



# Stoke Mandeville Combined School

*Caring, Inspiring and Achieving Together*

*Weekly Update 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021*

## **Return to School**

We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July. Following Public Health England (PHE) guidance we would ask that you return to the school setting only if you remain symptom-free and have not had a positive PCR or LFT in the 10 days prior to returning. If you do carry out a PCR and LFT which has a positive result then please contact us as soon as possible on [covid@stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:covid@stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk). Please also be advised that you should consider the day of the positive result to be Day 1 and will need to self-isolate for a further 10 days, even if you have already been in self-isolation.

Just as a reminder you can order LFT tests online <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests> and these should only be carried out if you are asymptomatic. If your child has any of the usual Covid-19 symptoms or the symptoms more commonly associated with the new Delta variant (including runny nose, vomiting and headache) then please book them in for a PCR test straight away and remain at home until you have had the results.

If you have not already had the chance then please have a look at our letter and links sent out earlier this week regarding the sKids Bubble Study which is being conducted by PHE to help them understand more about the Covid-19 variant and its transmissibility.

## **Sports Day and Lunchtime Picnic**

We are still planning a Sports Day session for the children, but following advice from Buckinghamshire Council this will not have parents in attendance. These Sports Days are in the morning and we thought the children would like to finish their activities by having a picnic lunch on the school field (weather permitting).

This means for children in Key Stage 1 they will need a packed lunch either ordered or provided for them on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, and for children in Key Stage 2 they will need a packed lunch on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July. We are aware that the Chartwells Summer Celebration Day is on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July where hot dogs are on the menu so we will allow the children to eat these outside on the field.

## **Last Day of Term**

Please note that our final day of term is **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** when we will be finishing at **1.30pm**. Please use our final week at school as an opportunity to collect any belongings or medication that your child has in school and drop off any library and reading books (children can continue to read on Bug Club).

## **School Reports**

School reports will be sent home with your children next Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July. You are welcome to request an appointment to discuss the report with the class teacher which would be held as a virtual meeting.

### Year 3 Egyptian Day

We look forward to welcoming our Year 3 class for their Egyptian Day on Wednesday when we return to school. If you can't find something to wear then don't worry – just wear your school uniform and you will be able to create some fun additions to pin on to your uniform shirts!

### Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is back! We would love for everyone to get involved in this great reading scheme which will be running throughout the summer break <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

### Staffing News

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Harris from Year 1 and Miss Civilyte from Reception. Miss Civilyte is relocating to Leicester and Miss Harris is intending on carrying on with her travelling adventures! We wish them both the very best in their new roles.

### Record Breakers at SMCS!

Guess what? It's official! Zoom has confirmed that we've helped to break a Zoom world record...The Largest Children's Zoom Choir in the World! Thanks to the wonderful efforts of our children and staff who helped to make it all possible. It really was such a lovely atmosphere hearing the children singing in every classroom of the school.

Whether you were on screen or not you were all essential to helping make this a record-breaking attempt so print off your certificate and display it proudly! [YV Biggest Sing Zoom Participation Certificate](#)

### Friends of SMCS

It is with heavy hearts that the Friends have had to draw a line under the 'Friday Treat' sales for this term and the uniform sale will instead be an online one on Facebook (don't worry though – the Non-Uniform Days are still going ahead on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July!). They will still be having a Doughnut Day in the Autumn Term so keep your eyes peeled for more details when we return to school.

### Up to Date Staffing List

We can now confirm the remainder of our school staffing for September 2021.

HID	Mrs E Tattersall	
HID Teaching Assistants	Mrs T Walker Mrs J Twidale Miss C Hodge	
PPA Teachers	Mrs J Ryan	
SENDCO	Ms M Hayden	
School Administrator	Mrs A Jacob	
Finance Officer	Mrs S Harris	
Admin Assistant	Mrs C Gundry	
Lunchtime Supervisors	Mrs O Adler-MacGregor Miss C Leslie Mrs S Bushay Mrs C Isaac	Mrs L Oldfield Mrs D Hutson Mrs A Kamalan Mrs C Bowie

Site Manager	Mr V Charlton (Charlie) Mr D Lack	
Cleaning team	Mrs N Cuppleditch-Swain	
Out of School Playworkers	Miss N Cooke Mr J Goozee Mrs N Cuppleditch-Swain	Mrs H Wright Miss C Hodge

### **Letters sent home**

All classes - sKids Bubble Study

Year 6 – Arriva Bus details for Year 7

Year 3 – Egyptian Day

Y6 – Additional Covid-19 case

Y3 – Covid-19 case

### **Housepoint Totals this Week**

Well done to Claydon for earning the most housepoints this week!

<b>Chequers</b>	<b>Claydon</b>	<b>Hughenden</b>	<b>Waddesdon</b>
14,216	14,253	14,021	14,199

### **Class Updates**

We know how much you enjoy finding out what the children have been learning in our Weekly Updates. This has been another fun packed week. You can find this information by selecting the link below to your child's class.

Year R – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-r/what-are-we-learning>

Year 1 – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-1/what-are-we-learning>

Year 2 – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-2/what-are-we-learning>

Year 3 – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-3/what-are-we-learning>

Year 4 – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-4/what-are-we-learning>

Year 5 – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-5/what-are-we-learning>

Year 6 – <https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/our-school/class-pages/year-6/what-are-we-learning>

You can also find up to date information on important dates on our website.  
<https://www.stokemandeville.bucks.sch.uk/upcoming-events>