



# STOKE-BY-NAYLAND C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Friends,

### **Book Fair**

The Book Fair is in school from Monday to Thursday next week (4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> November). It is open from 8.40am to 9.00am each morning and 3.15pm – 3.45pm in the afternoons. Please come and support the Book Fair as the more books and gifts you purchase, means more commission is earned by the school to spend on new books for the library.

### **Recreation Ground Car Park**

We have been advised that on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**, the Recreation Ground are having security devices installed at the entrance to the car park, meaning that it may be unavailable at certain times of the day. Please allow extra time for dropping your child off or picking up on Monday whilst this work is carried out, as it may mean you will need to park further down School Street or in a nearby road to drop your children off. Please avoid parking immediately outside the school gates for safety reasons.

This work should be completed on Monday and the car park can be used as normal thereafter.

### **Colchester Zoo trip**

A reminder that next Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November the whole school is visiting Colchester Zoo. If you have not yet returned your permission slip, please do so by Monday.

### **Midday Supervisor Vacancy**

We have a vacancy on Friday lunchtimes for a Midday Supervisor. This role would be for one hour (12-1pm), supervising the children, with other staff over the lunchtime period. Please see Mrs Smith for an informal chat if you are interested.

### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

There will be a vacancy for a parent governor role in the school in January 2020. If you are interested in this, then please speak to Mrs Smith for an informal chat or make your interests known in writing.

### **Friends of School (FOS)**

Engela Van der Berg, our FOS Chairperson has advised us this week that her family is having to relocate. There is therefore a vacancy for a Chairperson and new Committee members. To get the ball rolling on this, we will hold a Friends meeting on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am**. Please come along to this meeting if you are able to and chat about ideas for supporting the Friends group and with thoughts about the Christmas Fair.

### **Open Morning**

We are holding an Open Morning on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November from 9.30-11.30am. This is for new prospective parents but we would also like to extend this invitation to our current parents who are very welcome to drop into school during this time to see the current learning taking place. No appointment is necessary on this date, please just drop in.

## Parents' Evenings

There are parents' evenings on 19<sup>th</sup> November between 3.40pm – 5.30pm and 21<sup>st</sup> November between 4.40pm and 6.30pm. This year instead of sending letters home regarding this, there will be clipboards in the school office so that parents can sign up for the most convenient time. Please look at the top of the sheet to find your child's correct year group. The boards will be available from next Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November. For those parents whose children travel by taxi – please phone the school to book your appointment.

## Working Party – 9<sup>th</sup> November

If you are free on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November, why not come along to help get the school ready for our Open Morning? Refreshments will be provided and all are welcome, so please do join us.

## School Photographer

The school photographer will be in school on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November taking individual and family photographs. If you have younger siblings that you would like included on a family photograph, please come along to school at 8.30am, and this will be arranged.

## Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that flu vaccinations will take place in school on 9<sup>th</sup> December. Please remember to respond to either opt in or out of this as per the NHS email sent out in October.

## School Council and charity support

This term the School Council have voted to support the NSPCC's charity and will be holding a Crazy Hair Day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Further details about this will be sent out closer to the date, but please note that this year we will not be supporting Children In Need as the NSPCC won the children's vote.

## Diary Corner

Date	Event
4 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Book Fair in the Hall before and after school
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Colchester Zoo trip
9 <sup>th</sup> November	Working Party from 9.30am for Open Morning
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Open Morning 9.30-11.30am
13 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photographer in school
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Evening 3.40-5.30pm
21 <sup>st</sup> November	Parents' Evening 4.40 – 6.30pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Non-uniform day for hamper raffle prizes and Christmas Fair tombolas – further details to follow.
27 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Crafts Day
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Crazy Hair Day for NSPCC charity
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair in School – Note date change
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Dress rehearsal for Nativity 9.30am
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity Performance 9.30am
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity Performance 2.00pm & 6.00pm (TBC)
18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day & last day of term.

With best wishes

Sarah Smith