



Hope, Honesty, Respect, Forgiveness, Perseverance, Friendship

## June 2024 Newsletter



I would like to inform you that through incredible hard work and the curriculum provision we have now gained the BERT Gold Award for Building Effective Relationships Together. This celebrates and joins together all the work we do in the teaching of PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) and RSE (Relationship and Sex Education) Miss Austin who is the RSE lead has been instrumental in ensuring that we have met all the criteria. The assessors spent the afternoon in school speaking with staff, looking through books and speaking with groups of children. They were extremely positive about what they saw and the practice that happens across the school. We are one of 4

schools across the whole of Derbyshire who have achieved the award so as you can see we are incredibly proud.

### **Curriculum Show case;**

This term we have had a focus on design technology as well as art work. Year 4 Pupils have made some incredible Dragon Eyes from Clay. Year 5 have been designing and making roller coasters and Year 2 Have been designing and making greenhouses.





Look at these amazing Dragon Eyes!



### **Staffing:**

We have been successful and recruited a new caretaker to join our caretaking team. Darren Armstrong will start the week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> June. I know you will give him a warm St Oswald's Welcome. Miss Austin has now left and is commencing her maternity leave. We look forward to hearing her baby news soon.

### **Attendance:**

Updates on Attendance. Thank you for the feedback we have received regarding attendance and developing a reward system. The following ideas have been suggested; A Bronze, silver, gold approach to rewarding children. Additional playtime for most improved attendance or 98%+ attendance. Half termly trips to the park. Activity afternoons, etc... We will be reviewing the policy next half term in reparation of the updates from the DFE which we expect in August. These will be shared next term.

The Attendance page on the school website is useful.

### **Uniform:**

Please label every item of your child's uniform. If they lose an item of uniform and it is not found in the classroom or cloakroom, we have a lost property box near the office. Children can come and look in the box at playtime or lunch time, or parents can look before or after school.

**PE Kits Key Stage 2**; Please can you ensure that children come to school in the appropriate PE attire. We do not have School PE tracksuits to purchase as they are too expensive; it is much more reasonable to purchase black/navy leggings or tracksuit bottoms from Amazon/Asda/Tesco. Please also ensure that your child wears the school PE T- shirt and the School hoody.

**Staying Safe** is paramount and we have a duty of care to ensure that all our children stay safe both inside school and outside school. As we know Safeguarding is everybody's business.

A reminder that gates will remain closed on the playground until 8.30am.

**Staying Healthy;** Hooray the sun is bringing to show and it is warming up. We put up the sun shades on the playground this week. Please ensure your child has a hat in school and comes to school with sun screen on to help protect them. We encourage the children to drink regularly during the day so they do not dehydrate.

**Governors;**

Further information about our Governing Board can be found on the school website. We would like to welcome a New Governor to our Governing Board- Bradley Redfern. Welcome aboard!



**Contacting Staff;**

If you wish to contact a member of staff please do so by contacting the School office and they will pass your email or phone message to your child's respective teacher.

**Future dates;**

All our dates and events can be found on the website. We have added onto the website the term dates for the rest of this academic year and for 2023-2024. [download.asp](https://stoswaldschool.co.uk/download.asp) ([stoswaldschool.co.uk](https://stoswaldschool.co.uk))

3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Multiplication Test Week for Year 4
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Multiplication Test Week for Year 4 Phonics Screening Test Week for Year 1
14 <sup>th</sup> June	Father's day service
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Sports Day for Juniors am

	Sports day for EYFS and Infants pm
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve date; Sports Day Juniors am Reserve date; Sports Day Infant pm
28 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS and Key Stage 1 Sponsored Walk Year 6 trip to Magna
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Transition days- children with their new teachers
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Transition days- children with their new teachers
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition days- children with their new teachers
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Key Stage 2 Sponsored walk Sleepover; Year 2 and Year 3 pupils
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 trip to the Seaside 'Llandudno'
17 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS trip to Matlock Farm park
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Performance 'Pantastic' performed to the parents