

# Stroud Valley Community School Newsletter



RESPONSIBLE, KIND AND SAFE AT STROUD VALLEY...

We are pleased to share with you some exciting new changes that are happening across Stroud Valley as a result of reviewing and rewriting our school Behaviour Policy. Hopefully, you will have heard your children talk about 'Responsible, Kind and Safe' -our three new behaviour values. Our new policy is based on our school vision as well as academic research, so that the focus is on recognising positive behaviours.

Every classroom now has a 'Recognition board' which children are added to throughout the week when they have been recognised for their positive behaviour. This week we have started by focusing on 'polite manners'. It has been lovely to see so many children making it on to the recognition board already and receiving raffle tickets for doing so. We aspire for all children to get on the recognition board over the course of the week as result of their effort and therefore for each child to receive an equal opportunity to take part in 'Treat time Friday'.

This is an exciting time to celebrate the success of 2 individuals from each class and reward their efforts with a special treat organised by the senior leadership team. We hope that each week we can recognise the success of different children so that over the course of the year each child has had the opportunity to enjoy 'Friday Treat time'. We will still continue to use our ongoing 'Dojo' system to reinforce both individual and whole class successes within the classroom.

As a school we greatly recognise the importance of positive mental health and well-being and how essential it is in supporting our children to become resilient and develop strategies to cope both inside and outside school. With this in mind we have developed 'reflection time' on a Friday afternoon. This is a lovely opportunity to reflect on the week through a series of different activities built by both our children and staff. Please do ask your children about this time each week and see what lovely activities they have been up to.

As with all new changes, we may face some challenges, learning curves and successes along the way and thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we begin to embed our new values.

We are excited to see how our new changes will encourage our children to become 'Responsible, Kind and Safe' learners and continue to welcome any feedback you may have. Next week will be focusing on 'kindness' as part of anti-bullying week so please do keep an eye out for this at home too.



12th November 2021  
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### Dates for your diary

| November |                                |
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| 19th     | Children In Need               |
| December |                                |
| 3rd      | Whole school Flu immunisations |
| 17th     | Last day of Term 2             |
| January  |                                |
| 4th      | INSET DAY                      |
| 5th      | First day of Term 3            |
| 24th     | Young Voices                   |
| 25th     | PTFA Clothing                  |

### FLU IMMUNISATIONS— 3RD DECEMBER

Consent forms for flu immunisations for all children went home this week. Please complete the paper forms asap and send them back to school with your child before the immunisation team come to the school on Friday 3rd December.

### COVID-19—A REMINDER

A reminder again, that we would like you to **wear masks at drop off and collection times**—this is one way we can help stop the spread of Covid-19. If you have other people collecting your children e.g. grandparents please make sure they are aware.

As you may know, the number of Covid-19 cases throughout the area has risen sharply in the last couple of weeks. This has led to a severe shortage of supply teaching staff within the county. If we reach the situation where we cannot cover a class teacher due to absence, we will close the class and revert to remote learning.

Please be assured that this will only be as a last resort.

### GOODBYE MISS M!

We are sad to be saying a fond farewell to Miss M today.

Miss M has been with us for over 5 years and has been an invaluable member of our mid day supervisor team and after school club team.

The children and staff will miss you greatly and wish you all the best in your new adventure!

### WELCOME TO MISS EISLEY

We would like to welcome Miss Eisley as she will be joining the after school care team. Miss Eisley is already part of the school community in her role as a mid day supervisor.

### CHILDREN IN NEED—REMINDER

Children In Need day will be next **Friday 19th November**. We will be asking the children to wear spots and to bring in a silver coin donation. Each class will also be doing a sponsored ramble and your child should be bringing home details of how you can sponsor them.

# PTFA

## Message from the PTFA

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Keep an eye out for your children's lovely card designs - artwork templates and order forms will be coming home in book bags today. We need the orders in promptly on **Monday 15th** to be able to facilitate printing and delivery of cards early December - please don't forget to send the artwork back with the order forms and money should be in a named envelope with the correct amount.

### CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING

Unfortunately we are unable to hold our Christmas Fair again this year due to Covid risks. We will however be hosting another fabulous Christmas Raffle. Some fantastic prizes to be won, so look out for raffle tickets in book bags in the next few weeks. If you have a connection to a local business that might like to donate a prize, please get in touch. Also any donations towards hamper prizes can be left at the office. Thank you as always for your support!

### COME JOIN THE PTFA!

We urgently need more volunteers to join the committee as some members are due to step down this month. All you need is a little time and enthusiasm for your school. Please get in touch with any members - just stop us for a chat at the school gate. Or if you prefer email [stroudvalleyptfa@gmail.com](mailto:stroudvalleyptfa@gmail.com)

Look out for information about our upcoming AGM.