THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES

NOVEMBER

Mon 9th - 20th
Yr 11 Milstone 1

Mon 23rd
Yr 10 & 11 Hunger Games
Cinema trip

Tus 24 - Thurs 26
Poland Trip

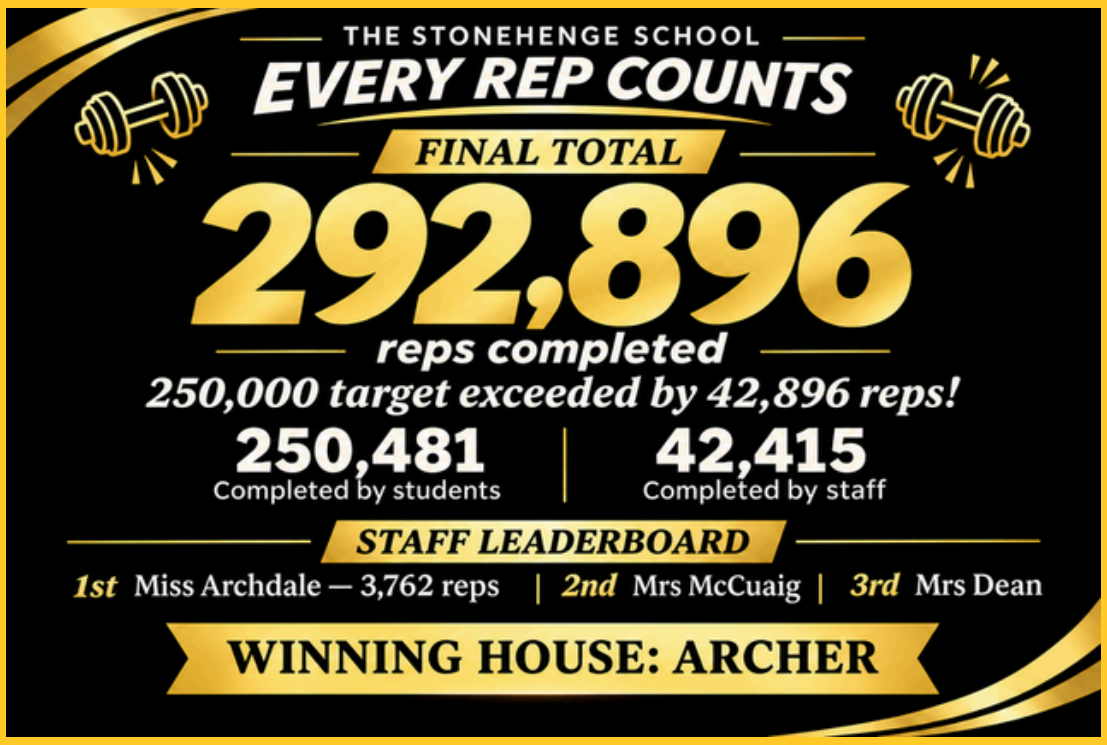
Friday 27th
TD DAY

DECEMBER

Mon 30th - 4th
Year 9 Re-teach Week

Thurs 3rd
House Christmas Disco

Mon 7th - Fri 11th
Yr 9 Milestone 1







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SOLSTICE





This week, students and staff at The Stonehenge School celebrated Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week!

Students were encouraged to wear their brightest, boldest and most mismatched socks to celebrate the fact that we are all unique!

Odd Socks Day is a simple but powerful reminder that it's okay to be different and that everyone deserves to feel accepted, valued and respected. It was fantastic to see so many students getting involved and showing that, while we might all be different, we can stand together against bullying. A huge congratulations and thank you to our fantastic Diversity Ambassadors, Ruby, Maddie and Darcy, for organising the event and helping to spread such an important message across the school!













FOOTBALL RESULTS

Year 7 boys were defeated by Sarum in a very close game. Stonehenge found themselves 4-1 down at half time and eventually lost the game 6-4 in a brilliant second half performance. Goals from Abu x3 and Harvey x1.
Harvey and Abu joint MOTM.

Year 11 boys travelled to Stanley Park, Chippenham to face a strong Hardenhuish in the county cup first round. Stonehenge started strongest with a dominant opening 20 minutes but failed to capitalise. Hardenhuish grew into the game and created some excellent chances late into the first half and throughout the second half but Chandler, who played brilliantly was equal to them all. Stonehenge took the lead against the run of play with a towering header from Matthews as a result of a brilliant corner from Levey. Stonehenge then continued to defend brilliantly, which allowed them to hit Harden on the break and score another brilliant goal, headed home by Matthews.
MOTM - E.Chandler.

Wiltshire Council

Wiltshire Council is consulting on the proposed admissions criteria and admission arrangements for its Community & Voluntary Controlled Schools for the 2028/29 academic year. It is also consulting on the proposed schemes for co-ordination of admissions to all maintained schools and academies for the 2028/29 academic year.

The consultation begins on Thursday 19 November 2026 and it ends on Thursday 7 January 2027

The consultation documents can be accessed by clicking on the link below.

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-consultation

I would be grateful if all schools could share these proposals with parents and encourage them to email any comments to the Local Authority so that any returns, give an accurate reflection of the views of all school communities.

To respond to this consultation please send your comments by email to admissions@wiltshire.gov.uk or you can write to:
School Admissions Team
Wiltshire Council
Bythesea Road
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8JN
Kind regards

Debbie Clare
School Admissions Co-ordinator



ONLINE GIRLS' BRIGADE

For Military Families

FORCES CONNECT
FRIENDSHIP. BELONGING. WHEREVER YOU ARE.

INTRODUCTION:
Are you aged 13+ and part of a military family? Join us online for a fun and welcoming Girls' Brigade session via Zoom!

Connect with other young people from military families, make new friends and discover what The Girls' Brigade is all about wherever you are based.

WHO:
Young people aged 13+ from military families

WHERE:
Online via Zoom

WHAT TO EXPECT:
Explore the Girls' Brigade programme

Bible theme
Craft activity
Group discussions

WHEN:
Thursday 19th November
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM GMT+1

Then every 3rd Thursday of the month.

COME ALONG & GET INVOLVED!

Everyone is welcome whether you're already part of Girls' Brigade or completely new.

We look forward to meeting you online!

FRIENDSHIP. BELONGING. WHEREVER YOU ARE.

BOOK YOUR FREE PLACE

girlsbrigadeonline-eventbrite.co.uk

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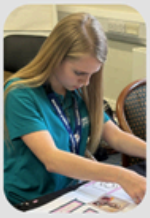





YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 13+ FROM MILITARY FAMILIES

THURSDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 7PM

ONLINE VIA ZOOM

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Find out more about The Girls' Brigade England and Wales at girlsbrigadeministries.org.uk

Friday 18th December

Donations Needed

Christmas Non-Uniform Day



+ Do you have any unwanted Christmassy Clothes?
+ To ensure no pupils are left out of the fun, we are asking for donations to stock on our Uniformd site.
+ These will be free to claim (1 per pupil, while stocks last)


ARMY FLYING MUSEUM
Santa's Flying Visit!
Saturday 5th December
10.00 - 15.00
Meet and greet with the AFM elf
Professional Photo with Santa in the Scout helicopter
Christmas Craft Activity
Join our AFM elf to make magical reindeer food to take home for Christmas Eve
Drink and Christmas Treat from our Apache Cafe
Follow our Festive Trail
Collect your gift from the AFM elf
All for £22 per child
Adults £12 (Annual pass holder £6)
Children under 2 years or over 10 years (not participating) Free
If you wish for your under 2 year old to participate and receive a gift etc. please buy a child ticket
armyflying.com
01264 781086


Christmas Fair
ARMY FLYING MUSEUM
Date: 21/11/2026
Time: 10.00 - 15.00
Buy special gifts for your loved ones from a wide range of local stall holders, including jewellery, candles, original artwork and home furnishings.
Christmas craft activities available for children
Festive treats available in the Apache Café
Entry : Adults £3, Children £2
armyflying.com
01264 781086





Christmas in Salisbury 2026





Scan to discover What's On

experiencesalisbury.co.uk

Christmas in Salisbury

The most magical time of the year is upon us and Salisbury is the perfect place to celebrate the season. **Discover just some of the city's special festive events...**

Scan to see the **full range of events** in Salisbury this Christmas

18 Nov – 24 Dec
Salisbury BID Reindeer Trail
City Centre

20 Nov – 31 Dec
Christmas on the Square
Guildhall Square

20 Nov – 04 Jan
SCC Salisbury Christmas Trail
City Centre

28 Nov – 10 Jan
Beauty and the Beast
Salisbury Playhouse

29 Nov, 06, 13 & 20 Dec
Sunday Festive Markets
Market Place

07 – 27 Dec
The Tailor of Gloucester
The Salberg Studio

09 – 12 Dec
A Christmas Carol
The Salberg Studio

10 Dec, 18:30-20:30
Festive Late Night Opening
Salisbury Cathedral

11 Dec, 19:00
Christmas Organ Extravaganza!
Salisbury Cathedral

12 Dec, 12:00-16:00
Community Christmas Window Painting
City Centre

22 & 23 Dec, 19:00
Carols by Candlelight
Salisbury Cathedral

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NIHR | Mental Health Research Group

UNIVERSITY OF BATH

Does your child have difficulties with behaviour or attention?

Help improve local support services by taking part in research!



We are looking for families with children **aged 9-12** who may experience one or more of the following:

- Have difficulty followingrulesand expectations.
- Have been on a behaviour support plan or have been suspended or excluded.
- Often feel overwhelmed, frustrated or dysregulated at school or at home.

And go to school in Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon, Wiltshire, Somerset or South Gloucestershire



- 90 minute interview with you and 30 minutes with your child (optional)
- We can travel to see you or meet you near where you live.
- You will get £30 and your child £10

Want to learn more?

- **Email the team: pathways-study@bath.ac.uk**
- **Call/text: 07980 962364**
- **Scan the QR code**

Studyend date: December 2027 Ethics ID: 14075

Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions

Free online course

Supporting My Teen to Understand Their Skills

Friday 27 November 10am - 12pm



Support your teenager to recognise their unique contribution

- Encourage your teenager to recognise their skills and qualities
- Explore how to nurture resilience and independence
- Support your teenager to plan for their future

For bookings scan the QR code or contact: 01225 770478
familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk
https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/

Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria. Learners must be aged 19+ years, have a Wiltshire postcode, and meet residency requirements. Learners must also be able to tick **one** of the following criteria: individual income less than £26,800 a year; in receipt of benefits (other than child benefit); be a care leaver, foster carer or carer; be a military family or ex-armed forces personnel; have refugee or asylum seeker status; have a learning difficulty or disability; be looking to work, now or in the future.

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Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions

Online Course Supporting My Teen with Study and Revision

Friday 4 December 10am - 12pm



- Understand how to create a calm and productive study environment
- Discover tips and techniques to make revision less stressful and more effective
- Find ways to support your teen that builds confidence and reduces pressure

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Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions

Online Course Supporting My Teen with Wellbeing

Friday 11 December 10am - 12pm



- Understand the changes in a teenage brain
- Learn techniques to promote wellbeing
- Explore positive psychology

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Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions

Online Course Supporting My Teen with Anxiety

Friday 18 December 10:00 - 12:00



- Understand the challenges teens face and how anxiety affects them
- Learn practical ways to boost your teen's emotional wellbeing at home
- Discover strategies to help your teen manage anxiety in everyday life

For bookings scan the QR code or contact: 01225 770478
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SAFE SCHOOL ZONE

Help keep our school community safe



CARS AND KIDS DON'T MIX



Disabled parking for the use of visitors to the school only



For drop off & collection please use car parks at:

- ✓ Tesco
- ✓ B & M
- ✗ Please do not drive through the school site
- ✗ Please do not use visitor parking spaces

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FREE SCHOOL MEALS – CHANGES FROM SEPTEMBER 2026

From **September 2026**, the eligibility rules for Free School Meals (FSM) are changing, meaning more children will qualify.

WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE?

From September 2026, all children whose families receive **Universal Credit** will be entitled to free school meals, regardless of household earnings.

These current and newly eligible households should have now been contacted by Wiltshire Council.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES CURRENTLY RECEIVING FREE SCHOOL MEALS

The current transitional protection arrangements will end at the end of the 2025/26 **academic year**. This means that all current Free School Meal entitlements will be reassessed against the new national eligibility criteria by **Wiltshire Council.**

- You **do not** need to reapply.
- Eligibility checks will be carried out automatically in line with Department for Education guidance.

THE TWO TYPES OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS

TARGETED FREE SCHOOL MEALS

For families receiving Universal Credit with annual earnings of **£7,400 or less** (excluding benefits).

- Free school meals (valued at £2.65 per day from September 2026).
- The school receives Pupil Premium funding to provide additional support. **(support includes reduction in the cost of school trips for students)**
- Annual entitlement to a free school blazer, tie and PE performance top

EXPANDED FREE SCHOOL MEALS

For families receiving Universal Credit with annual earnings **above £7,400.**

- Free school meals (valued at £2.65 per day from September 2026).
- The school does not receive Pupil Premium funding, so the additional uniform entitlement does not apply.

UNIFORM ENTITLEMENT

As the new Free School Meals eligibility criteria come into effect from September 2026, Wiltshire Council will reassess all Free School Meals claims.

We are pleased to provide the free blazer, tie and PE performance top based on your child's current Free School Meals status. However, if the reassessment determines that your child is no longer eligible for Free School Meals (or is entitled to Expanded Free School Meals only), the cost of any uniform items provided under this scheme will become payable by parents/carers.

Any charges due will be added to your child's **ParentPay** account. If required, a payment plan can be arranged to spread the cost over an agreed period. Please contact the school office if you would like to discuss this option.

office@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk



WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

- If you receive **Universal Credit** and your child is **not currently registered** for free school meals, you may become eligible from September 2026. We encourage you to apply via **www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-free-school-meals.**
- If your child already receives Free School Meals, there is **no need to reapply.** Your eligibility will be reassessed automatically by Wiltshire Council under the new national criteria.

Registering for free school meals ensures your child receives their entitlement and, where applicable, helps the school access additional funding to support pupils.

The Stonehenge School

SMALL CONTRIBUTIONS BIGGER POSSIBILITIES!

JOIN OUR SCHOOL 100 CLUB!

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL & WIN CASH PRIZES!



100 MEMBERS EACH MONTH

£1 PER MONTH

That's less than a cup of coffee!

CASH PRIZES

3 PRIZES EVERY MONTH!

1. **1st Prize** Bigger Prize
2. **2nd Prize** Medium Prize
3. **3rd Prize** Smaller Prize

More members = bigger prizes!

MONTHLY DRAW

LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Winners will be contacted and announced by the school.

SIGN UP TODAY!

IT'S EASY – JUST EMAIL US:

office@Stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk

Let's work together to support our school community!

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

GOOD LUCK – AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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