



NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 2



STOKE HEATH PRIMARY
SCHOOL

HEADS NEWS

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy month we have had. The children have been working very hard to settle into their new year groups and have been producing some amazing work. I have given so many Headteacher stickers out already I will need to buy some more!

We are really proud of our enrichment offer and I hope you have had chance to look at the newsletter to see what is going on. On Monday we will be voting for the House Captains for 2023/24!

We have received a number of holiday requests over the last month. While I understand that the cost of holidays is significantly different in term time I am not able to authorise holidays. The local authority have really tightened up their role with attendance and schools are being monitored more closely regarding such things as holiday request, which means we are expected to issue a fine. Please keep this in mind when booking a holiday.

I hope you have a lovely weekend!

Miss Kelman

DATES FOR THE DIARY

4TH OCTOBER

Dol-y-Moch Parent Meeting

10TH OCTOBER

Year 2 Trip to Mosque

13TH OCTOBER

School Photo Day

17TH OCTOBER

Early Years Reading Workshop

18TH OCTOBER

Year 1 & 2 Reading Workshop

19TH OCTOBER

Year 3 & 4 Reading Workshop

20TH OCTOBER

Year 5 & 6 Reading Workshop

25TH OCTOBER

Year 4 Trip to Hindu Temple
Parent's Evening
Last Day of the Half Term

27TH OCTOBER

Teacher Training Day

6TH NOVEMBER

Children Return to School

After School Clubs

Clubs have started again this week, they have all ran smoothly please see below the timetable with the finishing times as there has been some confusion this week.

As the clubs are so popular, we are asking that if your child does not want to go to the club, please let us know so the place can be allocated to someone else. Likewise, if your child misses three sessions in a row we will allocate their place to someone else.

If you have any questions on clubs please speak to the office.

Mon	Dance Years 1 to 3 4.00pm	Girls Multi Sports Years 5 to 6 4.15pm	Arts and Craft Reception 4.00pm	Multi-sports Years 1 to 2 4.15pm	Scratch Code Club Years 4 to 6 4.00pm
Tues	Dance Years 3 to 6 4.15pm	Football Years 1 and 2 4.15pm	Instruments Years 3 to 6 4.15pm		
Wed	Multi-sports Reception 4.15pm	School Football Team 4.30pm			
Thurs	Dodgeball Year 3 to 6 4.00pm	Basketball Year 5 to 6 4.15pm	KS2 Football 4.15pm	Art & craft Year 3 to 6 4.00pm	
Fri	Multi-sports Year 3 and 4 4.15pm		Art & Craft Year 1 - 2 4.00pm	Match Days	

Reading at Stoke Heath

Supporting your child with reading

Although your child will be taught to read at school, you can have a huge impact on their reading journey by continuing their practice at home. If children complete their planners, then they can get rewards throughout the year. Please support children with reading at home and make sure books are kept in good condition. If books are damaged, then we have to replace them and this money could be spent on more books for the pupils.

Reception and Key Stage One

There are two types of reading book that your child will bring home:

A reading practice book. This will be at the correct phonic stage for your child. They should be able to read this fluently and independently.

A sharing book. Your child will not be able to read this on their own. This book is for you both to read and enjoy together.

Reading practice book

This book has been carefully matched to your child's current reading level. If your child is reading it with little help, please don't worry that it's too easy – your child needs to develop fluency and confidence in reading.

Listen to them read the book. Remember to give them lots of praise – celebrate their success! If they can't read a word, read it to them. After they have finished, talk about the book together.

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Sharing book

In order to encourage your child to become a lifelong reader, it is important that they learn to read for pleasure. The sharing book is a book they have chosen for you to enjoy together.

Please remember that you shouldn't expect your child to read this alone. Read it to or with them. Discuss the pictures, enjoy the story, predict what might happen next, use different voices for the characters, explore the facts in a non-fiction book. The main thing is that you have fun!



Reading Parent Workshops

Come and see our reading lessons and we will share ways you can support your child with reading at home. Lessons will start at 8:50am.

Tuesday 17th October - Reception classes

Wednesday 18th October - Year 1 and 2 classes

Thursday 19th October - Year 3 and 4 classes

Friday 20th October - Year 5 and 6 classes

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Push Chairs outside Nursery.

Please can we ask parents, that if you are leaving your child's pushchair outside nursery that you DO NOT leave it in the way of the door as this is a fire escape route.

Parents Evening

Parent's evening will be on Wednesday 25th October for all classes from NB to Year 6. A letter will be coming out next week with all of the details and how to book and the timings.

Willows

Opening times

7.45am to 8.45am - £4.50

3.15pm to 4.15pm - £4.50

3.15pm to 5.30pm - £7.50

4.15pm to 5.30pm - £5.00

If your child is in Willows and the gate is open for the other afterschool clubs, please buzz the intercom so the staff know you are here to collect your child.

Outdoor learning timetable

Outdoor learning is starting again this term!
Please see below for the days your child will be doing outdoor learning.

Children should wear their uniform and bring waterproofs to change into/put over what they are wearing. They should also bring either waterproof shoes such as wellington boots or an old pair of trainers which you do not mind getting muddy!

DATE	YEAR GROUP
13th September	Year 1
20th September	Year 2
27th September	Year 3
4th October	Year 4
11th October	Year 5
18th September	Year 6
25th September	Year 1