



Values at Stepping Stones The Value of the Week is Co-operation

We will begin the week as usual with our Values Circle Time and the children will be introduced to this week's value, Co-operation.

As a whole school we will be thinking carefully about how we speak and listen to one another; and how important it is to learn to work as a team, building trust, resilience and friendships!

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 been co-operating within the family! Then simply message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination, which will be read out and celebrated at Daily Meeting.

We do enjoy sharing and celebrating your home nominations on our values board in school.

Finally, Can-do Colin was out and about over the weekend and we can't wait to hear about all of his adventures – please do remember to send in some photos of his exploits with your child on Class Dojo. Thank you, we really do value your input from home. 😊



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

Learning Highlights



Jensen was very proud to share his science learning this week. The class have been finding out about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores – Jensen had completed a very clear information table and was able to tell everyone what this meant! Amazing Jensen!



Theo was eager to share the learning he had completed in music. The class had used the story of the Three Little Pigs to investigate different sounds and to do some acting. During the lesson, Theo bravely took the lead, helping his classmates to join in! Fabulous Theo! 😊

Luke was keen to share his maths learning this week. He was using his knowledge of number facts to complete calculations within 2 digit numbers. Wonderful Luke! 😊

Nancy, one of our new friends at Stepping Stones, stood up in front of school and showed everyone her maths learning. Nancy had worked independently to solve some word problems in maths. Amazing Nancy! 😊

Archie (B) was eager to share the diagram he had completed in Geography learning this week. He had precisely labelled a number of key world mountain peaks; also explaining to everyone, how he had used the internet to research the information. Fabulous Archie! 😊

Michael was proud to share the maths learning he had completed this week. He had been using mental strategies to solve number calculations. He kept going even if something was not right first time. A fantastic positive attitude Michael! 😊

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PARENT/CARERS:

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week, attached to the weekly Newsletter is both a **letter and an information sheet** regarding our school's commitment and awareness towards allergens within our school community, in order that we provide a safe learning environment for all of our children.

At Stepping Stones we adopt an 'allergen aware' approach, to create an environment where our community is aware of the risks posed by allergens and put in place strategies to mitigate those risks. It is impossible to ban all allergens from our school site, however, we do expect our school community – ie all staff, all parents and carers and the children themselves to avoid bringing into the school, food containing allergens, in particular foods containing nuts. We appreciate it can be difficult to understand all the allergens which can be present within food, therefore we have attached the information sheet in support of growing our understanding and commitment to being an allergen aware school community.

This approach is recommended by The Allergy Team and charities such as Anaphylaxis UK and Allergy UK.

Children who suffer from certain allergies, for example, nuts, wasp stings, can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction.

If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

Therefore, we are taking measures to ensure that we do not have nuts in school in any form. **We ask that you have no nut products in lunch boxes (or brought into the school as treats, e.g. a birthday cake).**

For example: peanut butter sandwiches, chocolate spreads, cereal bars, some granola bars, cakes that contain nuts, biscuits /cookies that contain nuts, peanut butter cakes, some Asian food, including satay, sauces that contain nuts.

This list is not exhaustive, **so please check the packaging of products closely.**

We appreciate that this is an additional thing to check and we know that you recognise the importance of it.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Meacham, Mrs Davies, Mrs Graham or Mrs Armstrong.

Thank you so much for your consideration and understanding,

Miss Meacham.



Winmarleigh Day Camp Friday 26th April. The children had the most amazing day and were an absolute credit to the school!

Mr Holt and his team were blown away by the childrens' Can-do attitude to new skills and activities; alongside impeccable manners and



fantastic support for one another.

Look out for photos on Class Dojo this week and in next week's School Newsletter!



Headteacher Awards:

Oak Class: Warren – for a fantastic positive attitude all week; offering to read out the nominations in front of the whole school; and inviting others to play who may be on their own! 😊

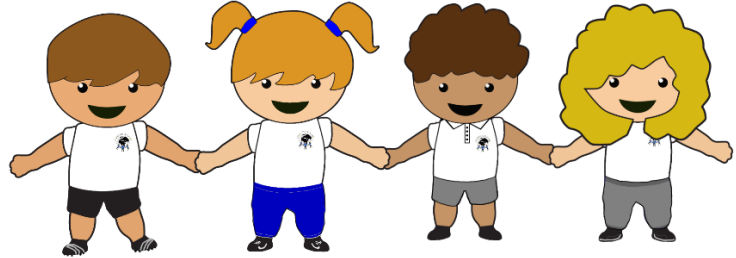
Hazel Class: Tyler (R) for an outstanding positive attitude all week and especially for showing what a trusted and kind friend he is! 😊



Key Reminders



PE KIT



Only on PE days children may wear their PE kit.

This should be **plain non-branded** joggers / shorts and **plain PE T- shirts, muted colours please** (White, blue, black, grey); OR the **PE kit** they wear for their mainstream school.

NO FOOTBALL shirts or **hoodies**. They can wear their navy jumper over the top.

Please check class newsletters for when it is PE day for your child's class. We still have many children arriving on PE days in their usual school uniform. It is good practice and in line with our healthy school policy, to have separate clothing ie a PE kit, for PE days, especially for when the weather improves and the temperatures increase.

Children arriving in football shirts/ inappropriate PE wear will be asked to change.

Please support your child and the school staff in ensuring appropriate PE kit is worn.



Thank you very much for your co-operation with this.

Thank you in advance for all for your continued support this coming term; for mirroring our school ethos and school values at home.

Please remember that we are here to support you and you can contact Mrs Armstrong (Family Support – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday).

Miss Meacham and the whole staff team at Stepping Stones School

