

SUMMER TERM (2)

MONDAY 15[™] JULY 2024

WEEK 7/7





Values at Stepping Stones

The Values of the Week are Hope and Positivity

We will begin the week as usual with our Values Circle Time and the children will be introduced to this week's values, Hope and Positivity. Each day we will be teaching the children and showing the children what these means.

As a whole school we will be looking back on the last year/term/few weeks at school and thinking about all that we have achieved and all that we are continuing to focus on: the things we have worked hard on all term...; or something perhaps we have improved on this year...; or something we know we have to do more practice for.....

Remember we love to hear about how the children are showing and sharing our school values at home! Look out for examples when your child has shown Hope and Positivity in the home. Then simply message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination, which will be read out and celebrated in our Daily Meeting. We do enjoy sharing and celebrating your home nominations on our values board in school.

We are starting to get some more nominations from home now, thank you so much, as the children are always proud to see their name on the Values Board!



Finally, Can-do Colin has been out and about this weekend again – we can't wait to hear about all of his adventures – do please remember to send in some photos of his exploits with your child into Class Dojo.

Thank you - we really do value your input from home (3)

During "Work Wednesday" Whole School Meeting last week, it was the turn of **Jordan House** to celebrate examples of their learning:

Learning Highlights



Peter proudly shared a persuasive piece of writing where he had extended his sentence using 'because'. Fabulous Peter! ©

Tyler was very eager to share his *independent* writing where he had included so much detail in just the story starter – lots of effort, surprising himself! Marvelous Tyler! ©

McKenzie was also eager to share his writing where he had created his own story using the children from his class as the characters – Amazing McKenzie!

Heath was very proud to share his independent writing all about a peach seed – wonderful Heath!



Bradley was happy to share his learning from Values last week where he had written a 'recipe' for a friend – choosing key qualities needed to be a good friend. Fantastic Bradley!

Jordan – was also keen to share his learning from Values last week where he had written a 'recipe' for a friend – choosing key qualities needed to be a good friend. Wonderful Jordan!

Harry wanted to share some science learning with everyone – a thermal insulation *investigation*. The results showed cotton wool as the best insulator. Wonderful Harry!

Headteacher Awards:

Elm Class: Luke – for a positive attitude all week towards his learning and the school rules!





Hazel Class: Samuel - for showing role model behaviour all week by following the 3 school rules and focusing hard on his learning!

Oak Class: Warren – for a positive attitude all week towards his learning and the school rules!



Maple Class: Dean – for showing a can-do attitude towards his learning and using polite and respectful manners!



Key Reminders







reat Eccleston to Stepping Stones Short Stay school, Lancaster

Through the night on:

Wednesday 17th July to Thursday 18th July 2024

Stepping Stones staff,

led by the intrepid Mr Holt and Miss Hunter!

By sponsoring us, you are helping to provide our children with outdoor resources and educational opportunities to enhance their learning experiences to help them develop their social, emotional and behavioural development.

As part of National Sports Week, the staff at Stepping Stones are also undertaking a challenge. Sponsor forms came home last Friday – do please share the sponsor form as much as you can in support of our wonderful school and children!

Thank you so much! 😊



schoolmoney



New classes for September 2023

A gentle reminder regarding outstanding money: We have a huge amount of money outstanding for dinners/trips/Winmarleigh. Please can you send this as soon as possible to allow Mrs Davies to bank before school closes - these late payments are having a detrimental effect on our budget unfortunately, and we are seeking further advice from LCC Debt Management to look at ways forward to reduce this. Please help school. Thank you.

As we approach the end of the year, we have our Y6 children leaving us this week; and we also have some children from other year groups moving onto their new schools, or returning to their mainstream settings. We also have a high number of children coming back to us in September, as well as new children joining the school also. We will continue to have four classes.

Over the next week we will be finalising class lists and giving the children a time to be with their class teacher for September where there may be a change. We can outline which teachers will have which year groups. Due to the nature of our school setting, there is often an overlap of year groups across the classes, as we also group the children according to their social and emotional needs; not solely for their age and academic needs.

Y 1,2,3 - Miss Bradbury/ Miss Meacham - Elm Class

Y 2,3,4 - Miss Hunter - Hazel Class

Y 4,5,6 - Mr Holt - Maple Class

Y 5,6 - Ms Wilkie - Oak Class

We are also excited to be welcoming our new Headteacher, Mr Hooper, to the school at the start of the Autumn Term in September.



Transport to school for the new Autumn Term 2024.

Mrs Davies will be in touch on the 2nd and 3rd of September with any changes in transport, to let you know the taxi, taxi driver and taxi passenger assistant, bringing your child to school.

As usual, we have to wait for any contract changes and LCC Transport will let Mrs Davies know as soon as everything is finalised.

Thank you for your patience.



On return for the Autumn Term, do please ensure your child is in the correct uniform for school, thank you:



- Our school uniform is navy blue jumper / cardigan. White polo / shirt/ t shirt.
- Dark grey or black trousers/ leggings, skirt / shorts or jogging bottoms. NO LOGOS

please.

- Children should be wearing black school shoes or plain black trainers. Again, no logos
- Children who are with us for short periods of time may choose to wear their mainstream school uniform.
- We do have uniform available to purchase if you wish your child to have a jumper with a logo / t shirt with a logo.

Only on PE days children may wear their PE kit. Again, this should be plain non-branded joggers / shorts and plain PE Tshirts (White, blue, black). NO FOOTBALL shirts or hoodies. They can wear their navy jumper over the top.

Thank you for all your continued support over this past half-term, and we look forward to working with many of you again in the Autumn term.

Please remember that we are here to support you too and Mrs Armstrong our Family Support, is available to contact each day, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Thank you, from Miss Meacham and the Team at Stepping Stones School.



The last day of school is Thursday 18th July. School finishes at the usual time of 3:00pm.



Wishing you all a relaxing and safe Summer Holiday.



The Autumn term begins on Wednesday 4th September 2024.

