



Little Stoke Primary School

February 2025

Key Dates:

Friday 7th March – World Book Day

Monday 10th – Friday 14th March – Year 6 swimming (pm)

Friday 14th March – Comic Relief (Red Nose Day) – be raising money again; children can choose to come in non-uniform, challenge is to wear something red (£1 donation to comic relief)

Friday 28th March – FOLS Easter Fair (3:30 – 5pm)

Tuesday April 1st – KS2 production: Wizard of Oz – 2pm and 5pm

Wednesday April 2nd – KS2 production: Wizard of Oz – 5pm

Thursday 3rd April - last day of term 4

Friday 4th April – INSET day, school closed to pupils

Monday April 14th to Thursday April 17th – Bristol Sport Foundation Holiday Camp (Information poster at bottom of this newsletter)

Tuesday 22nd April – Start of term 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the mixed weather, we have had a very positive start to term 4. The classes who have forest school this term have continued the hard work of caring for our forest area by spreading a fresh carpet of chippings – this makes this learning area so much more accessible. The first signs of spring are starting to make an appearance in our outdoor areas as the trees begin to bloom. I feel so lucky that our children are able to observe these changes first hand as they experience the outside spaces we have here at Little Stoke Primary.

Thank you to all parents and carers for attending parents' evening meetings. These meetings are an opportunity for parents and carers to see the progress the children are making. If you haven't been able to attend any of the organised meetings, please contact the school to organise a time to meet with your child's teacher.

We have a number of events coming up this term, please see our key dates section for important dates for the diary. For news and updates, please keep an eye on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/littlestokeprimary>). Please note we are no longer using X (formerly Twitter) as a social media platform due to the removal of comment moderation.

Best wishes,

Mr Dan Ross – Headteacher
Facebook: @littlestokeprimary
www.littlestokeps.co.uk



SEND Updates

Thank you to those parents who made an appointment to see Mrs Sutton (SENCO) as part of the parents' evening events. Also, to those who attended the most recent parent and carers event lead in term 3 by Daria (Education Mental Health Practitioner – further information can be found further in this newsletter).

If you have a concern about your child's needs, please make an appointment to speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Some highlights from Little Stoke Primary Face Book
(<https://www.facebook.com/littlestokeprimary>)

A huge thank you to these amazing Year 6 pupils for looking after the forest and to **Ford Treescapes** for the chippings



We kicked off **#ChildrensMentalHealthWeek** with the **Place2Be** assembly looking at this year's theme: **Here4You**. Children will be undertaking class activities linked to this theme.



Thank you to Fab and Luis at **Pizza Express**, Cribbs Causeway, for hosting our Year 5 class. As well as travelling sustainably, using public transport, the children made Margherita pizzas and learnt about the history of the Margherita pizza.



FOLS

(Friends Of Little Stoke)



All FOLS event information can be found on the “Little Stoke Primary Parents Info Group”.

There is also a WhatsApp Group, which you can join by scanning the QR code above.

Meet Your Educational Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP)...

Daria

Hi I'm Daria (she/her) from the Mental Health Support Team. I'll be working at your school each week, say hello next time you see me!



Starting from this term I will be working at Little Stoke Primary every Tuesday. I am going to be supporting students with anxiety, low mood, and other struggles with wellbeing. I will be using a type of therapy called low-intensity Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT). The support I will be offering will include:

- Working with students on a 1-1 basis to show them ways that they can take care of their mental health.
- Working with parents to give them new ideas for supporting their child's mental health.
- Supporting a 'whole-school approach' to Mental Health, supporting student wellbeing by delivering group workshops, creating resources and lots more!

If you think your child could benefit from some support please speak to a member of staff in school, they will reach out to me and we can discuss how we can best help you. If we can help, we will arrange a 'meet and greet' session, where I can tell you a little bit more about the support I can offer.

FREE Triple P and Stepping Stones Parenting Programmes



Parenting is one of the hardest jobs in the world - our free parenting courses are designed to support parents to be the best they can be

Our regular 6 week programmes will not tell you how to parent, but give you a toolbox of ideas to improve your confidence in:

The staff are amazing!
Friendly, great communication and make you feel at ease."

- Boundaries
- Routines
- Behaviour management techniques
- Looking after yourself as a parent



Our programmes are:

- Free to access
- For parents of children aged 0-12
- Run by professionals with SEN Experience
- Friendly and Non judgemental
- A chance to meet like minded people who understand your situation
- Flexible - run across the year, at different venues across South Gloucestershire, with day, evening and online options to attend

"We've seen a huge improvement in our confidence as parents. Since implementing strategies learned on the course, our family life is much calmer and happier."

For more information, get in touch via family.referrals@ccp.org.uk, or to book a place please scan the QR code





HOLIDAY CAMPS

Open to children in Reception to Year 6, our holiday camps offer a variety of sporting opportunities throughout the school holidays. With an emphasis on inclusivity, high activity levels and fun, they provide a perfect environment for children to fall in love with sport and enjoy being active.

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Easter Holidays

Monday, April 14th to Thursday, April 17th (4 days).

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

£19.00 per day (£75 for all four days).

Join us for NERF Day on Thursday, April 17th.

Children from all schools are welcome to attend.

Remember to provide your child with a packed lunch for the day.

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