



# Hopelands Preparatory School

38/40 Regent Street, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 2AD

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

November	
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup>	Stonehouse Goodwill Festival
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Swimming Gala – 12 children from Y5 and Y6
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Swimming Gala – Years 1/2/3/4
Weds 4 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle 2pm at St Cyrs, leaving school at 1.30
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	Trip to Bacon Theatre – Reception/Year1/Year2
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Concert – Stonehouse Court Hotel, 1.30
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of school!

## In this week:

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- FOH Quiz night

## Lost Property

Can you please keep an eye out for the following lost items:

- Yellow pencil case with pens/pencils inside
- PE polo top and black & white Nike trainers
- 3 sets of boy's navy tracksuit bottoms, age 9-10
- PE polo top – labelled Agnes Morley

## Stamps!

Please remember to keep any used stamps and post them in the letter box on the table in the entrance foyer – these will raise vital funds for the Pied Piper Appeal. Thank you.



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## Stonehouse Goodwill Festival

Just a reminder that this year's Goodwill Festival is taking place tomorrow Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

For everyone singing can you please meet in front of the Medical Centre at 3.30pm ready to sing at 3.50pm, for approximately 20 mins. Miss White will have a lantern ready for you for those wishing to take part in the lantern procession. Please note all children must be in full school uniform, thank you.



## Christingle by Miss White

We are all looking forward to the Christingle Service on Friday the 6th, and the wonderful smell of oranges and Christmas will soon be filling the air. We would love to hear from any parents who would be happy to volunteer as walker helpers to and/or from the church on the day. If you can help in any way at all, please email me on [jwhite@hopelands.org.uk](mailto:jwhite@hopelands.org.uk) or speak to your child's class teacher.

"Children see magic because they look for it." However, as we all know, crossing the road in Stonehouse is not necessarily the time to be looking for magic - or maybe it is? Children are always happy to surprise us, and they will be very excited as they walk to church, so all offers of help are very welcome. We will be leaving school at 1.30pm.

Here is Hannah looking fantastic in her Santa Lucia costume ready for the Christingle service.





## Stonehouse Pensioner Group

Every Christmas the whole school walk down to the Stonehouse Community Centre, to sing Christmas songs to the Stonehouse Pensioners Club. The younger children have great fun dressing up and performing their nativity. This is always a lovely occasion and one that all the children and staff look forward to. This years' highlight was when one of the angels loudly declared that he had forgotten where he had put 'Baby Jesus' which tickled members of the Pensioners Club!

Great fun was had by all and it was a lovely way to start the Christmas period. Afterwards the children sat with the club and talked to them over a well-deserved drink and biscuit. The Pensioners club really enjoyed it and one of the ladies said watching the children was the highlight of her year. A special thank you to Mrs Carter for all the lovely singing!



## Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone for all the recent fundraising activities for Longfield Hospice in memory of Mrs Jane Barrett. Through the coffee morning, Lily & Me sale and the Bake-off cake competition £376.96 was raised. An amazing result and the hospice were incredibly grateful. A special thank you to Friends of Hopelands for their hard work and support, it is hugely appreciated. We know Jane would have been super touched by everyone's generosity, thank you.



## Guitar Lessons

A space has become available for guitar lessons. If anyone would like their child to have guitar tuition please let the office know, thank you.



## Friends of Hopelands Quiz Night by Mr Harbottle

I just wanted to say a big thank you to all those who attended the quiz night last Friday. We all had a fantastic time with lots of laughs and merriment. A special mention to the teachers who stayed on after school to support us again and to Tina Benson for being our quiz master.

The winning team this year was the **Ben-Howe-Steagers** who very kindly donated their winning £50 back to FOH! So, thank you very much indeed.

