

# Stogursey C of E Primary and Pre-School



"Let your light shine" Mt5 v16

## Meet the children who are leading the way at Stogursey School

At Stogursey CE Primary School we want children to have opportunities to play a role in the decisions that affect them. We recognise the importance of children taking ownership of their learning and being involved in school decision-making. The children care about the issues that affect them in school and in their community and we encourage them to be active young citizens. We ensure that they have a strong voice in the running of their school and have a chance to develop leadership skills. All the children are expected to contribute positively to school life, and some have important leadership roles in school. The Smart School Council are elected by the children and help decide on and lead clubs in school, running a range of activities across the school year. The House Captains are elected by the children in their houses and the Collective Worship Crew take a leadership role in setting up the hall for worship, choosing and reading songs or write and lead prayers.

#### The Smart School Council



Smart School Council communication team Connie, Chloe, Jacob, Harry, Olivia and Emily

The Smart School Council invite the whole school to suggest ideas for clubs and activities. Then they have set them up and organised them. This term they have offered a football club and a drama club at lunchtime. Each club has a teacher who sponsors the club and helps to run them. "We think about the equipment we are going to need and then we do research to find what we need and how much it will cost. We have to ask the teachers if we can buy it. Sometimes we can have what we need, but sometimes they are too expensive, like the football goals that were £49 each."

Each child on the Smart School Council has their own role. To be chosen for the Smart School Council the children had to fill in a form talking about what they were good at and what they liked. Key skills are being a team player, organised and being good at communicating. They have regular meetings with their classmates and the teachers.

"We have learned that we can try new things, how to make things more fun. We've taught people things and we've learned how to negotiate. We've learned how to work with other people to get things done and how to overcome problems."

Do you have a couple of hours a week to spare?
Stogursey School is looking for volunteers to read with children at school.
Please contact the school office for more information.

#### **House captains**

One girl and one boy from year six lead their houses as house captains.

"Our role as house captain is to lead our team and to add up the house points. Every Friday we collect house points and we move up a table. We win the trophy when we get to the top of the chart. Last year it was all the kings and queens of England. Now it's musicians. Perhaps we'll suggest who is on the chart next time."

To become the house captains, they had to face an election and each candidate made a speech to the whole school outlining what they would bring to the role.

"I was nervous speaking in front of the whole school, I had about a week to prepare. I said that I was good with people, I'm kind and responsible and a good listener."



House Captains Emily and Daniel, Will and Grace, and Junior and Matilda

The house captains agreed these are important qualities adding that they need to never give up and be encouraging. "We're fiercely competitive! And we also encourage everyone to take part and not to be scared."

### **The Collective Worship Crew**

Pupils who help to support the delivery of acts of worship are known in our school as 'The Collective Worship Crew'. Each child has a different role, from preparing the music, and helping with the technology.

"We keep the displays and pictures up to date and we all help with the collective worship assemblies. We are all prepared to perform to help bring bible stories to life."

"It's an amazing job to do. You have to think about what is good about assembly and sometimes give the teachers feedback."

"Being in the collective worship crew has helped me to feel more confident."



Bronte, Tom, Riley, Will and Matilda

#### PRE-SCHOOL

Stogursey Pre-School is based at Stogursey CE Primary School and serves Stogursey and the surrounding villages. Our Pre-School is set up with quality resources, carefully matched to a young child's needs and developmental stages.

We aim to provide a welcoming and caring place, a beautiful stimulating environment for children from 2 years with interested and interesting adults, who are sensitive to the needs of young children.

Please contact school for more details: 01278 732389