



Stonehouse Park  
Infant School

# Stonehouse Park Infant School Weekly Newsletter

Monday 21st January - Friday 25th January 2019



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## Nursery News

### Acorns

We have had a lovely week in Acorns.

We have continued with our story 'Dear Zoo'

We have been collaging animals from around the world.

We have been learning new songs and done lots of counting.

Outside we have enjoyed the bikes and been doing some obstacle courses.

### Conkers

The topic for this week was the weather.

The children enjoyed a variety of activities, based on this:

White playdough  
Play with real snow  
Snow walk around the grounds

Shaving Foam  
Making Snowmen pictures  
Forest School & enjoying the storybook  
"Sonny's Wonderful Wellies"

The children have been practising their gross motor skills with climbing on the large climbing frame, and making big circles on large scale drawing paper.

## Reception

This week in Cherry and Apple class we have been visiting lots of places around the world and we even had our very own Spanish café, we tasted olives and a Spanish omelette.

This week we have looked at the artist Henri Rousseau's painting 'tiger in a tropical storm' and we had a go at recreating our own version. In maths we have been using numicon and representing numbers in many different ways.

In phonics this week, we have learned the following digraph sounds **oo, oo, ar and the tricky word into.**

In dance, we danced like jungle animals and in PE we have been doing multi skills and learning jumping skills – we have been very busy.

Next week we will be travelling to China and celebrating Chinese new year...it is the year of the pig. **If you have not yet donated a £1 for this terms food tasting from all around the world please can do give this to your child's class teacher.**

## Year 1

### **.What we have been learning about this week in school**

This week we have continued our focus of Antarctica. We have been thinking about the features on non-fiction texts and applied this by creating our own fact files that we will be adding to weekly.

We have been learning about penguins this week.

We have thought about penguin facts that we know.

In Maths, we have been looking at fractions.

We have been identifying halves and quarters.

### **What we will be doing next term in school**

Next week we will be thinking about Antarctic explorers.

In Maths, we will be looking at measurement. We are looking forward to learning about Edward Wilson the explorer.

Please remember to bring PE kits, wellington boots and painting aprons into school. Please look out for spellings in your child's book bag and continue reading at home.

## Year 2

### **What we have been learning about this week in school:**

This week we have been writing the story 'Lila and the Secret of Rain' and in Maths we have been learning how to multiply using arrays. In Geography we have been using maps and globes to locate the oceans and continents of the world.

### **What we will be doing next week in school:**

Next week we will be innovating the story 'Lila and the secret of rain' and exploring different ways of innovating stories. We will be learning how to divide objects and then numbers.

If you need to speak to a teacher please make an appointment at the office. Between the hours of 8.55am and 3.15pm the teachers' priority is to be with the children, we have noticed an increasing number of parents coming in at 9am wanting to speak with a teacher. If the matter is of absolute urgency or is to pass on important medical information the office staff will be happy to help you.

However, all other matters must be discussed outside of the school day as the teachers must be present during registration.



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### Health & Safety

Please help us keep children safe by being careful when dropping off and collecting your children from school.

We have been very concerned to hear that parents have been very inconsiderate parking on the pavement and grass verges outside school.

One child was very nearly knocked off his bike.

We will be asking the police to support us with this matter.

Please may we also remind parents to kindly refrain from swearing or having adult conversations on the school site or in the school building.

Thank You



### Winter Closure

In the event of bad weather conditions or an emergency school closure parents can obtain all information by listening to their local radio station or going online to:

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures>

Parents will also receive a text message from school.

Stonehouse Park  
The Greatest Music Show  
Whole School Show

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January



During the month of January your teachers will be asking you to come up with wonderful, musical acts to perform in front of your class or year group.

You can ...

Sing your favourite song

Show us your best dance routine

Play us a tune on your instrument

You can perform on your own or with friends.

Children in each class will vote for their favourite act.

The favourite act from each class will be asked to perform in front of the whole school and be awarded a special Greatest Music Show Award.

You can practise your acts in the playground or in golden time in class.

Children are invited to come to school in non-school uniform for a donation of £1 to raise money for music resources in school!



### 'Star Learners of the Week'

Well done to Cherry Class for their 98% attendance this week!

