

Friday Newsletter 14th February 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 97.46%.

This week at school

It's lovely to welcome everyone back after our half term break, we do hope you all enjoyed it. Monkey Puzzle class did not go to Forest School this week, instead they had their Wednesday afternoon outside in the school grounds.

Looking ahead

Our year 1 & 2 children begin their swim lessons on Monday morning - so please remember those swim kits. Monkey Puzzle will not be going to Forest School for the next two weeks, as we feel it would be too much for the chidren on top of their swimming lessons. World Book Day is on Thursday and there will be plenty of book activities going on in school. However we are NOT dressing up on the day, as the swim lessons take place and we have a football tournament for a team from years 5 & 6. Our choir will be performing in the Herefordshire Performing Arts Festival next Friday. They have been practicing hard and Mrs Firth is very pleased with them all. As this is happening on Friday, we have decided not to begin Willow Class's series of Forest School sessions until March 14th. (The majority of the choir are in Willow Class)

Little Owls Playgroup

The Little Owls Playgroup started with gusto this morning. It was great to welcome so many young children with their parents and carers and we hope they enjoyed coming to our school as much as we enjoyed having them. A huge thanks to Ms Angell and Hayley and everyone else who helped get this off the ground. We hope this morning's success continues on and we will grow our Stoke Prior PS community. You will find us in Stoke Prior Primary School hall, every Friday morning 9:30-11:30. All 0-4 year olds and their parents are welcome to come and 'stay and play' and explore the activities we have in our wonderful outdoor area and large indoor space. Tea, coffee, cake, healthy snacks and crafts will be provided.

£2:50 for parent and child, £1 for every extra child. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help at the playgroup on an informal basis, please let Ms Angell know.



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World Book Day

The children should have a token towards a World Book Day book in their bag today. World Book Day is March 6th. Due to the activities on in school that day and the fact that we have children doing swim lessons, we will not be dressing up for World Book Day this year. There will of course be fun activities linked to books and reading in school on the day.

Request for resources

We would like some bricks to go around our fire pit at Forest School. Do you know someone who could make a gate? The gate in our Monkey Puzzle outdoor area is suffering the ill effects of old age. Could you please let Mrs Dawson know if you do. The gate is slightly smaller that the standard ones available online, it is 87cm wide and 90cm high.

Star of the week & Shield Winners

Stars of the week 28.02.2025 – Mizzie, Logan, Bobby K, Millie, Willow, Isaac O, Rosie, Ella **Shield** 28.02.2025 – Mizzie Haines

Please see the school calendar on the website for all the important dates. You can subscribed to get all dates directly to your calendar. <u>Calendar | Stoke Prior Primary School</u>

Value of the Month - Love

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