## St John's Stonefold Primary School Newsletter Friday 27 June 2025

At St John's Stonefold Primary School, we reflect many Christian Values. We also focus on our 'Core Values' of *Empathy, Aspiration, Generosity, Love and Endurance*.

Our School Motto is based on Ephesians 3: 17-19, 'Rooted and Established in God's Love: Nurture, Grow, Fly'

### Dear Parents/Carers

What an absolutely wonderful week we've had here at St John's Stonefold! I'm delighted to share some of the fantastic experiences our children have enjoyed and the brilliant progress we're making as a school community.

Avocet class had the most amazing trip to the farm this week, and I have to say, the excitement was infectious! Watching our children's faces light up as they met the animals and learned about farm life was truly heartwarming. These hands-on experiences are so valuable for our young learners, bringing their classroom learning to life in the most engaging way possible. The children returned full of stories and new knowledge, and I know they'll be talking about this adventure for weeks to come.

Meanwhile, our Key Stage 1 children have been showcasing their competitive spirit and teamwork skills at the Animal Olympics. The energy and enthusiasm they displayed was absolutely fantastic to witness. It's moments like these that remind me why I love working in primary education – seeing children challenge themselves, support their classmates, and celebrate each other's achievements is what makes our school such a special place.

I'm particularly proud of our Year 5 and 6 children who are working incredibly hard preparing for their end of year performance. The dedication they're showing during rehearsals is remarkable, and I can already tell this is going to be something truly special. Their commitment to getting every detail right demonstrates the wonderful work ethic our older children develop during their time with us.

I'm also thrilled to report that our attendance has improved significantly this week. This is such positive news and reflects the commitment of our families to ensuring children don't miss out on their learning opportunities. Every day in school matters, and it's wonderful to see this improvement.

I do need to share some bittersweet news with you all. Mrs Yasmin will be finishing her placement with us this week, and while we're sad to see her go; however, we are absolutely delighted that she's secured a teaching position for September. She's been such a valuable addition to our team, and our children have benefited enormously from her enthusiasm and expertise. I know you'll join me in wishing her every success in her new role.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school community.

### **Mr Burns**

Headteacher

# Parking - Please Park Safely so that our children are safe.



Just a reminder to politely request that parents park carefully, legally and safely around school at busy times. So that we are good neighbours, please make sure that you do not park in the lane next to school, the houses at the back of school need access to their properties at all times.



In the last few weeks, you will have noticed an increased presence of parking wardens, PCSOs and Police around school to monitor parking. This isn't to catch anyone out but simply to keep our children safe. Please can I ask again that you do not park on the yellow lines around school and be very

mindful of the children when you are arriving at, and leaving school.

Working together, we can keep our children safe and ensure that everyone is keeping the welfare of all pedestrians at the forefront of their minds. Thank you.



**TIES** —If anyone needs a spare tie or loses a tie — ties are on sale in the office — PLEASE BRING CASH. The price is as follows:

**Elastic Ties = £3.99 (recommended for KS1)** 

Clip on Ties = £4.99 (recommended for KS2)



**REMINDER: FOODBANK** -We have a foodbank collection point in the front entrance, please do make donations as you are able, these will be collected and distributed via St James' Church. If you are struggling at all with the cost of living and providing food at home, please get in touch – we are able to refer our parents to the foodbank.

### **ECO CLUB NEWS: THE VOTE OPENED ON TUESDAY 1 APRIL:**

We have exciting news – Once again, our ECO Team have been successful in their application to be a part of the *Tesco Tokens Scheme*, if you remember in 2023 we were also successful in our bid and received £500. School will again have the opportunity to have a customer vote in both Haslingden and Rawtenstall Tescos. Voting will start in April so we are asking if you can support us and put any blue

tokens collected in our section of the stand so that we have

We need you

either Haslingden or Rawtenstall Tesco – please bring any blue tokens into school and we will ensure they are taken to the correct store to vote. We have 3 days left to go!!

Our school project this time is entitled: Forest School and Eco Area, and focuses on improving our outdoor environment with school developing a Forest School/ECO area that the children can use and as in previous years the children hopefully growing some fruit and vegetables for the school and local community. The first prize is £1500, second prize is £1000 and third prize is £500.

<u>Voting will commence in store from the first week of April 2025 until the end of June 2025</u>. We would love it if you could help us to win the top prize – thank you in anticipation of your support!!



Forest School

On Friday 4 July – from 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm. We are having a summer fair!! All funds raised will go towards our forest school area.

Please reserve the date!!



#### Time for Reflection

Dear Lord.

Use my eyes to see new friends.

Open my mind to learn new things.

Let my heart remember you are near.

Help me to love others like you do.

Let your light shine brightly in this school.

Amen

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CLASSES	SOAR AT STONEFOLD  (Do Your Best/Respect Others/Make Good Choices/Be  Thankful)  Jacob & Clayton	The School's Attendance Target is 96% 94.7%	
AVOCET	Jaxon & Oscar	98.8%	
GOLDCREST	Safa & Maya	97.31%	
LAPWING	James & Luca	96.15%	
EAGLE	Georgia & Mariyam	96.07%	
This week's Value Award — Quality: GENEROSITY			
EAGLETS	Harriet always goes above and beyond to look after her friends!		
AVOCET	Isla always gives with a kind heart. She goes out of their way to include others, to share without expecting anything in return, and to lift people up with kind words and actions. Her thoughtfulness and selflessness make our classroom and school a better place for everyone.		
GOLDCREST	Myles has shown true generosity by thinking of others while learning a new skill.  During sewing, he chose to make a special pouch—not for himself, but as a kind gift for his sister. His thoughtful gesture and willingness to give show the caring and generous spirit we value so much. Well done, Myles!		
LAPWING	Haniya for being generous with her help and support of others. You can be relied upon to willingly help others when needed without fussing. You thoughtfully think of others in a positive way and encourage and celebrate everybody's achievements.		
EAGLE	Alice you are our generosity winner this week! You are so thoughtful and considerate when it comes to our classroom. You always offer to help. You are always thinking of others and your enthusiasm to help is wonderful! Thank you for being so generous! Well done!		

Team Points Winner this week	BLOSSOM	M
Class Attendance Winners this week	AVOCET	Great
		Jobi

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY				
Dates	<u>Time</u>	Event		
Tuesday 1 July	2.45 pm	YEAR 6 BLACKBURN CATHEDRAL		
Wednesday 2 July		CHOIR EVENT AT BURNLEY – Mrs Burrow		
Thursday 3 July	Am	TRANSITION MORNING AT STONEFOLD		
Friday 4 July	2.30 pm – 4.00 pm	SUMMER FAIR		
Monday 7 July	All day	LAPWING SCHOOL TRIP TO MARTIN MERE		
Tuesday 8 July	2.45 PM	GUITAR CONCERT for parents of children who are learning guitar with Create Music		
Wednesday 9 July	1.30 pm	YEAR 5 & 6 SHOW -		
Thursday 10 July	6.00 pm	YEAR 5 & 6 SHOW		
Friday 11 July		NON UNIFORM – WEAR BLUE FOR NHS		
Thursday 17 July	9.00 am	WHOLE SCHOOL AWARDS ASSEMBLY – (INSTEAD OF FRIDAY)		
Thursday 17 July	5.00 pm	YEAR 6 LEAVERS PARTY AT SCHOOL		
Friday 18 July	9.00 am	YEAR 6 LEAVERS ASSEMBLY – For Year 6 parents and carers only		
Friday 18 July	1.30 pm	LAST DAY – FINISH EARLY 1.30pm FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS!!		
PLEASE NOTE THAT NEW DATES MAY BE ADDED TO THIS LIST				

School Vision: Our vision is to live and grow together as a loving church school family, who celebrate one another's individuality. Built upon our shared Christian values, St John's provides our children with teaching of a bespoke and innovative curriculum, empowering them to flourish with the knowledge and skills for life. From our vision, we inspire our children to have uncompromising aspirations and to thrive and succeed.