

## THE STONEHENGE

## SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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	lssue No. 26 10th May 2024	
JPCOMING DATES MAY	Jake Swinscoe A Celebra	tion of his Life
hurs 9th - Thurs 20th /ear 11 GCSE Exams Sun 12th - Fri 17th	Many of you may have already seen the on social media. Please see the detai family, for the service of celebr	ls below, provided by the
ncelli Residential Trip Wed 15th .ife of Pi Theatre Trip	The family of Jake will be celebrating his life by holding an informal service at Salisbury crematorium on Friday 17th May @ 3pm.This will be followed by a private function at The Rose and Crown pub in	
Fri 17th arly closure at 12.15 pm	Bulford. All who knew and loved Jake are more th	nan welcome to attend. The
	dress code is casual ,Jake would not h being miserable in black, but he did r something pale blue , i	equest that guests wear
	Please come and share your stories and we would love to hear them and celeb together.	
	Family flowers only , but donations can b <u>Heroes</u> , if wishe	

#### ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SCHOOL DAY, 17TH MAY 2024

As a mark of respect to Jake and his family and to allow all to attend, who wish to do so, we will be closing the school at 12.15 pm.

Jake's cortege will be coming through the school at approximately 2.15 pm and we wish to invite any pupils who would like to line the route to join us at 2.00 pm in the Sports Centre in order to coordinate the arrangements. Students may wish to attend in uniform or in an item of light blue clothing as of the parent's request.

Further details of the day will be sent out via ClassCharts.



Thank you for your patience whilst I've been busy re-arranging dates for training leading up to the practice and final expeditions.

As explained in my previous announcement, we have managed to secure the support of Wiltshire Council's Outdoor Education team in order to ensure the planned expeditions go ahead. The following dates ensure that the training leader is available, along with staff from the school. They have been difficult to secure so we won't be able to change them. The training dates and topics are as follows: Monday 20th May - Stoves, tents and kit training

Tuesday 4th June - Practical navigation (map, compass, relocation skills)

Monday 10th June - First aid basics and emergency procedures -(w/b 17th June - rest week + chance for students to get ready and ask questions to prepare etc)

#### Practice expedition - 21st to 23rd June

Monday 24th June - potential session to review practice and make adjustments etc. The decision about whether this extra session is needed will be made after the practice expedition. (W/B 1st July - rest week and a chance for students to get ready and ask questions to prepare etc.)

#### Assessed expedition - 5th to 7th July

Most of the training sessions will take place within the school, either in classrooms or on the grounds. The navigation session will involve a short drive away from school to practise the skills they've been taught. Transportation will be organised by the school. Sessions will start at 3:00PM and will be finished by 4:30PM.

I appreciate that the practice expedition takes place during Year 10 exam time, but unfortunately this is the only time the qualified leader can lead the practice expedition.

## PLAYHENGE 17 MAY - 4 JUNE

Let your imagination run wild as we construct an amazing adventure playground at Stonehenge with Woodland Tribe. In this exciting event, hammers, saws and nails will be handed over to children and their adults to build

the play structure of their dreams using natural materials. Come and learn more about the construction techniques used to build Stonehenge, as well as the vision, design and spirit of collaboration required to build something monumental.

• Please note: there will be no sessions on Thursday 23rd and Thursday 30th May.

• Playhenge is suitable for ages 4+. Children must be accompanied by an adult (minimum of one accompanying adult per three children).

• The event requires pre-booking as capacities are limited.

• Playhenge is an immersive, fun activity lasting approximately 50 minutes. Please arrive 15 minutes ahead of your chosen timeslot.



the nature of the activity, this event may be noisy. Ear defenders will be available to borrow.



#### STUDENT LOCKERS

#### GREEN/RED/BLUE

All lockers need to be emptied and keys returned to the main Reception desk. All these lockers will not be in use after May half term. You will be issued a new locker in Upper School.

## YELLOW LOCKERS

Will be relocated, you will need to empty them allowing premises staff to easily move them.



Thank you



### SPORTS RESULTS

On Thursday 26th April Miss Brewer and Mrs Moran had the pleasure of bringing a group of year 7 and 8 girls to a touch rugby tournament in Melksham. With lots of excitement on the bus on the way there we knew we were in for a fun filled day! The girls definitely didn't disappoint with both high intensity and great sportsmanship shown throughout the tournament. Was a fantastic day and both myself and Mrs Moran couldn't be prouder. Well Done to the following girls:



Last Tuesday The Stonehenge school took a mixed year 9 team to compete in the South West Touch to Twickenham event that was held at Chippenham RFC. It was great to see large numbers of students trialling to make the squad for the event and made my decision to pick a team very difficult. Our team soon got into the swing of the event and started working well as a team. Unfortunately, a few disallowed tries stopped us from winning some of the final points of some of the games. As we progressed into the afternoon heats it was fantastic to see the team take some risk and have fun with some of the things they were trialing. Unfortunately, we didn't come away with the tournament win and wont be progressing on to the next round. Nether the less, what an amazing show of resilience, skill and determination by those who took part. Well done year 9 mixed touch team!

# FabulousFabulousFamily Fun Day 10FREESALISBURY RUGBY CLUBENTRY!

**IOTH ANNIVERSAR** 

## Saturday 11th May, 12 noon - 9.30pm

BEER FESTIVAL . LIVE MUSIC . PIMMS & PROSECCO . STREET FOOD . FOOTBALL AND TOUCH RUGBY . GRAND RAFFLE . CIRCUS WESSEX .

**\*NEW FOR 2024**\* PERFORMANCE ARENA FEATURING PHOENIX STARS AND OTHER ACTS









# Can you help with the next show?

We are looking to raise the funds needed to produce our next school show. Should you be able to assist us with any financial or material donations (paint/timber) we would love to hear from you.

> Please email Mr Wood woods@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk



## May 2024 Newsletter



CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers. National Standards CPD accredited sessions All sessions booked & delivered online via facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Thursday 2 May

19:00 - 21:00 £24

> Monday 13 May

19:00 - 21:00 £24



## **Anxiety Explained**

Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.

## Autism: Improving Communication

Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.

Monday 20 May

19:00 - 21:00 £24

Tuesday

21 May

19:00 - 21:00 £24



Understanding the Teenage Brain

Improve your understanding and communication with your teen. Why they think, feel and behave very differentlky from adults.

## **Raising Self-Esteem**



How to support healthy self-esteem in your children and yourself. Easy to apply interventions shared.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk.

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

## The Class of 2024

## THE STONEHENGE SCHOOL





July 5th | 7:00 - 11:00 PM The Stones Hotel



Dresses, dances, <u>photobooth</u>, food & dazzle

TICKET WILL BE PRICED AT APPROXIMATELY £35 PER STUDENT (TBC). WITH A 50% REDUCTION IF YOUR CHILD IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROM PASSPORT

## **STAFF VACANCIES**

## **Exam Invigilators**

Scale B point 2, £11.59 per hour (pending pay award)

We require additional Exam Invigilators to work with us at The Stonehenge School. We are looking for enthusiastic and supportive individuals to work varied hours during the school day, mainly during GCSE exam periods but also covering internal and modular exams throughout the year. Must be available to work from 8.30 am to cover morning exams.

This is an open vacancy we are always looking to increase our team of invigilators, therefore, please submit your application form as soon as possible.

Applications to be returned to Mrs D Harker, Headteacher's P.A. at The Stonehenge School, Holders Road, Amesbury, Wilts SP4 7PW. Tel: 01980 623407 or e-mail: <u>admin@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk</u>