



AUTUMN TERM (1)

Monday 7th September 2026

ISSUE 1

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a wonderful summer with your families. It was wonderful to welcome our pupils back last Thursday. Joining Hazel class for the new academic year is our new teacher, Mrs Earl.

For the first full week of this half term, we will be focusing on the value of Responsibility and pupils will have the opportunity to nominate their peers for showing this value. Remember we love to hear about how the children are demonstrating the school values at home and you can send us a message regarding this through the Class Dojo App.

Class Dojo is a free app where you can link to the school and this is our main form of communication. We share learning newsletters, positive experiences and communicate key messages through this system. Please ensure you are signed up. New sign in details can be sent home to parents who are not on the APP.

Finally, menus for the first 3 weeks of Autum 1 are included on the bottom the newsletter.

Have a great week!

Kind regards

Mr M Hooper
Headteacher



Values at Stepping Stones

The value of the week is Responsibility

We began the week as usual with our Values meeting and the children will be introduced to this week's focus value, Responsibility.

Keep an eye out on Tuesday for this week's Home Values Task - a chance for your child to earn 30 bonus points.

Of course, do remember to send in your home nominations for how your child has shown responsibility at home. We really want to celebrate home nominations on our Values Rainbow. Simply message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination or reply to the prompt on Class Dojo on Wednesday.



This week's Headteacher awards are as follows:

Alfie W
Maya B
Thomas
Beau

	Inset Day School will not be open to pupils on Monday 28th September as we have a staff training day. Pupils will return on Tuesday 29th September.
	Behaviour & Safety Our three school rules are ... - Be respectful - Be Safe - Complete your learning / tasks to a good standard. Our school is focused on building positive relationships with the children to provide safety, consistency and trust. We have a firm, fair, friendly and focused approach. All staff have the same expectations so children know boundaries. Over the next 2 weeks, we will be completing Behaviour Plans for each child and talking to them about what helps them remain calm and in a good place for learning.
	A reminder about our expectations around the school uniform. 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. • 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. • On PE days, children may wear their PE kit. Again, this should be plain non-branded joggers / shorts and plain PE T- shirts (White, blue, black). NO FOOTBALL shirts or hoodies. They can wear their navy jumper over the top.
	Class Arrangements: Elm Class (Year 1) - Mrs Dowker Hazel Class (Year 2 and 3) – Miss Earl Maple Class (Year 4 and 5) – Miss Hunter Oak class (Year 5 and 6) – Miss Wilkie
	Our current school attendance is 93% Well done everyone!
Thank you for your continued support and for mirroring our ethos and 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). Mr Hooper and the whole staff team at Stepping Stones School	



DATES (Week Beginning)	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1 21.09.26 12.10.26 02.11.26 23.11.26 14.12.26	Creamy Pasta Bake and Garlic Bread	Brunch (Bacon, Sausage, Hash Brown, Scrambled Egg, Beans)	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding and Veg	Quorn Chilli with Rice and Sweetcorn	Pizza Choice of: Cheese & Tomato, Pepperoni Served with Sweetcorn/Peas & Chips
	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling. (Choice of up to 2 fillings - Cheese, Tuna, Beans)	Sandwiches Choice of: Ham, Ham & Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Cheese, Egg Mayo Served with a Cheese String & Crisps	Jacket Potato with a choice of filling. (Choice of up to 2 fillings - Cheese, Tuna, Beans)	Panini Choice of: BBQ Chicken, Ham, Cheese, Tuna Served with Sausage Roll & Waffles	Fish Fingers with Sweetcorn/Peas & Chips
WEEK 2 07.09.26 28.09.26 19.10.26 09.11.26 30.11.26	Chicken Curry with Rice and Mini Poppadoms	Quorn Nugget Wrap and Tortilla Chips	Sausage & Mash with Yorkshire Pudding & Veg	Spaghetti & Meatballs with Garlic Bread	Burger or Hotdog Day Choice of: Beef Burger, Chicken Burger, Veggie Burger, Fish Burger, Hotdog Served with Curly Fries and Peas
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WEEK 3 14.09.26 05.10.26 26.10.26 16.11.26 07.12.26	Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread	Chicken Fajita Wrap & Salad	Roast Gammon with Buttery New Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding & Veg	Steak/Chicken Bake with Waffles	Pizza Choice of: Cheese & Tomato, Pepperoni Served with Sweetcorn/Peas & Chips
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