



THE STONEHENGE

SCHOOL Weekly Newsletter

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UPCOMING DATES

JANUARY

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

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are delighted to share with you the highlights from this term so far at our school:

Visit from Baroness Barran

Today, we had the honour of welcoming Baroness Diana Barran MBE, a distinguished member of the House of Lords, to our school. Baroness Barran has an extensive background in education and social initiatives. She served as the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the School System and Student Finance at the Department for Education from September 2021 to July 2024. During her tenure, she was responsible for academies, multi-academy trusts, free schools, and safeguarding in educational settings. Prior to her governmental roles, she founded the domestic abuse awareness charity SafeLives and served as its chief executive from 2004 to 2017.

Baroness Barran engaged with our Student Parliament, sharing her insights on civic participation and the importance of student voices in shaping educational policies. Her visit was both inspiring and informative, leaving a lasting impression on our students.

Year 7 Milestone Assessments

Our Year 7 students have been diligently working on their first set of Milestone assessments across all subjects. These assessments are designed to provide detailed feedback on areas of success and identify next steps for each student. We encourage parents to review the feedback with their children to support their ongoing learning journey.

Year 11 Period 6 Timetables and Prom Passport

Year 11 students have received their Period 6 timetables, marking the commencement of the next stage of their Prom Passport. These sessions are tailored to align with each student's current performance and are intended to bolster their revision efforts. Research indicates that revising all subjects in short, focused bursts enhances knowledge retention in long-term memory. We recommend that students incorporate this approach into their independent revision schedules to maximise their learning outcomes.

Sporting Activities

Despite the shorter days and cooler temperatures, our students have actively participated in various sporting activities. This week featured football, rugby, and cross-country competitions, culminating in today's inter-house competition. We commend all participants for their enthusiasm and sportsmanship.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement in our school community.



Redworth REME STEM Engagement Morning

On Thursday 16th January, the students in Redworth had the pleasure of a visit from the Army REME STEM Team. The team provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to experience new and exciting activities, such as building rocket cars and tackling the challenge of constructing a bridge for a robot car to drive across.

The students engaged enthusiastically with the activities, demonstrating leadership skills, perseverance, and resilience. It was wonderful to see them represent our school so well, showing politeness and good manners throughout the session.

We are grateful to the REME STEM Team for this experience.



If your child is spending too much money in the Canteen

We have had some parents become aware that their children are spending quite a lot in the school canteen each day. We would like to make you aware that you can cap your child's spending if you wish to. Please contact the school if you would like to set a limit on your child's spending each day.



Cross Country Championships

On Saturday 11th 5 students made the trip to Chippenham to represent Salisbury District Schools in the County Cross Country Championship. It was a cold morning and was slightly icy under foot when all the athletes arrived. Luckily it warmed up a bit to make it a nice day for running. Well done to Inara who came 28th, Albert 20th, Rocco 32nd and Jack 35th in their respective races. A special well done to Rocco and Jack as year 8 were competing in a very quick race that included a large number of year 9 boys.

BADMINTON CLUB SEPTEMBER 2024-2025 SO FAR

The club is thriving and pupils from years 7-10 are actively taking part. Some pupils are now playing at Sarum county squad in their various teams which we are delighted with- Benjamin Charnock, Ben Lush, Raiden Lancaster-Bowen and Elizabeth Clark are actively involved. We have 9 girls from year 7 who are playing and we hope to enter both district competitions in the Autumn.

Since September we have had four matches against Avon Valley and Sarum. We have beaten AVC twice and Sarum have beaten us twice. It is a great opportunity to play competitively against other schools in mainly mixed and boys and girls doubles.

Last night we played 34 matches and although Sarum won overall year 9 were successful in 11 out of 16 matches.

Thank you very much to the pupils for being flexible and to parents for providing snacks for these matches.

Mrs James

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/>

Caretaker

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.

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead and Safeguarding Administrator

Start Date: As soon as possible

Salary: Grade G, point 12-14 (actual salary £19,641 - £20,964 per annum). Term time only, 39 weeks p.a., including 5 TD days across the year.

30 hours per/week: Monday - Friday 9:00am -3.30pm (30 minutes unpaid lunch)

Contract: Permanent

Closing Date: Wednesday 12th February 2025

To strengthen our safeguarding provision and ensure the highest levels of support for our students, we are seeking to appoint a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL) who will also provide crucial administrative support for safeguarding and pastoral functions across the school.

The DDSL will work closely with the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Progress Leaders, and Pastoral Managers to ensure the effective implementation of safeguarding policies and procedures. The role will involve managing safeguarding records, completing referrals to external agencies, and ensuring timely follow-up on all safeguarding concerns. The successful candidate will also play a key role in maintaining accurate records and assisting with audits to ensure compliance with statutory safeguarding responsibilities.

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

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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

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Pharmacy First – an NHS service being offered from pharmacies across England

I am writing to you from the representative body of community pharmacies in England to highlight an NHS service which almost all pharmacies across England are now offering for children and adults called **Pharmacy First**.

I understand that student attendance is a high priority for schools and colleges and this free NHS service may assist with getting children back to school/college following a minor illness, as well as also being of use to school/college staff. As such, I thought you may want to bring the service to the attention of your members so that they could raise awareness of it amongst parents/carers of children, as well as school/college staff.

What is Pharmacy First?

This NHS service allows children and adults to get quick access to healthcare advice as they can walk into a pharmacy and access the service, removing the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment. The person will be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room, with some pharmacies also offering the service remotely as a video consultation.

The service supports the following conditions:

- **Earache** (ages 1 to 17 years)
- **Impetigo** (ages 1 year and over)
- **Infected insect bites** (age 1 year and over)
- **Sore throats** (age 5 years and over)
- **Shingles** (age 18 years and over)
- **Sinusitis** (age 12 years and over)
- **Urinary tract infections (UTIs)** in women (ages 16 to 64 years)

The pharmacist will provide advice and, if clinically necessary, a prescription medicine to treat the condition. Any medicines are supplied free of charge to children under 16 years, with the normal **NHS prescription charge rules** applying to people aged 16 or over. Should the pharmacist be unable to help, they will direct the person to their GP surgery or other health professional.

We have developed an animation to explain about the service which is available on **YouTube** and more information can also be found on the NHS website at [nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst](https://www.nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst)
Resources to promote the Pharmacy First service to parents/carers and staff

✉ info@cpe.org.uk
☎ 0203 1220 810
📍 14 Hosier Lane, London EC1A 9LQ
🌐 [cpe.org.uk](https://www.cpe.org.uk)

	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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HELP KICKSTART YOUR 2025.

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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.
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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.

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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