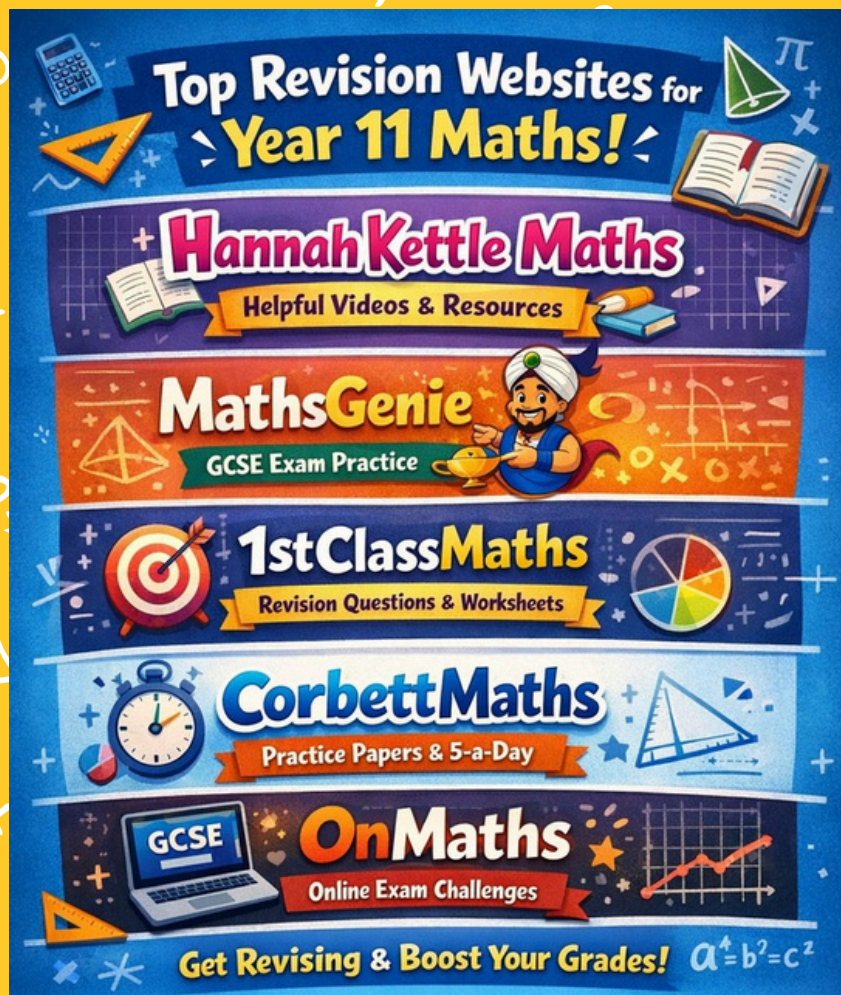


Wiltshire Family Hub will be closed over the holiday period from 1:00pm

Wednesday 24th December 2025

We look forward to welcoming you back on

Friday 2nd January 2026



HANNAH KETTLE **LIVE**

GCSE MATHS REVISION SESSIONS



FREE Live Revision Sessions!

- ✓ Key Topics & Exam Tips
- ✓ Interactive & Engaging Lessons
- ✓ Boost Your GCSE Maths Grades!

WHEN?
 Thursday Evenings **7:00 PM – 7:30 PM** for Foundation
7:30 PM – 8:00 PM for **Higher**
 Starting From: Thursday 11th September 2025

 **WATCH ON YOUTUBE**
 Subscribe for Live Sessions & Revision Videos!



SCAN HERE



Students in our Redworth Center showing off their culinary skills



SEND REFORM - THE NATIONAL CONVERSATION

The Schools White Paper will be published early next year and will set out our proposed reforms to the SEND system. Building on extensive engagement over the past year, the Department for Education has launched a national conversation on SEND reform.



Department
for Education

DfE wants to hear views, experiences and insights from as many people as possible in the coming months. The national conversation encourages everyone from parents to those working in schools, colleges and early years to get involved and help build a consensus on what works to help deliver lasting reform. Every voice will help shape the system our children and young people deserve.

This will be followed by a period of formal public consultation and further engagement following publication of the Schools White Paper early next year.

How you can get involved

Online events

Join one of five sessions and submit your questions on the key principles guiding SEND reform. You can attend as many as you like. Sign up [here](#).

Share your views online

Contribute ideas and feedback directly online at www.gov.uk/dfe/SEND-conversation



Also Have Your Say - Annual SEND Survey 2025 (for parents/carers) in Wiltshire

Families play an essential role in shaping SEND services, and Wiltshire Council is inviting all parents and carers to share their experiences in the Annual SEND Survey 2025.

👉 Parent/carer survey link:
[click here](#)

Your feedback helps the Local Authority understand what is working well and what needs to improve to better support children, young people, and families across Wiltshire.

Thank you for your time and support – your voice genuinely makes a difference.

GCHQ'S LATEST CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE

HINTS WILL BE SENT ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM AND ANSWERS WILL BE SENT AFTER CHRISTMAS - HAPPY PUZZLING!!



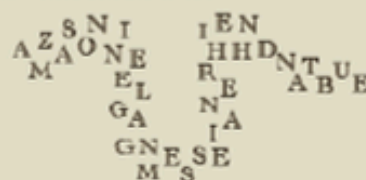
Each of the seven puzzles leads to a word, or in one case a phrase.

Write the answers into the appropriate boxes below, and then use just the letters on the front of the card to deduce a description of GCHQ's work.

6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4							

1 Somewhere on this card is a special seven letter word which has no repeated letters, and no letters which are next to each other in the alphabet. Can you find it?

2 There is some driftwood in these streams... but where should it be?



3 The robber has to find a route through the house. He can't go through the same coloured door twice in a row, and cannot move against any arrows.

Eventually he gets caught by the police. How was he acting?



4 My gifts from Santa are wrapped in pairs this year - but which one is missing?



5 The letters in TWO UV PAIRS have the values 0,1,2,...,9 in some order, with each letter representing a different digit.

$$UV + UV + V = VAR$$

$$R \times P \times P = AIR$$

$$SO + SO = VOW$$

What is 1234567?

6 Solve this code. It has lots of **four-letter** words!

PIGMIHM DRP MHSIAMA QDMPM MBNDQ **UTIL-FMQQML** NBLFP HRGMP:

LTOY, ILFR, PRLR, ROOY, GRYR, TPDR, HIIL, ARHR.

PDM FMUQ R SPTM QI DML IWH HRGM OTQ SRH YTT WILE BQ ITQ?

7 Find an appropriate 7-letter word...

✓ = letter in right place

? = letter present, but in the wrong place

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
?	?	?	?	?	?	?
?	?	?	?	?	?	?
?	?	?	?	?	?	?
?	?	?	?	?	?	?
?	?	?	?	?	?	?
?	?	?	?	?	?	?

Follow us or scan the QR code to find the answers soon!



X@n
@GCHQ



Hints

1

You might not have to look far for the special word.

2

The streams are rivers, and the driftwood is from one which flows in the opposite direction to the other six.

3

The start of the robber's route is straight forward.

4

I like my sweater and computer, but they aren't complete.

5

V can only be ONE thing, which leads you to R, which leads you to P.

6

SOMEONE HAS ENCODED the beginning of the message.

7

Each flag represents a 7-letter European country

WINTER ACTIVITIES

JOIN US FOR CRAFTS, EACH WEEKDAY

22ND, 29TH & 31ST DECEMBER

AND 1ST & 2ND JANUARY

FREE WITH MUSEUM ADMISSION

THE MUSEUM IS CLOSED ON THE
23RD, 24TH 25TH AND 26TH DECEMBER

SNOWMAN TRAIL AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT
THE HOLIDAYS

armyflying.com 01264 781086



January 2026 Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Autism - Improving Communication	5 Jan 10am
Improving Family Communication	5 Jan 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	6 Jan 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	6 Jan 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	12 Jan 10am
Understanding Anger	12 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	13 Jan 10am
Facing Defiance	13 Jan 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	19 Jan 10am
Anxiety Explained	19 Jan 7pm
Introduction to OCD	20 Jan 10am
What Is ACT	20 Jan 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	22 Jan 7-8pm
Raising Self-Esteem	26 Jan 10am
Decreasing Depression	26 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	27 Jan 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	27 Jan 7pm

Got questions? We've got answers!

Your nurses are here to help-
no worries too big or too small!

- Healthy eating & nutrition
- Sleep tips & routines
- Emotional wellbeing & stress
- Sexual health & relationships
- Bedwetting & toileting support

The Community
Pantry
Old Sarum and
Longhedge
Community Centre
Wednesdays
9.30-10.30am



**Join us at the
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Health drop-in!**

or children and young people
5-19 and their families
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