



**Learning Together to Achieve our Best
Stonesfield Primary School
Friday, 21st September 2018**

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday morning, Willow, Chestnut, Beech and Rowan classes performed a poem each to the rest of the school. Their performances and choice of poems was fantastic, with the children delivering the poem in unison complete with actions, intonation and changes in volume for dramatic effect. As I mentioned at the Meet the Teacher evening, developing and promoting oracy is going to be a priority this year. We will give children opportunities to do storytelling and debating as well focusing on improving the quality of language and discussion in the classroom.

Have a brilliant weekend and enjoy Septemberfest if you go!

Ben Trevail



Fantastic art work by Rowan class ninspired by *From a Railway Carriage* by Robert Louis Stephenson.

Attendance

Attendance across the school this week was a pleasing 96.7%. Well done to Willow class for having the highest attendance this week with 99.3% - an excellent achievement!

Class books

A big thank you to parents in Rowan class who have bought their children a copy of Cogheart, the class book. If you haven't bought a copy yet but would like one, nip along to the Woodstock Bookshop and say you're from Stonesfield School and they will offer the book at a discounted price of £5.50.

Forest School

Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 have all had a fantastic experience in Forest School this week.

Today at Forest School I made a saw-horse. I chopped some sticks and fixed them together with rope. I tied a clove-hitch knot to the sticks and did some "square lashing" to make it strong. Here is a picture of me sawing some wood on my saw-horse! Chloe, Beech.



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School Photographs

Your child's proof photograph has been sent home today. Please return any orders to the school office by Thursday 4th October 2018

Plea from Early Years Class

We would be grateful for any donation of the following items; girl's socks, girls' pants, boys' trousers, boys T-shirts age 5ish and plastic bags.

Mrs Ede

Residentials

The Year 5 residential trip is to Stratford-upon-Avon, from 12th - 14th June 2019. The children will be staying at the stunning YHA Hemingford House in Alveston. The cost of the trip will be confirmed to you at a later date, but based on previous years, we expect it to be in the region of £170. The Year 6 residential for 2019 will take place between 4th and 8th November at a cost of £325. We recognise that the combined cost of these residentials is a significant amount of money. You are welcome to start paying in instalments at the school office in cash or cheques made out to OCC.

Harvest Festival

Parents and carers are warmly welcome to join us for our annual Harvest celebration on Wednesday 10th October at 2.30pm. There will be a produce stall in aid of Cecily's Fund after school so we would welcome contributions of perishable and non-perishable produce; please bring these to school on Wednesday morning.

FoSS News:

Septemberfest, Saturday 22nd September 2018

Please don't forget to come and see us at the Septemberfest (from 5.30 pm) on our hot chocolate/tuck shop stall.

FoSS AGM, Thursday 11th October 2018, 8pm

FoSS will be holding their AGM at the White Horse on Thursday 11th October, from 8pm. Please do try to make the meeting as we will need a minimum of 10 people present in order to form a new Committee. If anyone is interested in joining the Committee, or would like information on volunteering to help out at events please email Caroline on caroline.sutton2@btinternet.com. You do not need to be on the Committee to attend the AGM, or to help out at events.

Dates for your diary (watch this space for more information)

Halloween Disco - Friday 19th October, 2018

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 10th November, 2018

Many thanks from the FoSS Team

Community News

Stonesfield Septemberfest 2018!

On Saturday 22nd of September, Stonesfield's family-friendly beer and music festival returns. The fun starts at **12noon, at Stonesfield playing field**. Attractions will include: artisan food; children's activities, a glittering champagne tent, a genteel tea tent serving delicious home-made cakes and of course, a marquee full of the finest beers and ciders known to humanity.

There will be live music to suit all tastes - two stages will host an exciting line-up of bands playing everything from folk to jazz to indie music. Bands include Dover - featuring Mrs Ede's son Adam, former Stonesfield Primary School pupil Alfie Stone, and their friend Blake, who will play at 2pm on the New Talent Stage! Another former Stonesfield Primary School pupil will be performing at the event with his band Paper Airplanes. Other bands include North Parade (runners up in this year's Isle of Wight Festival New Blood Competition), Oxford blues and jazz group The Original Rabbit Foot Spasm Band, folk duo Henderson Hooper and The Village Idiots.

All proceeds will be split between two fantastic charities - Alzheimer's Research UK and Dogs for Good

Kidscape 9-11: Stand strong against bullying

Oxfordshire's Anti-Bullying Strategy are delighted to be working in partnership with Kidscape to provide two free Anti-Bullying workshops for children aged 9-11 and their parents and carers. These workshops teach practical assertiveness skills so that children are able deal with bullying situations effectively. The workshops include bullying awareness and building confidence & self-esteem. The workshops are held on 9th October at Exeter Hall, Kidlington during the school day. Please speak to the office if you are interested in booking a place. You would need to make your own travel arrangements.

Dates for the diary – more dates on the school website calendar

Monday 1st -5th October	Yenworthy Year 6 Residential	
Thursday 4th October	Birdland Visit at Bourton on the Water	Willow and Chestnut classes
Wednesday 10th October	Harvest Festival	2.30pm
Tuesday 16th October	Parents Evening	3.30pm to 7pm
Wednesday 17th October	Parents Evening	3.30pm 5.30pm
Friday 19th October	Last day of term 1	
Monday 29th October	Inset Day	Children not in School
Tuesday 30th October	Term 2 start	
Thursday 8th November	Nasal Flu Vaccination Reception to Year 5	This is a change of date was originally Monday 1st October
Wednesday, 14th November	Book at Bedtime and Parent Workshop	Children are invited to come into school in their PJs and bring a mug in for hot chocolate and listen to a bedtime story

I give permission for my childto attend **Wednesday Multi Skills Club – Reception to Year3**

Signed by parent/carer: Date: Contact No.

At the end of the afternoon:

My child has permission to go home alone

I will collect my child

My child will go home with (name of adult)

I give permission for my childto attend **Thursday Football Club – Year 4 - 6**

Signed by parent/carer: Date: Contact No.

At the end of the afternoon:

My child has permission to go home alone

I will collect my child

My child will go home with (name of adult)

I give permission for my childto attend **Thursday Woolly Club – Year 1 - 6**

Signed by parent/carer: Date: Contact No.

At the end of the afternoon:

My child has permission to go home alone

I will collect my child

My child will go home with (name of adult)

I give permission for my childto attend **Forest School Club on Mondays**
from 24th September to 5th November, from 3.15-5.00pm. This club is open to Years 2-6 only

Signed by parent/carer: Date:

At the end of the afternoon:

My child has permission to go home alone

I will collect my child

Medical conditions and allergies

Parent/carer contact number

My child will go home with (name of adult)

I enclose payment of £40 for 5 weeks