



AUTUMN TERM (1)

Monday 14TH September 2026

ISSUE 2

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week we focused on the value of responsibility. The pupils learnt what is meant by responsibility and how they could demonstrate it, both at home and at school. We love to hear about how the children are showing and sharing our school values at home. You can let us know when the pupils are showing the focus values at home using Class Dojo.

Each week I will be including the pupils who have achieved the Headteacher's Award in the school newsletter. As well as receiving their headteacher's award certificate, pupils will also be invited to the special headteacher's breakfast on a Thursday morning.

We have been seeing a number of pupils coming into school with jewelry over the past week. Please ensure that all jewelry remains at home and does not come into school. Thank you for your support!

Finally, just a reminder that 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.

Have a great week!

Kind regards

Mr M Hooper
Headteacher



Values at Stepping Stones The Value of the week is Reflection

This week our focused value will be reflection and we will be teaching and showing the children what this can mean, daily. They will learn that reflecting means to think carefully about something. It could be what has gone well and what could be done differently.

Please remember to let us know when your child has been able to show our values at home. We really do want to celebrate home nominations for our Values' Board in school each week. Simply message the class teacher via Class Dojo for a home nomination which will be read out and celebrated at daily class meeting.



	This week's Headteacher awards are as follows: Thomas Leo Hermione
Class Dojo 	Our main form of communication with home is via Class Dojo. This is a free app where you can link to the school. 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.
School Uniform 	A reminder about our expectations around the school uniform: On return for our 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. • 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.
Behaviour and Safety 	Our three school rules are - Be respectful - Be Safe - Complete your learning / tasks to a good standard. Please can you encourage and praise your child at home for working hard. 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.
	October: Black History Month – the children will be learning about this during their English lessons.



15th October World Values Day

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