

## THE STONEHENGE

## S C H O O L Weekly Newsletter

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### **UPCOMING DATES**

#### **FEBRUARY**

Sun 2nd to Tues 4th Year 10 trip to Paris Disneyland

Tues 11th to Fri 14th Trip to Cologne

> Friday 14th End of Term

HALF TERM MON 17TH - FRI 21ST

Monday 24th Students return on a Week 1 Headteacher's message ...

At The Stonehenge School, we are incredibly proud of the way our staff support students, not only through the delivery of the curriculum but also in developing their skills, confidence, and experiences beyond the classroom. From practical subjects like hospitality and catering, where students showcase their talents in exams, to exciting extra-curricular opportunities, such as trips to Disneyland and competitive inter-house sports, our students benefit from a well-rounded education that helps them grow academically, socially, and personally.

### Year 10 STEM Trip to Disneyland

Year 10 students had an incredible experience at Disneyland on their recent STEM trip! Alongside exploring the park, they attended STEM-focused lectures designed to supplement their mathematical and scientific knowledge. It was fantastic to see students engaging with real-world applications of STEM subjects in such an exciting setting.

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#### **Hospitality and Catering - Amazing Creations**

Our hospitality and catering students have been showcasing their skills, creating some truly stunning dishes under the expert guidance of Mrs Cable. Their creativity and attention to detail have been fantastic to see, and their hard work has certainly resulted in some delicious treats! Well done to all involved.

#### **Inter-House Sport Competitions**

A huge well done to all the students who took part in our Inter-House Sport Competitions. Mr Rackham and Mr Waterman have worked hard to organise a variety of events, including table tennis and football, giving students the chance to represent their houses in friendly but competitive matches. The enthusiasm and team spirit on display were fantastic!

#### Duke of Edinburgh - Our Biggest Cohort Yet!

Our Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh group continues to grow, with the largest number of students we've ever taken through the programme. Led by Mr Firth and a dedicated team of staff, the students have been enthusiastically attending weekly training sessions in preparation for their expeditions. Their commitment and teamwork are inspiring, and we look forward to seeing them develop further in the coming months.



#### Clubs and Activities - Creativity in Action!

We have had some fantastic lunchtime and after-school club activities running this term, giving students the chance to explore new interests and skills:

Miss Harris' Craft Club - Students have been learning to knit, showing impressive ingenuity by using pencils as makeshift knitting needles when supplies ran short!

Dungeons and Dragons Club - Members have been painting intricate models, bringing their fantasy adventures to life with creativity and detail.

Mrs James' Science Club - Students took part in the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch, clipboard in hand, making detailed observations of the school's wildlife.

### Rugby at Millfield

Our rugby team had a fantastic experience competing at Millfield, taking on some of the most elite sporting schools in the South West. This was a brilliant opportunity for our players to challenge themselves, test their skills against top-level opposition, and represent the school with pride.

It's fantastic to see our students embracing new opportunities, developing their skills, and working together-whether that's in lessons, competitions, or extracurricular clubs. A huge thank you to all the staff who make these experiences possible!





- Experience working with children & your people?
- · A passion for cycling?
- Great communication skills?

We are looking for people to join our team of self-employed Bikeability instructors, delivering practical training for children, young people, families and adults in Wiltshire

Interested? Contact us at bikeability@wiltshire.gov.uk for more details

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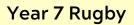


### **FOOTBALL RESULTS**

Stonehenge completed in their final round of county cup fixtures over the past week. The Year 7 boys beat neighbours Avon Valley 11-0 at Holders field on Wednesday alongside the Year 9s on the next pitch over who came from 1-0 down to beat Trafalgar 2-1. On Thursday the U16 boys beat Avon Valley 8-0.

These results mean that all 4 of Stonehenge's boys teams have qualified for the county cup knockout stages.

Year 7- Stonehenge vs Sarum Academy Year 8- Stonehenge vs Lydiard Park Academy Year 9- Stonehenge vs Lavington Under 16s - Stonehenge vs Swindon Academy

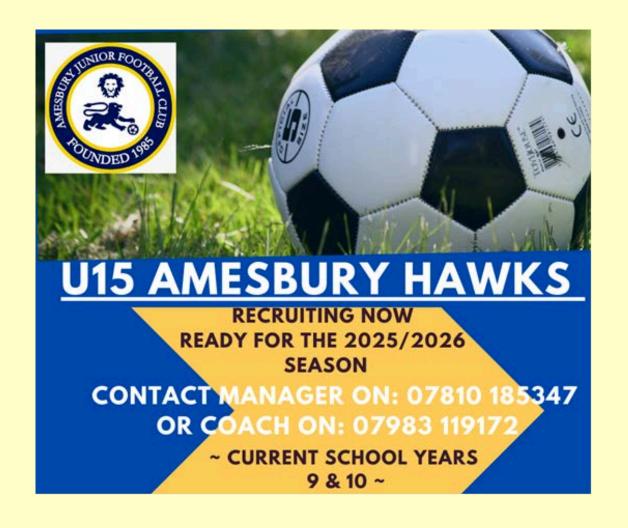


On Friday, January 31st, our Year 7 boys played their first rugby match at home against Trafalgar, a highly anticipated game that the team had been preparing for over the past few months. The match kicked off with us receiving the initial kick, but unfortunately, we lost possession, and Trafalgar quickly capitalized, scoring a try. The first half saw us concede a few more points, largely due to the experience of the opposition's players.

However, as the game went on, Stonehenge began to find their rhythm, with the boys stepping up to make some impressive tackles. Special mentions go to J. Vokins, J. Hodgkinson, and B. Dean for their exceptional defensive work. Team leaders M. Hanlon and T. Roberts demonstrated excellent leadership throughout. Confidence grew as the game progressed, and the boys made some strong carries in the second half. We managed to score two tries before the final whistle.

It was a fantastic first game, full of promise, and I'm excited to see this team continue to grow and improve.





## Spire Reds Half Term Camps





Missing netball in half term? Come and join us for a morning of fun exercises, skills and games

Suitable for development and performance players For both Spires members and non-members

Monday 17th February and Tuesday 18th February

9:00 - 1:30pm

School Years: Year 3 - Year 9

**Venue: Chafyn Grove School** 

Please complete the form below to register

### STAFF VACANCIES

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

## Teacher of Maths

Start Date: Easter 2025 or September 2025

Salary: MPS/UPS

Closing Date: Monday 24th February, 9am Interview: Wednesday 26th February

We require a qualified teacher of Maths to join an expanding department, for the delivery of Maths at KS3 and GCSE. As part of the Maths department and a member of The Stonehenge School, you will be part of a supportive and reflective team of dedicated professionals who continually improve and develop their practice in order to achieve the best for the young people at our school.

This is an excellent opportunity for an ECT seeking a first appointment, or a more experienced teacher.

We are looking for colleagues with:

- a commitment to raising achievement
- the ability to engage and support students
- an enthusiasm and deep knowledge of the subject area
- A commitment to help all young people and staff to achieve their best is expected of all staff. Informal visits to the school are welcome; please contact the Head's PA, Debra Harker on 01980 676660 or e-mail <a href="mailto:harkerd@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk">harkerd@stonehenge.wilts.sch.uk</a>

## Teacher of Maths, with Numeracy Champion

Salary: MPS/UPS plus TLR 2a (£3391) Contract type: Full time and permanent Required for Easter/September 2025

Closing date for applicants: Monday 24th February 2025, 9am

Interview: Wednesday 26th February 2025

As part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing numeracy across the curriculum, The Stonehenge School is placing a strong focus on developing students' mathematical confidence and fluency in all subjects. We aim to deepen students' understanding by promoting problem-solving, reasoning, and the application of numeracy skills beyond the maths classroom.

To support this initiative, we are seeking a Numeracy Champion to lead the way in raising the profile of numeracy throughout the school. Working closely with our Mathematics department and curriculum leads, the Numeracy Champion will introduce a range of initiatives designed to embed numeracy skills across all subject areas and improve students' confidence in using mathematical thinking in everyday learning.

This is an exciting opportunity for a passionate educator to make a real impact on students' learning experiences, ensuring that numeracy skills are actively promoted and reinforced across the curriculum. The successful candidate will also play a key role in developing staff training and resources to enhance numeracy provision school-wide.

The successful candidate will also be a qualified teacher of Mathematics, joining an experienced department to deliver Maths at KS3 and GCSE. As part of the Mathematics team and a member of The Stonehenge School, you will be part of a supportive and reflective group of dedicated professionals, committed to developing their practice and achieving the best outcomes for our students.

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## 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.

## **ART & DESIGN TECHNOLOGY TECHNICIAN**

Required to start as soon as possible
20 Hours per week, term time only (this includes TD Days).
Working days - Monday - Friday 10.00am - 2.00pm
(Flexibility around working hours can be discussed with the right candidate)

Wiltshire Council pay Grade E Point 6 - 8, (£13.05 - £13.47 per hour) actual salary £11,708 - £12,084 per annum.

Closing date - Monday 24th February 2025.

We reserve the right to close this vacancy early if a suitable candidate is found before the closing date.

#### Interviews tbc

We are looking for a dedicated individual to provide support to the Art, Food Technology, Textiles and Engineering departments and students at The Stonehenge School. The successful candidate will be committed to making a positive difference to young people's lives and in supporting and developing their learning.

This position requires you to be a good team player and give appropriate support for students' learning. You will be required to help maintain orderly workshop areas, keeping them in a safe and tidy condition ready for use, in accordance with the required standards

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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### 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.

## **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

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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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

Click here to visit our website

www.wiltshirefamilyhubs.org.uk