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Attendance

Class 1: 98%

Class 2: 95%

Class 3: 92%

Class 4: 83%

Class 5: 98%

Class 6: 89%

Class 7: 90%

Class 8: 86%

**Our target
attendance
is 96%**

**This
week's
attendance
is
91.4%**

What's happening in school next week?

- The assembly theme will be 'Space'.
- Mrs. Townsend is available on Monday 4th October at 2.00pm, to show around parents considering sending their children to Nursery and/or school in September 2022.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Tuesday 5th October.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday 6th October.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 26th October in the morning and Class 2 in the afternoon.
- The 7th October is Autumn Census day in schools. If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals and you haven't already applied, please do as ASAP as this information has to be included on the census.
- Miss Tonks will be teaching Class 5 on Friday
- Class 1 will have Forest Schools on Friday.

**Well done
Classes 1 & 6**

Looking ahead to the w.b. 11th October 2021

- The assembly theme is Harvest.
- Mrs. Townsend is available on Monday 11th October at 2.00pm to show any parents around who are considering sending their children to Nursery or Reception in September 2022.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 8 on Tuesday 12th October.
- The school nursing service will be in school on Tuesday 12th October administering Flu Immunisations for Reception, Year One and Year Two children.
- Our KS1 (Year One and Two) children are invited to take part in a sports event at Stocksbridge High School on Tuesday 12th October, 3.00-5.00pm. More details to follow.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday 13th October.
- Miss. S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday morning and Class 2 on Wednesday afternoon.
- Dr Bike (AKA Amy Barron-Hall) is in school on Thursday morning (14th October). She comes each year to service any of your bikes and scooters. We'll send information re where to put them if you'd like her to check yours over.
- Class 1 have Forest School on Friday 15th October.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday (15th October)

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Sameer Sajid. He was incredibly sensible and helpful this week helping to sort out a problem. He proved he was reliable and honest. Thank you Sameer.

Nursery News

After enjoying the Funnybones story together we have made skeletons indoors and out, learnt about the different parts of our bodies and dug for bones in the sand. We brushed our finds carefully like archaeologists and checked their sizes on our charts. We have also had our first PE lesson in the hall. It was great!

Star of the Week

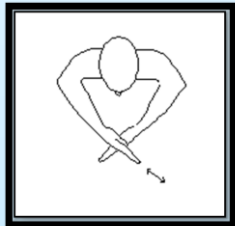
Parker Burt. Whatever Parker does, he does it with a smile on his face and an enthusiasm he should be proud of. As Parker has settled into Nursery he has started to try new things with much more confidence and he is always there to lend a hand if a job needs doing.

Makaton signs this week

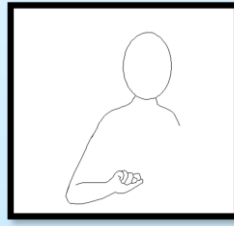
Rehearsals for Harvest Festival are in progress. Here are the signs for A Farmer's Life.



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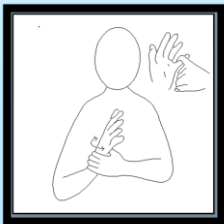
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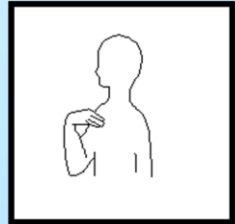
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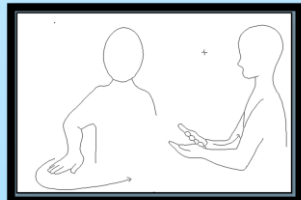
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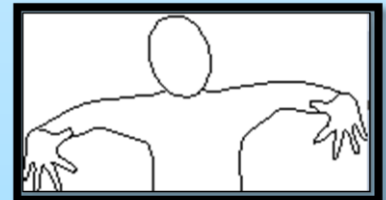
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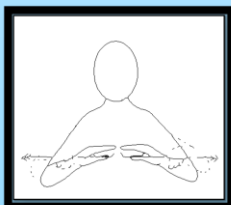
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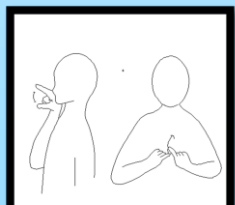
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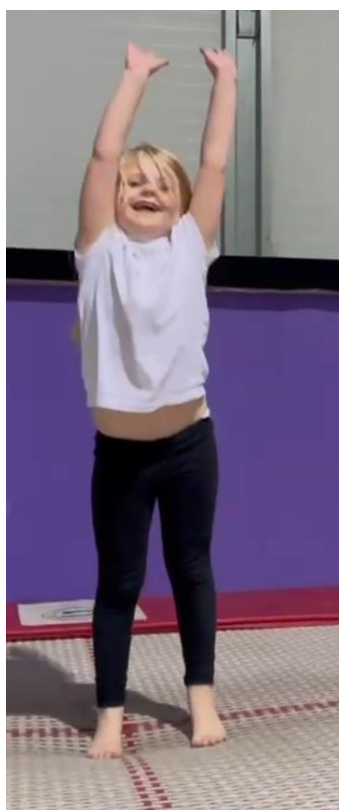
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Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Macaroni cheese with homemade garlic bread	Suasages with mashed potatoes and gravy	Roast chicken with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Kashmiri beef with wholegrain rice	Homemade cheese 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:



This young lady is rather marvelous at trampolining. She can do a seat drop to seat drop and finish in style!

Harris King is mighty proud of his 5m swimming certificate. Watch out Adam Peaty!

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you for all the donations of buns, cakes, biscuits and money. We raised an incredible £267.25



Jewellery, toys and precious things

A reminder to parents that the children should not wear jewellery for school other than small stud earrings. Earrings have to be removed on days when the children have PE. We ask that children don't bring in toys or precious items as it causes upset and disruption amongst the other children especially if things go missing.

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The advertisement is a blue rectangular box. At the top, it features a cartoon bird holding a blue envelope. Below this, the text "Please get the free Studybugs app for reporting your child's absence due to illness." is centered. Underneath is the website URL "https://studybugs.com". A row of three logos follows: "Download on the App Store", "GET IT ON Google Play", and "Get it from Microsoft". Below these are four lines of text: "Report sickness, receive guidance, help improve children's health", "See what illnesses are going around", and "Secure system, all communications encrypted". At the bottom, it says "Working in partnership with:" followed by logos for NHS, Brighton and Sussex Medical School, Brighton & Hove City Council, and EPT. The Studybugs logo, which includes a green shield with a white cross, is in the bottom right corner.

Illnesses in School

You can use this app to report your child's absence. It saves you a phone call and using up precious credit.

Nursery Places – January 2022

If your child turns three before 31st December 2021 they are eligible for a 15 or 30 hour place in Nursery from January 2022. If you have yet to register your child with our office team, and you'd like a place, we ask that you do so ASAP as we will begin organizing this very shortly.



This week's praise board



Alfie Bishop for asking thoughtful questions that move his learning on.

Laila Palmer - for dazzling us with her writing. She thinks really carefully about what she wants to write. She says it out loud then thinks carefully about all the sounds she can hear.

India Hall-Mattis for settling so well into her new class and for drawing Mrs. Heavens a gorgeous little picture!

Bella Harkness - for helping a friend in class when they were feeling a bit sad and unwell.

Odin Allen always has the best manners when he's eating his lunch.

Luca Tawade is the best tidier upper in Class 6!

Annie Wright. Thank you for being a good friend to anyone who needs you.

Alicia-Fifi Kiffin helped the class by remembering last week's PE lesson and demonstrating what they had learned for everyone else.

Elliott Lonigro for asking to read and share his knowledge.

Nathaniel Tym for looking out for another child in Class 1.

Daisy-Anne Todd Greenfield for picking up all the paper towels.

Class 1 for showing compassion and understanding when learning about people with disabilities in their PHSE lesson this week.

Siena Shepherd is so helpful in the mornings whilst she is waiting for Nursery to open. She has become our official 'bike lady' and we are so grateful for her help.

Athena Fort has been a maths whizz this week. She did some amazing counting and addition work.

Charlotte Armitage is always willing to help the grown-ups. She's a great little helper.

Ruben Moore was very kind and taught another child how to play Class 8's special number game.

Alice Spencer makes the grown-ups smile, with her enthusiasm for GoNoodle. She always sings the songs after when she is playing.

Keegan Hanson for counting the school fish and saying what colours they all are.

Jahvan Orr-Swaby and Ahrea Bowen for working together so well in maths to understand complex partitioning.

Harris King and Alex Frost for super partner work on vocabulary related to our English story.

Charlie Beebee-George for his thoughtful answers during our carpet time.

Well done to Jax Brown for coming into school every morning this week in such a positive manner.

Thank you to Lawrence Tibbles for coming up with the fantastic idea of putting on a class show. Class 7 are now very busy organising this.





This week's praise board



Well done Vinnie Gibson for learning new routines in school and being more independent.

Thank you to Pippa Guy, Erin Kerfoot, Clayton Bullimore, Logan Cordon, Elysia Holmes and Alex Hunt for joining in with every single learning activity, and with smiles on your faces. Your enthusiasm for learning is gorgeous.

Thank you to all those lovely children who say hello and speak with Mrs Priest even though they are not in her class. You make her smile.

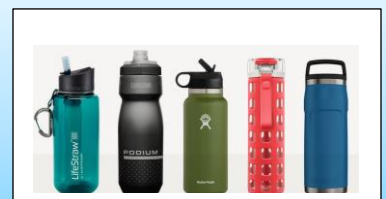


Congratulations to the following children who completed this summer's reading challenge. Mrs McNaught (from Stocksbridge Library) came up to school this week to deliver and present certificates.

Theo Davies, Emily Grayson, Mair Marshall-Gane, Nathaniel Tym, Oliver Collins, Lillie Dowde, Henry Hollis, Emily Veale, Sophia Watkinson, Jake Wragg, Hermione Merrywest, Georgia Woodhouse, Mollie Steele-Birch, Dollie Bowskill, Lottie Durant, Oliver Housley, Emilie Lamb, Stanley White, Sam Wood, Jack Woodhouse, Fern Bradshaw, Ashton-Jay Millington, Charlotte Armitage, Bridie Nance, Pearl Wright, Oliver Staniforth and Shay Millington.

Water Bottles

A reminder just to send water in bottles please and not sugary drinks. Thank you.



School Photos

On Wednesday 6th October Steve Cooper is coming into school to take individual photos of the children. We will also arrange for him to take photos of siblings unless we get a sudden virus outbreak.

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Meet some of our School Governors

Over the next couple of weeks we'll introduce you to some of our school governors. We'll let you know the best way to contact them should you wish to.



Matt Collins is our Chair of Governors. He is a parent governor. He is usually around at the end of school on Fridays (near the main office gate). Alternatively you can email him on mcollins@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk



Eric Wright is a co-opted governor and supports the school on all things Health and Safety. You can contact him on ewright@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk or by phone on 07495849516. He is also around on Tuesdays and Thursdays 2.30-3.00pm



Ruth Parker is a co-opted governor. She supports the school with personnel issues. You can contact her via email on rparker@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk



Caroline England-Woodcock is a parent governor. She is leading on training this year within the governing board. Caroline is around morning and afternoon (near the main office) as she does all the school runs. You can also contact her via email on cenglandwoodcock@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk



Alison Priest is our staff governor. If you want to talk to her in her governor role, after school on Fridays are the best time to catch her. You'll find her in the small yard at the end of the day.



As headteacher I am automatically a governor! I'm here almost all the time. You are welcome to catch me anytime. I do gate duty each morning. Alternatively, ring school on 2883109 or email me on headteacher@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk

What Parents Need to Know about

POKÉMON GO



Pokémon GO has been among the world's most popular mobile games since its spectacular release in 2016. It's recently enjoyed a resurgence, thanks partly to people combining entertainment and exercise during lockdown. In Pokémon GO – like the Pokémon TV show, trading card series and other video games – players capture, train and battle with their Pokémon creatures: physically exploring locations while using augmented reality via their phone's screen. The game generally provides a positive experience, but there are still some safety concerns to consider.

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

Pokémon GO requires players to visit in-game landmarks like Pokéstops and Gyms. These are often situated at public real-world locations such as churches or post offices. Sometimes, however, they can inadvertently end up being placed in dangerous areas which are unsuitable for children, even when accompanied by an adult: near a construction site or a main road, for example.

STRANGERS & MEETING OFFLINE

Players often cooperate with friends in the game, and there are many online discussion hangouts. As well as sharing tips and info, these groups may arrange to meet offline to catch Pokémon or attend raids (communal events where players flock to the same real-world place for a mass battle). This can put children at risk of being messaged and invited to meet by strangers under the pretence of talking about the game.

DATA COLLECTION

When a player logs into their Pokémon GO account, the game collects personal data about the user and their device. Locations, emails, names, ages and even camera images can all be accessed. What then happens to this information is open to debate. Niantic, the game's developers, maintain that they do not sell user information to third parties – but the fact that they have it at all is a concern, nonetheless.

VISIBLE PROFILES & LOCATION

Pokémon GO players can add each other as 'friends' in the game by sharing their trainer codes. Two trainers who do this can then view each other's information, such as their username. If a username gives any clues to the player's real name or personal details, a stranger may then be able to look them up online. The game also lets users upload images to social media, which could publicly disclose a child's exact location.

IN-GAME PURCHASES

The game uses a currency called Pokécoins, which can be bought for real money (in bundles between £0.79 and £99.99) and exchanged for in-game items such as Pokéballs and berries. It's extremely easy for a child to purchase Pokécoins (even accidentally) if there's a payment method connected to their mobile phone – and possibly rack up a sizeable bill without realising it!

Advice for Parents & Carers

PLAY ALONGSIDE YOUR CHILD

Finding and catching Pokémon with young ones could turn into a great mutual hobby. At 25 years old, it's one of the few games franchises that spans two generations. Enjoying the game together will give you plenty of new things to talk about with your child – and if you played Pokémon in your own childhood, you might impress them with your knowledge of the digital critters!

ENCOURAGE AWARENESS

Remind your child of the physical dangers they could face while catching Pokémon and emphasise staying aware of their surroundings. The game will often alert children (through their phone) when they are close to an interesting Pokémon item – usually sending them excitedly rushing off to find it – so they should never play Pokémon GO near busy roads or in places they don't know well.

DISGUISE THE EXERCISE

One of Pokémon GO's benefits is that it encourages young (and not-so-young!) ones to get exercise outdoors. Some parts of the game can be completed from home, but it's best experienced while walking around your local area. Certain tasks (like visiting Pokéstops) can be repeated every day – and an hour outside having fun catching Pokémon will hardly feel like exercise at all!

USE AN OLDER PHONE

If children use an older phone to play Pokémon GO, then they won't be walking around with their own new device, which could get broken or stolen. Parents are also far less likely to have left a credit card linked to the old mobile. It also means that you can limit the amount of information used to set up an account, and what companies who gain access to your data can do with it.

AGREE PLAY BOUNDARIES

Ensure your child knows where they are (and aren't) allowed to go searching for Pokémon, when they have to be home, and how often they can play the game. Talk to other young Pokémon GO fans' parents or carers to see what boundaries they set for their children. Lunchtimes (if allowed by the school) or after school are ideal times for getting some exercise and catching all those Pokémon!

Meet Our Expert

Mark Foster has worked in the gaming industry for several years as a writer, editor and presenter. He is the gaming editor of two of the biggest gaming news sites in the world: UNILAD Gaming and GAMMOBILE. Having started gaming at a young age with his siblings, he has a passion for understanding how games and tech work – but, more importantly, how to make them safe and fun.



SOURCES: <https://heimdalsecurity.com/blog/is-pokemon-go-safe/>
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