



# THE STONEHENGE

## SCHOOL

### Weekly Newsletter

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#### UPCOMING DATES

#### JUNE

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> - Tues 30<sup>th</sup>  
Lego Land Trip

Tues 30<sup>th</sup>  
Yr 10 Careers  
Roadshow

#### JULY

Wed 1<sup>st</sup> July  
Yr 6 Transition Day

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Yr 6 Transition  
Evening

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>  
House Summer Disco

Dear Parents and Carers ..

As we reach the end of what has certainly been one of the more unusual weeks we have experienced at The Stonehenge School, I wanted to take a moment to thank you for your patience, understanding and support.

Like many schools across the country, we found ourselves responding to rapidly changing weather forecasts and official guidance. Our priority throughout was to keep the school open wherever it was safe to do so, whilst continually reviewing classroom temperatures, staffing levels and the wellbeing of both students and staff.

Closing the school was not a decision that was taken lightly. We know the disruption it causes for families and appreciate the flexibility you showed at very short notice. Your understanding allowed us to make decisions based solely on what was safest for our school community, and for that I am extremely grateful.

Today, it was wonderful to welcome everyone back to a slightly cooler school and return to something that felt a little more normal. Year 10 successfully completed their milestone assessments, the Festival of Friends trip went ahead, and our Blue Mufti Day raised money for Jake's ARC – a charity that means so much to our school community. Thank you to everyone who supported the day.

The highlight of the day, however, was undoubtedly welcoming our Year 11 students back for their Leavers' Assembly.

After everything they have experienced over the past five years, it was a real privilege to spend the morning celebrating such a remarkable group of young people. We reflected on their journey together – one that has included plenty of successes, a fair few challenges and memories that will undoubtedly stay with them for years to come.

There were laughs as we remembered Iceland, where new friendships blossomed, where the students took our game of tag to an entirely new level, and where some of them had the dubious privilege of witnessing me fall over!

We also celebrated two outstanding Head Students, Matt Guilder and Abigail Sheather, whose leadership, commitment and thoughtful speeches have been exceptional throughout the year. They have represented the school with maturity and kindness and have been an absolute pleasure to work alongside.

Alongside the laughter, there were moments of reflection too. We acknowledged that this year group has faced some significant challenges over the years and took time to remember Jake. Our Blue Mufti Day was a reminder that he will always remain part of our Stonehenge family, and that by supporting Jake's ARC we continue to honour his memory in a meaningful way.

To our Year 11 students and their families: thank you for allowing us to be part of your journey. We wish every one of you the very best for the future and look forward to celebrating with you again on GCSE Results Day in August.

Finally, thank you once again to all of our families for your continued support this week. We are fortunate to be part of such a supportive community, and it has been greatly appreciated by all of us.

I hope you all have a safe, enjoyable and hopefully much cooler weekend.  
Mrs Carole Dean, Headteacher



Larkhill Primary PTA Presents a

# SUMMER FETE & CAR BOOT



**Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> 2026**  
**10am - 2pm**

**Larkhill Primary School, Wilson Road, SP4 8QB**

**ALL WELCOME!**

**Face  
Painting**

**Raffle**

**Tombola**

**Food  
& Drink**

**Games**



**Stalls**

Car booters - £5 per car\*  
Stall holders - £10 + Raffle prize donation\*  
Registered Charities (Charity No. Required) - Free + Raffle prize donation\*  
Catering stall / Food Vendors - 15% of all sales + Raffle prize donation\*

\* Prebooking essential – Contact - [admin@larkhill.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@larkhill.wilts.sch.uk)

## Funding Opportunity for Students and Apprentices

### Vocational Support Grant | Wiltshire and Swindon Community Foundation

We would like to make families aware of a funding opportunity that may be of interest. Please note that the school is simply sharing this information and has no affiliation with the organisation offering the grant. We are not involved in the application process and cannot advise on eligibility or outcomes.

The Vocational Support Grant, provided by Wiltshire and Swindon Community Foundation, offers grants of up to £1,000 to support young people aged 14-24 who are studying vocational courses or apprenticeships.

Funding may be available to help with costs such as:

- Specialist equipment and resources
- IT equipment
- Course-related trips and activities
- Travel costs (in some circumstances)

Potential applicants must meet the eligibility criteria set by the charity, which may include residency requirements and household circumstances.

If you would like to find out more, including full eligibility details and application information, please visit the Wiltshire and Swindon Community Foundation website directly (link above).

We hope this information is helpful to families who may be eligible for additional support.



### **CRAZY STRENGTH - HAVE A GO INTRODUCTORY WEIGHTLIFTING WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN**

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> they have a free introductory weightlifting workshop for children from 10:30 till 12:00.

The link below will allow you to sign up to this.

<https://www.evini.com/locations/390/workshops/16020/c5a16beb>



## Year 9 First Aid Sessions

Over the past few weeks, our Year 9 students have been taking part in first aid sessions as part of their PSHE lessons, led by a generous volunteer from the Amesbury community who gave up his time to work with our pupils.

The sessions focused on practical skills that could genuinely save lives. Students learned how to spot the signs of a stroke using the FAST acronym, what to do in cases of severe bleeding, and how to carry out CPR with the help of community defibrillators.

It was fantastic to see how engaged the students were throughout. They listened carefully, asked some excellent questions and threw themselves into the practical activities with enthusiasm. Many were keen to have a go at CPR and practise the techniques they had been shown, creating a positive and interactive atmosphere in the classroom.

We would like to say a huge thank you to our volunteer for sharing his knowledge and experience with our students. His willingness to support the school has helped give our Year 9s valuable skills and, hopefully, the confidence to step forward and help someone in an emergency. The students were a real credit to the school, and it was a pleasure to see them representing us so well.



# SCHOOL SUMMER DISCO

★ FOR YEARS 7 AND 8 ★

THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY  
18:00 - 19:30

TICKETS ARE £2  
ON PARENTPAY.

★ SNACK TOKENS  
ALSO AVAILABLE! ★



The  
**STONEHENGE**  
SCHOOL  
SCHOOL FUND

ENHANCING OPPORTUNITIES, ENRICHING FUTURES




Every contribution, no matter the amount, helps make a difference and is greatly appreciated.

Registered Charity No. 289823

The School Fund is a voluntary contribution from parents and carers that helps us provide resources and improvements beyond those covered by government funding.

♥ DONATE



We kindly ask families to consider contributing between £3 and £6 per month, or £36 to £60 per year, via 

While contributions are not compulsory, this funding plays an important role in enhancing our school environment and supporting opportunities for all pupils.

Over recent years, School Fund contributions have helped us purchase additional resources such as picnic benches, sports equipment, and improvements to our school library.

Looking ahead, we plan to use future funds to enhance outdoor social spaces for pupils and improve locker storage facilities.

## **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](mailto: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

### **TEACHER OF ART (MATERNITY COVER)**

Start Date: November 2026 or January 2027

Salary: MPS/UPS

Closing Date: Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 9am

Interview: TBC

[Teacher of Art \(Maternity Cover\)](#)

### **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.

YEAR 7 ONLY!



# ★ YEAR 7 STUDENTS! ★ JOIN TEAM STEMHENGE!

BE PART OF OUR BRAND NEW  
LEGO® SPIKE™ ROBOT TEAM!

BUILD IT.  
CODE IT.  
BRING IT TO LIFE!



### WORK TOGETHER

Share ideas, help each other and achieve amazing things!



### LEARN NEW SKILLS

Build, code and solve problems like a real engineer!



### HAVE FUN

Take on exciting challenges and celebrate your wins!



### BUILD

Create awesome robots and bring your ideas to life!



### CODE

Write code and make your robot do amazing things!



### DESIGN

Plan, test and improve your robot together!



### COMPETE

Put your robot to the test in fun challenges!



### BELONG

Be part of a team. Make friends. Make memories!



LEGO  
spike™  
Prime



SCAN ME!

★ YOUR ADVENTURE STARTS HERE! ★  
JOIN TEAM STEMHENGE!

BUILD TODAY. ★  
CODE TOMORROW.  
CHANGE THE FUTURE!

Successful applicants will be asked for a £30 annual contribution towards tournament entry.

WE WANT YOU!

YEAR 8 & 9 STUDENTS!

BE PART OF THE TEAM!



# JOIN TEAM STEMHENGE!

COMPETE IN THE FIRST TECH CHALLENGE UK!

APPLY FOR A ROLE THAT SUITS YOU!

- Drivetrain Engineer:** Leads other team members in the building of the robot
- Software Engineer:** Develops and maintains the code needed to operate the robot
- Manipulation Engineer:** Takes challenge in the game and organises ways to create strategies
- Project Manager:** Coordinates all aspects of the team and leads group discussions
- Financial Officer:** Develops and maintains a budget, ensuring expenses are planned and funds are used wisely
- Outreach Officer:** Coordinates community outreach such as promoting the team in the local area



### WORK TOGETHER

Share ideas and achieve amazing things!



### LEARN NEW SKILLS

Build, code, design and so much more!



### HAVE FUN

Take on exciting challenges and celebrate wins!



### MAKE MEMORIES

Create friendships that last a lifetime!



### MAKE AN IMPACT

Use STEM to solve problems and make a real difference in your community!



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## Application Criteria

- ✓ Attend an Arkwright affiliated organisation (free to affiliate)
- ✓ Current year group:
  - Year 11 (England & Wales)
  - S4 (Scotland)
  - Year 12 (Northern Ireland)
- ✓ Current study relevant to Engineering:
  - GCSEs
  - Scottish National 5s
  - BTECs level 2
  - IB Middle Years Programme
- ✓ Future study appropriate for application to an Engineering-focused higher apprenticeship or university course:
  - A Levels
  - Scottish Highers
  - BTECs Level 3 or T Levels
  - IB Diploma
- ✓ Actively considering a career in Engineering and is committed to studying one of our approved subjects (see the AES handbook)



A two-year scholarship for high-potential young people aged 16-18 years old, who are inspired to progress in an Engineering, Computing or Technical Design career

## Application Process

- 1 Application Form**

Write about:

  - Career aspirations in Engineering
  - Any current or recent engineering activities, hobbies or projects

Create:

  - An A3 STEM project proposal
- 2 Online Assessment**
  - Section 1 - Multiple choice questions about numerical, mechanical and spatial reasoning principles
  - Section 2 - Open-ended design question exploring an Engineering problem
- 3 Virtual Interview**

Successful applicants are invited to an interview with representatives from education and Engineering industries Present:

  - The progress made in the project from the project proposal to interview

## Scholarship Benefits

	Smallpeice Virtual Scholarship	Externally Sponsored Scholarship
Attend welcome networking event	✓ (virtual)	✓ (in-person)
1 to 1 Mentor		✓
Access to Group Mentor	✓	
In person Connect Days		✓
Virtual Connect Days	✓	✓
Access to online enrichment resources and events	✓	✓
Networking opportunities with other Scholars	✓	✓
Scholar financial award - £250 per year		✓
£150 per Scholar for state schools & youth organisations (year 1 only)		✓

## Supporting Future Arkwright Engineering Scholars

- 1 Become Arkwright affiliated**

Complete the free [affiliation form](#) for your school or youth organisation
- 2 Access application support**

Watch webinars on our [YouTube channel](#) and see the [Arkwright Handbook](#) for more detail

Book a [virtual Arkwright assembly or support session](#)

See the [current application timeline](#) on our website
- 3 Nominate candidates**

Sign into your **Application Management System (AMS) account** and add details of applicants so they can start their application form

See the [AMS Teacher User Guide](#) & [AMS Student User Guide](#)
- 4 Review applications**

Review completed forms and add optional references

Organise payment of **£45 per application\*** to finalise and submit them

**\*State schools and youth organisations receive two free applications**

## Key Dates

- Application launch:** Early September
- Young person & adult application deadlines:** Early December
- Online aptitude assessment:** Early January
- Successful candidates interview invites sent:** Mid February
- Virtual interviews:** March & April
- Successful candidates informed they are Scholars:** Early May

Contact us for more information at [scholarships@smallpeicetrust.org.uk](mailto:scholarships@smallpeicetrust.org.uk)



# ARKWRIGHT

## ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIPS

# Helping Your Child Stay Safe Online

Children and young people spend a huge part of their lives online — chatting with friends, gaming, watching videos and learning new things.

The online world brings many positives, but it can also expose children to harmful content, scams, bullying and unsafe contact.



The good news is that small, regular conversations at home can make a big difference.

## START WITH CONVERSATION, NOT CONTROL

Try asking:



What apps are popular at the moment?



Have you seen anything online recently that upset you?



What would you do if someone online made you uncomfortable?



How do you know if something online is real?



Keeping conversations calm and non-judgemental helps children feel safe coming to you if something goes wrong.

## HELPFUL TIPS FOR FAMILIES



Set up parental controls



Keep devices in shared spaces



Agree family expectations



Encourage critical thinking

## SIGNS YOUR CHILD MAY NEED SUPPORT



Becoming withdrawn or anxious after using devices



Suddenly hiding screens or accounts



Changes in sleep or mood



Reluctance to attend school



## USEFUL REMINDER FOR PARENTS

Parental controls are helpful — but they work best alongside trust and open communication.



Open conversations build trust. You don't have to be an expert—just be there.



SUPPORT  
GUIDE  
EMPOWER

# SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP

  
THE STONEHENGE  
SCHOOL

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STONEHENGE-SCHOOL  
Also find a link in the Parent  
Portal on the school website

# SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP - PROM!

  
THE STONEHENGE  
SCHOOL

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

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*Prom night*



For families of teenagers aged 11+

# Five To Thrive The Teenage Approach

Join other parent/carers where you can share ideas to develop the positive connection between you and your teenager.



Scan the code to express your interest or for more information or to book your space contact us on:

**0800 970 4669**

[www.wiltshirefamilyhubs.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirefamilyhubs.org.uk)

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