



Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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Our school events on the [calendar](#) on the website.

What's happening in school next week?

- We will begin our phonics lessons next week.
- Mrs. Taylor will be teaching Class 8 on Tuesday 14th September.
- If you'd like to hear more about how we teach reading and phonics, we are running a short session for parents at 9.00am on Tuesday (14th September). We'll do it via zoom. A link will be sent with today's email. There will also be a session on Thursday at 2.00pm in the school hall. These sessions are open to all but especially important for our Reception parents and parents of children who have joined us this September from other schools.
- Mrs. Townsend is not in school on Tuesday afternoon – first aid refresher training!
- Wednesday is International Dot Day. We'll do some learning linked to a lovely book called The Dot. You can hear the story [here](#).
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 3 on Thursday morning as Mr. Barker is at a meeting.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- Class 1 will have Forest School on Friday.

Attendance

Class 1: 99%

Class 2: 95%

Class 3: 96%

Class 5: 97%

Class 6: 95%

Class 7: 96%

Class 8: 97%

**Our target
attendance
is 96%**

**This
week's
attendance
is**

96.4%

Well done Class 1

We are working with an Educational Welfare Officer (EWO) this year. His name is Dale Edwardes. We've had our first meeting and have reviewed those children who had attendance below 90% last year. We've also reviewed punctuality. If your child did have attendance below 90% or poor punctuality last year, you'll shortly receive a letter letting you know this.

If you have any questions or queries in terms of attendance you are welcome to contact school anytime or ring Dale on 07885972039

Looking ahead to the w.b. 20th September 2021

The assembly theme is Me and My Family.

Tuesday is World Gratitude Day; we'll weave that into assembly.

Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday 22nd September.

Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 22nd September.

On Thursday 23rd September we are running a little workshop on how to teach children correct letter formation. It will be very informal. Pop along if you can. It's really important we teach children to write letters in the correct way right from the start as it's a difficult skill to unlearn. We'll rerun the session at 2.00pm on Tuesday 28th September.

Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Thursday 23rd September.

Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 24th September. Further information below.

Class 1 have Forest School on Friday.

Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday

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

Flora Wilkinson. Flora is **always** so kind and helpful. She was so calm this week when helping a friend who had fallen over. She looked after her brilliantly and comforted her. Flora would make a wonderful nurse!

Nursery News

It has been wonderful to welcome almost all our Nursery children this week. They have come to play like they have been here forever and their happy smiles and confidence has grown; it's been a pleasure to see. It looks like we are going to have lots of fun ahead.

Star of the Week

Harry Stokes. What a kind young man Harry is. He shares toys with his new friends and is always there to lend a hand when it is tidy up time. What a great start to Nursery Harry!

Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 24th September.

We've supported this event for a long time in school and it's nice to be able to do it again. We like to involve all the children. We'd love for you to donate buns, biscuits or cakes for us to share equally among the children. We've set up parent pay so you can make a donation. Obviously we'll do it in a Covid-safe way, I think that goes without saying.

Celebrating a bit of normality

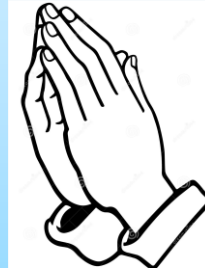
I can't tell you how lovely it was to take assembly this week in front of children instead of a screen. We've learned the names of all our new grown-ups and talked about how to make each other feel welcome in school. We've also done hymn singing and learned Kum ba yah. Ellie Capper gasped when she heard it sung for the first time because she thought it was so beautiful and Classes 1 & 2 clapped spontaneously. Here are the Makaton signs we've learned with the hymn.



Lord or God



Sing



Praying



Hungry

Could children in Class 1 & 2 please bring in a named photograph of themselves as a baby next week? Alternatively it can be emailed to Miss Palmer and Mrs. McGhee.

Tweak of the Week: Remember your manners – say please and thank you.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Macaroni cheese with homemade garlic bread	Suasages with mashed potatoes and gravy	Roast chicken with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Kashmiri beef with wholegrain rice	Homemade cheese pizza with chips and tomato sauce
Dish of the day 2	Vegetarian chilli wedge bake	Vegetarian sausage with mashed potato and gravy	Quorn roast with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Quorn burger in a bun with jacket wedges and tomato sauce	Bean bake with chips and tomato sauce
Oven baked jacket potato	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo
Sandwich option	Egg	Ham	Ham	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches
	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Carrots & sweetcorn	Green beans & cauliflower	Peas & carrots	Green beans & sweetcorn	Peas & baked beans
Desserts	Marble sponge and ice cream	Chocolate pinwheel shortbread & choc sauce	Jelly & mandarins	Cornflake tart with custard	Chocolate shortbread biscuit with apple wedges

Celebrating Children's Achievements out of school:



Dancing and fishing this week!

Reading Achievements

Well done to Georgia Woodhouse, Jake Wragg, Henry Hollis, Hermione Merrywest & Kit Parsons who completed the Summer Reading Bingo Challenge. All the children read lots and lots of books over the 6 week holiday. Well done to you all. Prizes were awarded this afternoon.



Studybugs for reporting absence

You are welcome to telephone school to report your child's absence. Alternatively you can use an app called Studybugs. You can get the app or register online [here](#). It is really quick and easy to use. It helps us know sooner if your child is unaccounted for. Studybugs helps the [NHS and Public Health](#) organisations by collecting information on illnesses. We get a weekly update in school and it helps us to see whether there are any patterns or prevalent illnesses in the area which we can then alert parents too.



PE Lessons started for some classes this week inside and out. It's a popular lesson for lots of the children. Here's reminder of the day your child is doing PE. Remember to send them in their PE kit.

	Indoor PE	Outdoor PE
Class 1	Tuesday	Monday
Class 2	Monday	Wednesday
Class 3	Friday	Thursday
The Orchard	Wednesday	Tuesday
Class 5	Monday	Friday
Class 6	Thursday	Wednesday
Class 7	Thursday	Friday
Class 8	Tuesday	Thursday
Nursery	Tuesday & Friday	

Our Nursery children do not need to come in PE kits. Our children in The Orchard won't be starting PE just yet. Miss Swift and Miss Cowley will let you know when. Our Nursery and Orchard children have access to lots of physical development each day outside. They're not missing out by not starting just yet.

Hungry Little Minds

This website has lots of ideas to do with children from birth to 5 years old.

<https://hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk/>

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Covid & Remote Learning

We have had 4 positive cases in children since we started back last week. None of the children are related. The children are in different classes and there is no link or transmission within school. Thank you to parents who have kept children at home whilst waiting for a PCR result. Whilst this isn't in the 'guidance', I'd like to encourage it to reduce the risk of transmission in school. I don't want our children to have Covid, I really don't want our staff to have Covid. We have some regular supply teachers and support who we can call, adults who the children are familiar with. I don't really like to call on supply agencies, mainly because our young children don't know the staff and that's hard for them, all the time, but especially at the moment as they are settling into new classes with new adults and new routines. Our regular supply list isn't vast.

We are collecting information about our cases so that should we have 5 'linked' cases within 10 days, or 10% of children who are within close contact of each other (3 in one class for examples), we can notify Sheffield Public Health who will support us in what we need to do. When you ring to let us know about your child Covid wise, we have to ask you a series of questions; vaccination status, symptomatic or asymptomatic, date of onset of symptoms if symptomatic, date of LFT swap if applicable, date of PCR swab, last date in school. We will also ask whether your child is well enough to engage with remote learning, whether you need to borrow any IT hardware to allow your child access and whether you will log your child on three times each day to access live teaching. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals we will arrange a hamper for you.

Drinks and Snacks

Just a reminder to send the children with water in their bottles, not juice or fizzy drinks. Thanks. We also have a healthy school snack policy. If you are sending grapes please remember to cut them in half, length ways.

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Fresh fruit	Fresh vegetables	Dried Fruit	Hard cheese	Cream crackers	Unaccompanied breadsticks



This week's praise board



India Hall-Mattis for telling grown-ups how much she is enjoying her new school.

George Pedlar for his excellent manners around school.

Ava Jones dazzled everyone with her amazing symmetrical painting of a butterfly.

George Griggs for being Class 5's Ipad monitor and getting them all sorted for the day.

Reggie Griggs for coming into school with a smile on his face.



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Harris for comforting another child who was missing their friend.

Charlie Beebee-George, Joe Steele-Petts and Evie Shepherd for singing their hearts out when Class 2 learnt two new songs.

Aeuther Pymer-Bish for making amazing Lego models.

Sonny Bradbury for telling Mrs Ollerenshaw all about the frogs he found in the meadow.

Mrs Priest wants to thank Class 7 for how well they've settled in. They are enjoying their days in school.

Henry Warren for following the Golden Rule of 'We listen.'

Isayah Scales for always having a smile on his face when he comes into class. He has the most amazing manners.

Florence Brown is the best tidy upper. She is never far from the dustpan and brush.

Harmony Buck and Alicia-Fifi Kiffin for settling into our school so brilliantly.

Class 8 for settling into school so quickly. It's lovely to see them walking in each morning with a smile.

Ada-Lily Fiddler for being so kind and helpful. She showed some new children where the toilets are.

Ashton-Jay Millington for telling mum all about his school day.

Taliana Tshibangu for being confident and chatty with the grown-ups.

Harriet Tibbles for wearing her white t-shirt for PE. She looked super smart.

Corey Brookes made Miss Palmer and Miss Cryer smile when he brought in flowers for them.

Emmie Capper for her appreciation of Mrs T's singing.

Seb Gill for taking his time to paint a masterpiece Elmer the Elephant.

George Swales for doing fantastic home learning and always joining in the live sessions with such enthusiasm.

Max Briggs has come back to school with added confidence. He's been a real shining star.

Elodie Proctor for putting her arm around a friend and looking after them when they were upset.

Milo Bond has been wonderful at tidying up this week.

Leo Priestley made Miss Rogers smile when he told her he loved her t-shirt.

Daisy-Anne Todd Greenfield has done some amazing writing this week about under the sea.

Annie James for helping to clean and tidy Class 1.

Zac-Riley Evison has wowed the grown-ups with his maths knowledge.

Amelia Powlesland for creating a gift for someone in class.

Wellies and Outdoor Play

Over the course of each week, the children are timetabled in their double/triple bubbles to play outside in the small yard, the big yard and on the field. There'll come a time when we have to review this because of the weather but at the moment we are making the most of the space we have. Even if it's damp or raining, the children will still use the field. It's really important that every child really needs a pair of named wellies in school.

Something as simple as every child having a pair of named wellies under their peg makes a massive difference to how well the children (and staff) cope. We don't have to go on the hunt for spares that fit. We don't have to figure out who the unnamed ones belong too. So, if you haven't already done so, would you please send in a pair (named) next week to help us keep the children dry and stop us losing our sanity! Thank you.

