

Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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Attendance

Class 1: 95%

Class 2: 95%

Class 4: 89%

Class 5: 98%

Class 6: 93%

Class 7: 95%

Class 8: 93%

**Our target
attendance
is 96%**

**This
week's
attendance
is
94%**

What's happening in school next week?

- It's Road Safety Week in school.
- Parent/Teacher Consultation phone calls continue next week. We have found they have worked well so far and teachers have enjoyed speaking with parents. It would be good to get some feedback from yourselves re how they have gone. We will send a short survey monkey questionnaire to gather your views at the end of next week.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 7 on Tuesday afternoon next week. She is also teaching Class 6 on Friday afternoon.
- First reading and phonic session for parents on **Tuesday 24th November at 1.30pm**. This is for our new Reception parents but anyone who didn't manage to attend one last autumn is very welcome to join. The links are below. Please remember to 'book in' via the survey monkey link. This is just so we can make sure we get the resources to you. We currently have parents of 12 of our reception children signed up.
- Reading and Phonic Session No 2 is on Wednesday at 6.00pm. (Warning, my dog may interrupt this session, or try to join in, so I will apologize now!)
- Mr. Barker is teaching Class 5 on Wednesday afternoon.
- On Thursday, everyone should come to school in the brightest clothes they have. No need for colour co-ordination. It's for Be Bright, Be Seen day.
- Mrs. Hutchinson is doing some training on Thursday morning so Miss S Rogers will teach Class 8.
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with children from Class 2.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 4 on Friday.

Well done Class 5

Sickness Bug

I sought advice from Public Health Sheffield re the number of cases we had in a short space of time. Here is their advice.

"We have had several schools ask a similar question as apparently the DfE are now asking about this. The symptoms of Covid haven't changed but there are some cases where people are experiencing sickness and diarrhoea, fatigue, headache or sore throat in the days preceding Covid symptoms. Public Health (PH) Sheffield have asked the DfE to clarify PH advice to schools but at present, if parents are concerned, then the child should stay at home and book a test."

This may mean we have more children off but better safe than sorry.

**Many thanks to parents who have taken time to
talk to teachers this week about their child's progress.**

- Class 5 have Forest School on Friday.

Looking ahead to the w.b. 30th November 2020

- Class 6 are off out on a local walk on Wednesday morning. This is being staffed by adults in school so we don't contaminate bubbles.
- Chris Standley will be in school on Thursday playing games with Class 2.
- Class 5 have Forest School on Friday.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week.....

Lillie Dowde. You could not wish to meet a more good-natured, helpful, positive smiley little girl. She's a real pleasure to have and an asset to our school.

Nursery News

We hope you all enjoyed your rather unique gingerbread men that came home. He has been a big feature in Nursery over the last few days. We have painted him, modelled him, drawn him, read about him and sewn him. Regularly through the week, we have heard 'Run, run as fast as you can.....' ringing out through Nursery.

Superstar of the Week

Wrenn Boden-Roebuck: Wrenn has grown in confidence. She has become such a sensible, helpful young lady who knows how to listen and share what she knows.



Who has celebrated their birthday since our last newsletter?

Albie Whittaker, Georgia Woodhouse, Ebony Kangley, Nova Butler, Elissa Nicholson, Annie James, Maja Plenik Mastalerz, Miss Rogers and Mrs Swallow.

Happy birthday to all these lovely children and grown-ups.

Bringing things into school

It's very kind of the children to make pictures and buns for staff but at the moment we can't accept these in school. Why not take a photo and share on EvidenceMe or Seesaw, and enjoy the buns at home. Thank you.

Ordering Uniform: We have it in stock if you want to complete and order form and hand it in. Alternatively, you can order it on line here at www.schooltrends.co.uk/uniform/StocksbridgeNurseryInfantSchoolS361EJ



This week's praise board



Here is who the grown-ups have spotted this week.

Sophie Barber and Alana Platts took it upon themselves to sweep up the mud from Class 4 wellies. They'd got themselves organised before a grown-up got the the task.

Emily Chappell for always being so kind to others in her class.

Georgia Woodhouse for helping a friend when they were upset. She took them to play with her and another friend which really made them smile.

Finley Wright has a cheery smile and a wave for everyone he meets.

Seb Gill is such a helpful little guy – always.

Ebony Kangley, Darcy Ruddlesdin and Maisie Randall – thank you for setting out the cutlery each lunchtime and for making sure everyone has their water bottle.

Zachery Pickering, thank you for always being so enthusiastic about your learning.

Lillia Hall is always polite and has such lovely manners.

Alfie Kaine and Ruby Donoghue for always being so upbeat when they come into school.

Noah Siddall is very polite and always says hello to the adults he sees in school.

Sonny Bradbury for being very grown up coming into school at the end of the week.



Christmas

Sheffield Public Health are working on some guidance for schools around what we can do to celebrate Christmas with the children. We've already started on some plans and will work with their advice to make sure what we do is Covid safe.

A couple of parents have asked me about children bringing in Christmas cards. Given that the levels of Covid are still high, and we have done so well in school with just one isolated case, I think it better that we don't accept Christmas cards this year. We would have to quarantine them coming in and then you would have to quarantine them coming home. It could open up the potential of a lot of transmission and it's just not worth the risk.

In the summer, we accepted gifts. We quarantined these but we had far fewer children in school and it was easier to organize. We had more space. Again, I think it would be safer and wiser, not to send in gifts for staff.

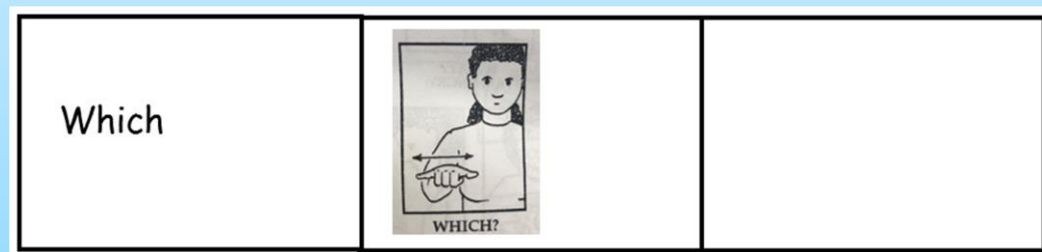
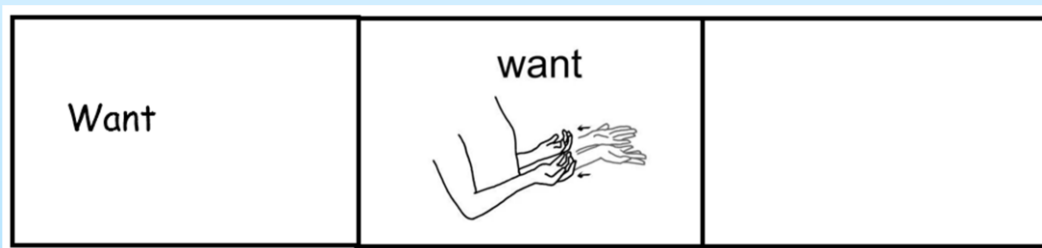


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Miss Cowley's Weekly Makaton Lesson

Here are the signs we've been learning this week.



If any of the children want to send in a little film clip of themselves signing, we'd love to see it.

Reporting Absences:

We're up to 70 users now. Thank you to everyone who has registered and is using the app. It's making our lives easier.

Get the app or register <https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

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Contact Details

Many of the contact phone numbers we have for parents are incorrect. This has come to light as teachers try to ring for parents' evening consultations. If your number has changed, please get in touch with the school office so we can update our records. Many thanks.

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Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Traditional sausage & mash with gravy	Winter chicken casserole	Roast chicken with roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding & gravy	Homemade beef & onion pie with mashed potato & gravy	Battered fish fillet & chips with tomato ketchup
Dish of the day 2	Vegetable sausage & mash	Cheese & tomato pizza with ½ jacket potato	Quorn roast with roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding & gravy.	Macaroni cheese	Vegetable curry & wholegrain rice.
Oven baked jacket potato	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)	Jacket potato with tuna mayo or cheese (V) or baked beans (V)
Sandwich option	Ham sandwich	Ham on breadcake	Ham sandwich	Ham on breadcake	Ham sandwich
	Tuna sandwich	Tuna on breadcake	Tuna sandwich	Tuna on breadcake	Tuna sandwich
	(V) Cheese sandwich	(V) Cheese on breadcake	(V) Cheese sandwich	(V) Cheese on breadcake	(V) Cheese sandwich
Vegetables	Cauliflower & mixed veg	Broccoli & winter coleslaw	Savoy cabbage & sweetcorn	Green beans & carrots	Garden peas & baked beans
Desserts	Ginger sponge & custard	Fruity flapjack & apple slices	Chocolate sponge & chocolate sauce.	Vanilla sponge & custard	Shortbread biscuit & fruit wedges

Covid-19

Each week all schools, colleges, child minders and early years settings receive an email from Andrew Jones who is the interim Director of Education and Skills for Sheffield City Council. It has proved invaluable in keeping all places of education informed and together in our approaches. This week he has asked us to send two reminders to parents.

The first is around if anyone has symptoms. You must self-isolate, get a test and return home straight after the test. The household should self-isolate and children and young people should not come into school. The reminder is because there have been an increasing number of cases where pupils have gone back to school whilst they wait for the results. (This hasn't happened at our school. Thank you parents!).

We have also been asked to remind you that class bubbles **do not** mean that children and young people can meet up out of school. Playdates and sleepovers with children from the same friendship groups or school classes should not be taking place. The bubbles in school are to support contact tracing and to minimize risk of transmission. Outside of school, pupils should not be mixing. This follows the current national restrictions that are in place.

I think the latter may be taking place from comments made by children in school about who is coming around for tea.

Let us hope that on the 3rd December we have done enough to reduce the R and restrictions can be loosened so children can enjoy one another's company out of school.

Many thanks to parents who have taken time to
talk to teachers this week about their child's progress.

The sickness bug has affected attendance this week. Class 5 seem to have been less effected.



Mealtime Supervisor Vacancy

Are you interested in helping a class of children have a safe, happy lunchtime? We have a vacancy for a Mealtime Supervisor, starting in January 2021. Our Mealtime Supervisors work for 1 ½ hours per day, 38 weeks per year. The pay scale is Grade 2 and is currently £17,942 - £18,198 pro rata. The salary is adjusted to take account of the Living Wage. If you are interested in the post, please make contact with school in the first instance by Friday 27th November.

Fundraising

Many thanks for your support with Hello Yellow and Children in Need. We raised £123 for Hello Yellow, the charity that supports young people with mental health needs. We raised £284.17 for Children in Need.

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Reading and Phonic Information Sessions

Parents of our Reception children are invited to join me for a reading and phonic information session. Sounds serious, but I promise to make it light hearted and fun. All the sessions will be via zoom. They should last around 30-45 minutes.

We ran these last year and parents found them useful to find out how we teach reading and phonics in school. Although we're running these sessions for Reception parents, anyone is welcome to join.

Here are the dates, times and zoom links for the sessions.

24th November 1.30pm:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71941185283?pwd=eHJYTXU0Kzcyay85eWU2YTRQVTlwdz09>

Meeting ID: 719 4118 5283

Passcode: 7VALUm

25th November 6.00pm

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71367324612?pwd=YjFQNUFISVlJZytPTk0zWIINWIRhUT09>

Meeting ID: 713 6732 4612

Passcode: 6rRGrW

26th November 10.00am

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73641585680?pwd=RTZxN2tYRUZZaUppcC9TMFNCTXVUQT09>

Meeting ID: 736 4158 5680

Passcode: 4iHkU0

Please click this [link](#) to let school know, via Survey Monkey, which session you are attending. This is to ensure we send you all the supporting documents beforehand. Thank you.

We will record one of the sessions and put it on our website for everyone to see if they wish.

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