

March 2025

STOKE HILL INFANT AND NURSERY



DATES

3rd and 5th March
Parent teacher
interviews

6th March
World Book Day

7th March
Bee cake sale

w/b 10th March
Y1 class trips to Clip N
Climb

13th March
Beech class
Assembly

14th March
Woodpecker cake
sale

w/b 17th March
Nursery Explore and
Create Week

20th March
Oak class assembly

Red Nose Day
21st March

21st March
Chaffinch cake sale

24th March
ActivKids Olympic
Athlete visit

26th March
DWT Wildlife
Champions Day

27th Willow class
assembly

28th Willow cake sale

Last day of term
3rd April

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half term. What a busy first week back at the Infant and Nursery School! As you know, we welcomed Ofsted inspectors for two days last week. Thank you to all parents and carers who took time to talk to them or complete online feedback. As always, I was immensely proud of our amazing staff and children and look forward to sharing the report with you as soon as we can.

Also last week, Year 2 visited West Town Farm and Nursery and Reception had a visit from Really Wild Learning—you can see some pictures from these experiences on the next page and check out the dates box for this month's events..

You should have been able to book your Parents' Evening slot for the week ahead. If not, please contact the school office. Please respect appointment times and the 10 minute slots to help teachers stick to timetable.

Best wishes,

Claire McKimm

Head of School

Stars of the week



The following children have been their class's reader, role model or learner of the week during the last month:

Readers of the week: Riley, Viola, Ava (Bee), Skylar, TJ, Sylvie (Dragonfly), Harrison, Elizabeth, Emily (Ladybird), Martha, Thea, Imogen (Beech), Oscar, Lucy, Joy (Oak), Reiza, Rufus, Rona (Willow), Aron, Rithvi, Quin (Chaffinch), Nyah, Isaac, Yashvan (Swift), Antec, Ariadne, Roy-Nihal (Woodpecker)

Role models of the week: Bella, Harry, Tina (Bee), Connor, Matthew, Marlow (Dragonfly), Max, Elsie, Mason (Ladybird), Reuben, Oliver, Damon (Beech), Mohamed, Ayo, Percy (Oak), Yiya, Barnaby, Otto (Willow), Millie, Iliana, Oona (Chaffinch), Eid, Lucas, Edward (Swift), Ivy, Charlie, Zayan (Woodpecker)

Learners of the week: Erin, Tina, Phoebe (Bee), Lakely, Mae, Ananya (Dragonfly), Zaid, Tommy, Amelie (Ladybird), Jacob, Willow, Emery (Beech), Alfie, Caitriona, Evie (Oak), Lia, Callum, Julia (Willow), Skye, Cohen, Taleighea (Chaffinch), Luke, Sandra, Isadora (Swift), Frankie, Ellen, Avara (Woodpecker)

Parents' Evening and Educatering

We are working in partnership with Educatering to bring you the best school meals we can and at Parents' Evening today/Wednesday, you will get the chance to taste some of the food that'll be appearing on the school menu soon.



After you've met with your child's teacher, pop up to **the Hall** for some free samples. Educatering work across many Devon Schools and will work with Katie and her wonderful team to produce the delicious meals on the school site, with the aim of reducing waste, whilst ensuring all dietary needs are met. Myself and the Governing Body have already had a taste and you will not be disappointed.

Mental Health

This month in a bid to continue our support of mental health and well-being, we would like to draw your attention to the following video three video clip (2 mins) along with help cards that you may find useful.

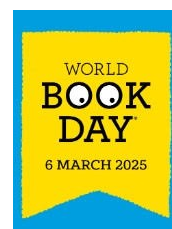
1. My child is feeling sad and low
2. Social media for primary aged children
3. Understanding shyness in children

Parenting Smart are a series of short videos and help cards that can be found at <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/> A full range can be found on our school website under the Mental Health tab.

Upcoming Dates

World Book Day– Thursday 6th March

It's not long until World Book Day. There are different activities the children will take part in during the day. If they would like to dress up and you are happy for them to do so, then this link may give you some ideas. <https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/> Your child(ren) should have brought home their voucher today.



Red Nose Day

Children can wear red to school on Friday 21st March in support of this charity. No money needs to be brought to school, but if you would like to support then you can go to the website and click on the donate tab: <https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday/>



School Office Notices

You will soon be receiving the new dinner menus and will be able to see some of the new and exciting foods that Educatering have been working on with our kitchen staff. As we move systems there may be a short delay in being able to order online, but don't worry children will still be able to make the choices in class if it's been a problem.

If you enter/exit the site during the school day, outside normal pick up and drop off times, please can I ask that you do your bit to safeguard our children by making sure the gate is shut behind you.



Really Wild Learning—Nursery and Reception



West Town Farm—Year 2 visit



World Book Day

Your child(ren) will bring home a free £1 book token which can be used to buy one of the special £1 World Book Day books. Here is this year's selection:

Our brilliant 2025 £1/€1.50 books



SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL NEEDED!



£12.26 PER HOUR

5 HOURS PER
WEEK

HOLIDAY PAY

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- EMAIL: CROSSINGPATROLS@DEVON.GOV.UK
- TEL: 01392 383000 AND ASK FOR SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL
- VISIT DEVON.CC/SCP