



THE STONEHENGE

SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES

JANUARY

Thurs 9th
Theatre Trip 'Hairspray'
Years 9, 10 & 11

Thurs 16th
Year 8 HPV 1 Vaccination

Thurs 16th
Yr 8, Disneyland parents
meeting 5.00 - 5.30 in Atrium

Fri 17th
National Gallery Trip
Year 11

Mon 20th
JET students to Winchester
Science Museum

Mon 20th- Fri 24th
Yr 10 Re-teach week

Thurs 23rd
Year 11 Parent's Evening



Headteacher's message

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable holiday period and are ready for the exciting opportunities this new term will bring. We are looking forward to working together to ensure 2025 is a successful and positive year for all our students.

Reinforcing Our High Standards

At The Stonehenge School, we pride ourselves on maintaining strong expectations for behaviour and presentation, which play a vital role in creating a focused and respectful learning environment. This term, we will be reinforcing our uniform policy to ensure consistency across the school.

Key points to be aware of:

- Nose piercings and excessive jewellery are not permitted.
- Pupils must wear their blazer at all times (not just a jumper).
- Black socks must be worn with the uniform

Staff will be monitoring uniform closely, and any breaches will result in consequences as outlined in our Behaviour Policy. We ask for your continued support in helping your child meet these expectations.

Managing Cold Weather

We've certainly had a chilly start to the year! I want to reassure you that our estate management team works hard to ensure our site is gritted and safe from a health and safety perspective. However, when we face snow or severe weather, we must also consider the safety of students and staff traveling to and from school.

So far, we've been able to open as normal, but should we need to make adjustments, such as opening late or closing altogether, we will communicate this via the following:

- A pop-up notification on our school website.
- A message via ClassCharts.

Please check these two platforms in the morning if the weather looks concerning.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to a productive term ahead.

C A Dean

Congratulations to Our Young Chefs!

ROTARY YOUNG CHEF COMPETITION

A huge congratulations to Emily, Ellie, Brooklyn, Poppy, and Grace for their fantastic efforts in the Young Chef competition last night! Their hard work and creativity shone through, impressing not only us but also the two professional chefs from Forking Out, a local catering business.

We are thrilled to share that both Grace and Emily have made it through to the next round, taking place at the end of the month—well done to them!

The chefs were so impressed with our students and facilities that they have offered to return to Stonehenge School to deliver masterclasses and provide work experience opportunities for Year 10 students later this year.

A special thank you to our amazing Art and Tech Department and site staff for their support, especially Mrs. Cable, who played a key role in making this event such a success.

We are so proud of our students and excited for the opportunities this has created for them!



STAFF VACANCIES

Further details and an application form for all our vacancies can be found on our website via the following link - <https://www.stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk/vacancies/>

Site Operative

Salary: Support staff grade E £25,183 - £25,992 per annum with 26 days holiday to be taken in school holidays

Hours are to be discussed with the successful candidate but would be 37 per week, working Monday - Friday

The post will be effective as soon as possible

This is a permanent position

This position will remain open until filled

We are seeking to recruit a reliable, enthusiastic, and efficient Site Operative to join our Site Team to be responsible for maintaining our school premises.

You will support the Premises Manager to keep the school a safe and engaging environment for our students to learn in. This will involve carrying out both reactive and planned maintenance tasks.

Teaching Assistants

Required as soon as possible

31 hours per week/39 working weeks per year (including all 5 TD Days)

Permanent Contract

Monday - Friday 8.30am -3.00pm, (30 minutes unpaid lunch)

+ 1 hour after school club each week

Grade E, points 6-8 (Actual salary (£18,148 - £18,731))

Due to staff progression and increase in pupil numbers, we are looking to recruit enthusiastic people to become an essential part of the Teaching Assistant team here at The Stonehenge School.

The role requires you to support the learning of specific students with additional educational needs either within the classroom or 1:1, or in intervention groups. You will be working as part of a supportive team.

Exam Invigilators

Scale B point 2, £12.26 per hour

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.

Previous experience is not essential, as all training will be provided.

Ideal candidates will be

Reliable and flexible

Have good communication skills

Confident and able to offer reassurance during exams

You should provide detail outlining your skills applicable to the role and reasons for applying. This should be returned to Mrs D Harker, The Headteacher's PA, The Stonehenge School, Holders Road, Amesbury, Wiltshire, SP4 7PW

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Term 1	Charity Walk (£3)	Charity Walk (£3)	Charity Walk (£3)	Charity Walk (£3)	Charity Walk (£3)
	Alpaca Science club (£15)	Alpaca Science club (£15)	Astronomy students trip to Stonehenge (free)	Philosophy Salisbury Cathedral (£10)	London Dungeon History students (£42)
	Longleat (£20)	Paulton's Park (£27)	Philosophy Salisbury Cathedral (£10)	Robinson College Cambridge (free)	Geography field work (free)
			Paulton's Park (£27)	Paulton's Park (£27)	Thorpe Park (£35)
			Bronze Duke of Edinburgh launch and registration (£32)		Philosophy Salisbury Cathedral (£10)
Term 2	Harry Potter studios (£40)	KS3 Science Live (£30)		Silver Duke of Edinburgh launch and registration (£40)	London STEM trip (£400)
Term 3			Hairspray theatre trip (£30)	Hairspray theatre trip (£30)	An Inspector Calls (£32)
			Cologne (£527)	Cologne (£527)	Cologne (£527)
				STEM Paris (£577)	National Gallery art students (£17)
Term 4	KS3 Science Live (£30)	Battlefields (£220)	Rome (£650)	Rome (£650)	
	Lion, Witch and Wardrobe (£30)	Lion, Witch and Wardrobe (£30)		Globe theatre (£33)	
				Geography field work (free)	
				Tate Modern (£17)	
Term 5		Pencelli (£420)	DofE Bronze practice expedition (£15)		
			DofE Bronze qualifying expedition (£20)		
Term 6		Marwell Zoo (£18)		DofE Silver practice expedition (£20)	Prom (£35)
				DofE Silver qualifying expedition (£30)	
				Geography Field work (free)	
				Andover college visit (free)	



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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a collation of all the opportunities we have heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

We know it's the first week back and February feels AGES away... However, we want to bring your attention to the fact that 10th-14th February is National Apprenticeship Week. This is one of the biggest events in the careers calendar.

We will share more information with you about specific events the week before the event. But, for now, these are some of the things you can do if you're keen to learn more about apprenticeships and make NAW2025 a really impactful event for your career knowledge, growth and future planning.



Here are the events that are already listed for the week, you can already register to as many as you'd like. Some are broad and about apprenticeships in general whereas others are specific to certain industries/employers.



You can also find events directly from employers and education organisations by searching #NAW2025 on social media platforms.

GIVEAWAY

The week is run by a company called CareerMap who are giving away a range of prizes during the week (including a MacBook Pro and JustEat vouchers!).

You might be thinking, "Ok, great... But I don't really know much about apprenticeships at the moment!". Here are some of the questions you might have:



- What is an apprenticeship?
- Is an apprenticeship right for me?
- What do the different Apprenticeship levels mean?
- Should I go to university or do a Degree Apprenticeship?
- How can I educate my parents/carers about Apprenticeships?
- How do I apply for apprenticeships?
- What support is there for me if I have additional needs?

JOB OF THE WEEK



Geneticist

A Geneticist is a scientist or physician who studies the science of genes, heredity, and variation in organisms. They study how genes work in humans, animals, plants, and microbes, and how they are passed on.

Watch the video to learn more about how much you could earn, working hours and pathways into the industry.

LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION FACT

Apprenticeship starts were up by 0.7% to 339,580 in academic year 2023/24, compared to 337,140 reported for the previous year. Under 19s accounted for 23.2% of starts (78,930) in 2023/24. Source

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If you already know that you want to follow the university route, you can find lots of events using [UniTasterDays](#). The Met Office work experience programme consists of two distinct phases. The first is an online work experience. This stand-alone programme is available to all UK-based students aged between 13 and 18, and all who register are guaranteed a place. As part of this programme, you'll explore typical roles in the Met Office through a series of videos, projects and webinars. Following completion of the online programme, you can apply for a second phase of work experience - a two to three day in-person placement, for which limited places are available. EquityEd has been started by current university students who want to make the education pathways beyond Sixth Form more accessible to everyone. "At EquityEd, we bring the opportunities directly to you. We want to make sure that all opportunities are accessible to all state-school students and not gate kept by a minority. Gain access to opportunities for Secondary, Sixth Form, & College students from top institutions and organisations starting today by using our website." "At Rolls-Royce, we want you to be at your best. That's why we've created two comprehensive preparation guides to help you know what to expect when it comes to applications, interviews and Assessment Centres. Whether you're applying to a Rolls-Royce Early Careers programme or elsewhere, these guides can give you a helpful insight into the recruitment process. So, you can feel ready and confident for the journey ahead." "The National Apprenticeship & Education Events are designed to inspire school & college leavers, and other young adults, to discover more about career and further education opportunities. Our events bring together thousands of Students aged 15+ from schools, sixth forms & colleges, parents, guardians & individuals together with Top UK Employers, Universities, Colleges & Training Providers. Our events provide those all-important face-to-face conversations in a fun and interactive setting."



EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

"You'll not only play a part in powering, protecting & connecting people everywhere, you can expect all the training and qualifications you need to progress yourself. Getting your ideas noticed and gaining the support to develop your skills and knowledge. Step into a friendly, welcoming environment: a place where you can be your best & feel like you belong." Read more about [Rolls Royce Careers here](#).

UNI SPOTLIGHT

"The University of Manchester is a centre of teaching excellence, world-class research, outstanding student experience, and social responsibility. Part of the prestigious Russell Group of universities, it's institutions like ours that have the greatest responsibility to act as the world faces big challenges. Together, we face this head on." Read more about [The University of Manchester here](#).

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FOLK* ROCK*
ACOUSTIC* ROOTS*
CHOIRS*

5 STAGES OF
LIVE MUSIC

ALL PROFITS DONATED TO CHARITY



FOOD BY MERAKEI
AND OAK OVEN
PIZZA

WINTER FESTIVAL

SAT 18 JAN
11AM - 10PM

BAR SELLING KETTLESMITH'S BEER
AND HONEY'S CIDER

MINI MAKER'S MARKET
WASSAIL SINGING & DANCING
KIDS' ARTS & CRAFTS



All Day Tickets (from 11am) £25 / £13.50
Evening Tickets (from 7pm) £12
wiltshiremusic.org.uk

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ENROLLING NOW

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mini 5-8 years
youth 8-11 years
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HAPPY NEW YEAR

WE ARE KICKING 2025 OFF WITH A BANG!

WE ARE RECRUITING ATHLETES IN OUR TEAMS AND WE WOULD LOVE TO HELP KICKSTART YOUR 2025.

WHETHER YOUR A GYMNAST LOOKING TO LEVEL UP AND BECOME PART OF A COMPETITION TEAM OR WHETHER YOU ARE A TOTAL BEGINNER.WE ARE HERE TO HELP AND SUPPORT YOU EVERY STEP OF YOUR CHEERLEADING JOURNEY.

- ★ **BUILD CONFIDENCE**
- ★ **BE PART OF A FUN FRIENDLY TEAM**
- ★ **BE PART OF THE CHEER COMMUNITY**
- ★ **LEARN NEW SKILLS**
- ★ **GAIN LIFELONG FRIENDS**

WE OFFER CLASSES FROM 3 YEARS OLDS RIGHT THE WAY THROUGH TO ADULTS.

PARENTS YOU CAN ALSO BE PART OF A FUN, SUPPORTIVE GROUP WITH NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY JUST BRING YOUR ENERGY.

JOIN TODAY AND START 2025 THE RIGHT WAY!



Time Out For Parents - The Teenage Years

Being the parent/carer of a teenager can be hard! This course can help.

Come and meet other parents/carers to discuss ideas and ways to support your teenager. They are going through so many changes and live in a hi-tech world, and that isn't easy.

Learn to find your own way through the challenges of the teenage years. Find out how and why our relationships with our teens change and how we can deal with that, all in a space with other parents/carers facing the same challenges.

Join us virtually on Microsoft Teams;

Beginning Thursday's 16th, 23rd, 30th
January, 6th, 13th, 27th February & 6th
March 2025.

<https://wiltshiretogether.org.uk/alltogether>



Family Hub
Wiltshire Council



Support We Offer

We are here to help with a whole range of topics including:

Ideas around implementing routines and setting boundaries.

Help to understand your child's needs and build your confidence as a parent.

Help around finances, housing applications, debt support and accessing benefits.

Supporting you 'back to work'

Volunteering opportunities

We can help families access:

Baby Bundles

Healthy start vitamins

Advice on local childcare and applying for funding.

Introductions to other services

Facebook

Our Wiltshire Family Hub Facebook page is another way for families to stay up to date with current services. Make sure you like and follow to stay in touch with us.

Simply click here:



Get in touch with us

If you have any questions or would like more information about our services please call us on one of our numbers below or check out our website:

Freephone:

0800 970 4669

wiltshirefamilyhub@spurgeons.org

Other useful numbers:

Health visitor – Single Point of Access

0300 247 0090

National Breastfeeding helpline

0300 100 0212

Fearfree (Domestic Abuse support Service)

01225 775276



National

Domestic Abuse Helpline

0800 2000 247

Click here to visit our website

www.wiltshirefamilyhubs.org.uk