

### THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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#### HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

The new term for pupils starts on Monday 4th September. School is open on Friday 1st September but this is a staff training day and pupils are not expected to attend.

As a result of substantial growth in pupil numbers I am pleased to welcome four additional teachers to the school in September. They are

⇒ Mrs Ray who joins the English department

 $\Rightarrow$  Mrs Hock who joins the Humanities faculty

Mr Mining who joins the Languages department.

⇒ Mrs Thompson who joins the Maths department

I would like to thank Mr Philip Jamieson for his excellent and loyal service to the school where he has taught Drama for 18 years. Many former students, and parents, will have fond memories of the annual school productions he produced and directed, always with high levels of pupil participation and involvement. This is an impressive achievement when you bear in mind we were a smaller than average school without a sixth form. A number of former students have gone on to pursue careers in theatre as I am sure you have seen from time to time in the Salisbury Journal. After a long and distinguished career in



teaching, and in other fields, Mr Jamieson is retiring so that he can enjoy some quality time with his children and pursue the many hobbies he enjoys, including bird watching, writing and solving crosswords.

The school, once again, is fully staffed for the start of the new academic year. However please bear in mind that as a result of the increase in pupil numbers members of SLT and other senior staff have had to take on additional teaching commitments. If you need to communicate with a senior member of staff it is far more efficient to use e-mail, because it can be directed straight to the person in question. If you telephone the school during the school day there is a high probability the person you want to speak to will be teaching and unable to take your call. <u>Please do not turn up in Reception without contacting school first</u>; we cannot guarantee the availability of the person you need to see, and you may have made a wasted journey.

WISHING YOU ALL A RELAXING HOLIDAY-ALL STUDENTS RETURN ON MONDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2017

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#### **YEAR 9 NEWS**

Thank you so much to all the year 9's who helped out at Open Evening and Year 10 Parents Evening this term. Staff and parents were really impressed with their positive attitude and presentation. Thank you also to parents for picking them up so late and dropping them off etc.

A group of year 9 pupils also supported Miss Pavey and her team on Year 6 induction day, they did an excellent job and showed the Year 6's the high standards we expect here at The Stonehenge School.

Year 9's took part in Race for Life on July 7<sup>th</sup> with Sean Bowley winning, just beating his brother on the finish line.

Thanks also to the year 9 students who have helped Mrs Ruscoe with primary sports festivals rain or shine.

Congratulations to the following pupils who have 100% attendance across Year 9.



In recent weeks Year 9 have been getting less and less minus points, they have really risen to the challenge of being the oldest pupils in school for parts of this term, I hope this will continue and drive them to excel in September.

I hope you all have a lovely summer and return ready for Year 10.

Mrs Jackson Year 9 Progress Leader jacksond@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk

#### YEAR 11 NEWS

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the 'Class of 2017' all the very best for their futures. It has been a great pleasure to guide them as a year group through their time here at Stonehenge School, and I can still remember very clearly visiting them in their Primary Schools in the Summer of 2012, when they first knew they were coming here. The year group have had many 'joiners'; those who arrived since Sep-



tember 2012 and it has been a pleasure getting to know them too,

As a year group they have shown many different qualities, they are loyal, funny, determined, moody, serious at times, keen and also sometimes lazy, but they have certainly kept me busy. From this September I will no longer be a Progress Leader, I'm returning to my Head of Subject role, so I will not get the pleasure of visiting the Primary School again. I would also like to thank the parents who have helped over the last few months to push these teens over the finish line. I look forward to seeing you all at the Prom and on Results Day,

All the best Miss Harris

Progress Leader for the Class of 2017,



#### GERMAN PARTNER SCHOOL VISIT

On the 16<sup>th</sup> June, we were fortunate to have a short visit from our German partner school, Albert Schweitzer Gymnasium, from Sömmerda.

Our Year 10 German students maintained The Stonehenge School's international football record,



winning 2-0 against our European friends. There was then an opportunity for our students to practise their German over some Kaffee and Kuchen with their German counterparts.

Mr Thormeier, the German trip leader, commented on the confidence and warm manner of our students, who were all outstanding representatives of the school.

We would like to thank the Year 10s for their hard work and excellent behaviour during the visit; they really did themselves and the school proud. We look forward to welcoming back students from Albert Schweitzer Gymnasium in 2018 and hope that next year's Year 10 students are practising their football skills!

Ms Hockley and Mr Vickery

Languages Department

Grateful thanks to the following companies who donated sponsorship or prizes towards our Attendance Rewards:



The Factory Shop Ivydene Dental Practice The Amesbury Chippy



Thursday 20th July was Sports Day and being the penultimate day of term left us with no where to go if it rained! The morning dawned wet!! Mr Protheroe looked at the forecast which was improving throughout the day so the decision was made to go ahead.

The day saw records broken which had stood since the 1990's students excelled in their sports and threw themselves wholeheartedly into the day. There were other activities going on throughout the day with stalls and a bouncy castle.

Students and staff said a sad farewell to Mr Arnold and Miss Best our trainee teachers who were leaving to join their first school after qualifying. Good luck to them both we will miss you.

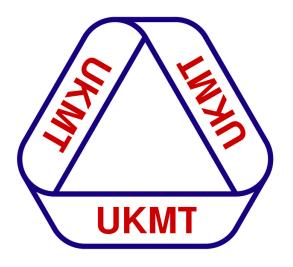
Look out for more details in the next Newsletter.



Attendance Reminder – Please notify the school immediately if your child is absent from school via the absence line on 01980 676650 or email <u>admin@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk</u>

Medical appointments should be made out of school hours where possible. In the case that an urgent appointment has to be attended, the appointment letter/card needs to be handed into the school office to enable the absence to be authorised.

Miss Wrighton Attendance Officer UKMT CHALLENGE - Top set Y7 and top set Y8 sat the UKMT challenge earlier in the year. Well done to the following pupils who just received their certificates. A special mention must go to Bradley Trevarthen who achieved excellent results in the first challenge with best in school and went forward to the Junior Mathematical Olympiad where he achieved a merit.



#### <u>Year 7</u>

Lewis Aplin - Best in year and bronze award. Bronze award :-

Callie	Jones
Ashleigh	Cook
Michael	Wells
Riley	Nel
Shaina	Lucas

#### <u>Year 8</u>

Bradley Trevarthen Merit award in JMO, Best in school, Best in year and gold award UKMT.

Gold award Brian Makaza

Silver award :-

Michael	Narruhn
Paige	Scott
Harry	Lawrence

#### Bronze award :-

Samuel	Hunter
Jake	Sherring
Cameron	Muir
Toby	Foster
George	Jordan
Teagan	Worrall
Aaron	Fowler
Francisco	Gomes
Chantel	King





On one of the hottest days of the summer our Year 7, 8 and 9 students along with staff took to Holders Field for what has become an annual event the 'Race for Life'. All of the pupils walked, jogged and ran just over one mile on what was a hot sunny afternoon. They were allowed to come to school in mufti and many also chose to come in 'pink mufti'.

The amazing amount of  $\pounds$ 950.07 has so far been raised with donations still welcome on line. Our page is <u>fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/the-Stonehenge-school</u>.

Take a look at the photographs on our website at http://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/our-school/gallery

Mrs Ruscoe

#### Rotary Young Writers' Competition, 2017

Eleven of our Year 10 students represented the school in a national Creative Writing competition, organised by the Rotary Club. All eleven were awarded certificates by Clive Barnwell, Young Writers co-ordinator for Amesbury Rotary Club. Our representatives were Oliver Stubbs, Keanan Downie, Jack Jordan, Haydn Waters, Oliver Rasey, Laura Stafford, Joshua Foxley, Daniel Willis, Joshua Riggs, Bradley Evans, and William Haslam.

The theme for the short stories this year was Reflection, and students were free to write whatever story they liked to fit with this. We had a number of different styles, ranging from science fiction, to crime, to environmental thriller. As always, our students showed both imagination and skill in their approach to the task, and two students, Brad-

ley Evans and Oliver Rasey, did particularly well, winning prizes at regional level.

The competition will run again next year!

Mr Wooster





Mr Protheroe was lucky enough to again get tickets for Wimbledon this year and set off with Mrs Thompson and a minibus full of excited students for a brilliant day at the tournament. <u>Wimbledon</u> 2017

On arrival they were delighted to see Andy Murray on one of the warm up courts. It was a fantastic day with some brilliant tennis the only down side was the swarm of flying ants which decided to hatch that day!! It even made national headlines as they were all over the courts!

The students said that the whole experience was phenomenal and the atmosphere was amazing.

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Lots more photographs on our website by following the link http://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/our-school/gallery

