

# Stoke Prior Primary School



## Friday Newsletter 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025

**Evidence shows that good attendance is a key factor in enabling children to reach their potential. Parents are reminded that they should not book holidays in term time as this has a significant effect on a child's progress.**

**We have set our target this year at 97% again.**

*Attendance to date 97.63%.*

*We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and would like to wish our school community the very best for the year ahead.*

### *This week at school*

It's been a cold one outside, but lovely and warm in school! It has been so lovely to welcome all the children back to school and hear about their wonderful Christmas Holiday highlights. It's been full speed ahead with all our learning in class, and a return to routine for all of us. Unfortunately there was no Forest School this week, as it was too cold.

You may have noticed that our website looks slightly different. We are still doing some work on it, however you will still find all the information on our curriculum offering and what the children are learning, our policies and the calendar can be subscribed to. Parents and carers should have received an email from their child's teacher, signposting them to the information on the website about what the children will be learning this term.

Stay & Play is now available until 5pm. There is a new pricing structure in place, and children can stay for 1 hour, 1.5 hours or 2 hours.

We are also updating some of the admin bits - parental consents, contact details etc. The office will try not to bombard you, but it is important that we have all this information correct.

### *Looking ahead*

After school clubs begin next week. Please ensure you have paid for your child's club (if there is a cost attached). To view which club your child is in, go to the clubs section of the app and check under "enrolled". The clubs that are available, are those that are not fully subscribed. Should your child wish to take part in any of these clubs they can be enrolled in them still.

School Census is next Thursday - this happens once a term, when the DfE collect information from all schools. There is a special menu on Thursday from our caterers.

We will welcome a student teacher in Willow Class. Ms Owen will be with us until March. The class had an opportunity to meet her last term and we look forward to working with her.

### *Value of the Month*

Patience

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*Star of the week & Shield Winners*

### **Stars of the week**

10.01.2025 - Bella Burge, Mizzie, Millie, Jacob Hamer, Zac, Lilly, Austin M, Bobby W.

### **Shield**

10.01.2025 - Harrison Salkeld

*Please see the school calendar on the website for all the important dates.*

Messy church is on Thursday 16th January at Leominster Priory. Dates for the rest of the year are: February 13th and March 20th. It's free to come – donations are welcome. Children must bring an adult with them. New families are very welcome with children of any age. We'll be exploring a Bible story theme in lots of interactive ways - crafts, science activities, food activities and singing. We finish with a meal for everyone! 4-6pm or you can come straight from school. Contact [kathy@leominsterpriory.org.uk](mailto:kathy@leominsterpriory.org.uk) for more information.

**SPECIAL DAY**

January 16<sup>th</sup>  
Hotdog  
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Veggie Hotdog

Served with Chips, Baked Beans and Sweetcorn  
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Iced Vanilla Cake

A healthy food meal is important for children and young people to keep healthy and improve their performance

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