



# Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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## Attendance

Class 1: 92%

Class 2: 96%

Class 3: 96%

Class 4: 93%

Class 5: 98%

Class 6: 88%

Class 7: 97%

Class 8: 92%

**Our target  
attendance  
is 96%**

**This  
week's  
attendance  
is**

**94%**

## What's happening in school next week?

- Our assembly theme will be Christingle
- On Monday there is a celebration of achieving Platinum Modeshift Stars. We have an actor coming into school to perform for each double/triple bubble in the morning. The celebration will start with a walk all together, parents, children, staff and actor from Stocksbridge Leisure Centre at 8.00am. It would be lovely to see lots of you there with us.
- Miss Maclean is not in school on Monday or Tuesday as she is attending training.
- On Monday (6<sup>th</sup>) we will be holding our Nursery Induction session for those children joining us in January 2022. It's at 6.00pm and will be held virtually. Parents have received the link in their welcome packs.
- On Tuesday Classes 1 & 2 and 3 & 5 are off to Penistone Paramount for our first visit out in a very long time! Many thanks for the donations made already; we only have a few at the moment. It is only with these donations that the visit will be possible. A decision will be made on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to check viability. It would be great if the children had a LFD test before coming to school that morning. **We are still awaiting around £200 in contributions and there are children due to go on Tuesday for whom we have no permission slips.**
- It's Christmas Jumper Day for children in Nursery at the beginning of the week, and our 30 hour children.
- Dance Club on Tuesday until 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday and Class 7 on Thursday.
- Mrs. Jennings and Mrs. Newton will not be in school on Thursday (9<sup>th</sup>) or Friday (10<sup>th</sup>) as they are at First Aid Training.
- Lisa McNaught (from Stocksbridge Library) is in school sharing stories with our Reception children on Thursday afternoon.
- It's Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. We've set up ParentPay to receive donations for Save the Children.

**Well done  
Class 5**

**Assembly Theme: Advent**

- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday.
- Classes 1 & 2 are popping over to sing songs to the residents at Alpine Lodge from outside.
- On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December we have a special festive visitor. It isn't the man in red but one of his elves.

### Looking ahead to the w.b. 13<sup>th</sup> December

- On Monday Classes 6, 7 & 8 are off to Penistone Paramount. Please could parents administer and LFD to their child before school on that day. Staff will do one also. The children do not need to bring anything and should come in their school uniform.
- Our Y2 children are popping over to Alpine Lodge on Monday morning to sing Christmas songs to the residents through the windows.
- Ms. Swift is not in school on Tuesday. Miss Cowley and Mrs. Charlesworth will be in Class 4.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 8 on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Nursery on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.
- It's Golden Star assembly on Tuesday for children in Classes 1, 2, 3 & 5. Parents of nominated children will receive a zoom invite.
- Its Christmas Lunch day in school on Tuesday – turkey, roast potatoes, and all the trimmings. We decorate the tables and each child has a cracker to pull. It's a lovely lunch. We'll take some photographs and share with you.
- Dance Club on Tuesday for those children signed up - until 4.00pm.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> is Party Day. The children can come to school in their party outfits. No heels, jewellery or flimsy, summery outfits please as we'll still be playing outside. The children have party lunch, play games and are entertained by Puzzling Paul. A jolly man in red usually makes an appearance too.
- On Thursday the children will be watching a live streamed pantomime – Jack and the Beanstalk.
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for any Walk to School Footprint Designs. Please hand them into your child's teacher or the school office.
- On Friday we have Golden Star Assembly for children in Nursery, Classes 6, 7, & 8. Parents of nominated children will receive a zoom invite.
- Friday is Non-uniform day for the fee of £1.00 (to school funds).
- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.

### Nursery News

What delicious gingerbread men we have baked this week. Miss 'Mary Berry' Spencer will definitely be at the top of Santa's good list now. We have also sewn our own giant gingerbread puppets and retold the story. We have found time to decorate the Christmas tree, enjoy The Princess and the Pea and learn about advent as well.

### Star of the Week

**Evie Mallinson-Owens** has become such a sensible young lady. She knows when people need help and she tells us when there is a problem that needs sorting. She is a 'no nonsense, get on with it girl' who we always love chatting with as she has so much to share.

**Tweak of the Week:** It may be Christmas but there's lots to learn and rules to keep!

## Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

**Reggie Grayson** is kind, gentle, calm and helpful. He has splendid manners and always says hello. Reggie takes things seriously. If he is cloakroom monitor he does the best job he can. If he is learning something new, he listens and he tries hard. He's a delight to have in school.

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

## Christmas Nativities in School.

It's been a busy week with rehearsals and singing practices. Staff are having their usual pre-performance panic that it will be ready in time. It's guaranteed not to be perfect but we will have all done our best to practise and put on a nativity without it taking too much time from other parts of the curriculum.

If you'd like to order a DVD of your child's nativity please do so by the end of Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December (via ParentPay). The cost is £6.00. This is to allow Giannis the time to process the orders and get the DVDs back to us, and us to you, before we break for Christmas on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December. **We will not be able to take late orders.**

On the day of your child's dress rehearsal, they will bring home an order form for a photograph. These are £6.00. The deadline for ordering photos will be Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 9.00am. Steve Cooper will ensure the photos are with us, and you, before we break for the holiday.

## Remote learning for the next two weeks:

If we have any children learning remotely next week, we will send through the plan and all the resources as normal. We'll do our best to offer some live teaching but the times may vary through the week as we work around photographers, filming, singing at Alpine Lodge, parties etc. etc. etc.

## Elf on the shelf

I have asked Santa if he could pronounce a new declaration that elf antics are ready for the children for the end of the school day so you can share in the excitement a little more! We have had some **very, very** bouncy children this week! That, coupled with chocolate from advent calendars before school, has been too much for some to cope with. I am joking of course and Christmas time in an infant school is just wonderful. We do have to try to contain the children's excitement a little so we can all function safely, continue learning and not lose our sanity before the end of term!



**The children's achievements this week. The children love sharing these in assembly so please keep sending them in. They say they feel proud in front of their friends.**



Reading a bedtime story. Nice!

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## This week's praise board



Joshua Taylor did a great job of clearing a path for everyone in the snow whilst on his hunt to find treasure.

Seth Hirst found toys outside that were in the wrong place. He brought them in and 'rehomed' them correctly. Thank you.

Jenson Clarkson was a fantastically determined sewer who got better and better.

Miss Miles has been impressed with Seb Gill's painting skills this week and Mrs. Townsend says thank you for picking up the keys she dropped.

Ruben Moore was quite right on Monday when he said Jack Frost had been.

Amelia Russell has been patient this week. She took her time painting and produced a great piece of art work.

Jenson Turner-Jones has produced a great gonk (?) for Miss Miles desk.

Class 8 have been showing the elves how to follow the rules this week.

Well done to our Reception children for their enthusiastic singing in the nativity rehearsals and a huge thank you to Mrs. Priest for modelling the dancing required and making us all cry with laughter.

Amelia Magill, Holly Graham, Erin Kerfoot, Pippa Guy, Naoise O'Brien, Clayton Bullimore, Olly Charlesworth, Logan Cordon, Logan Cromwell, Charlie Cleaver, Roxy-Mae Whalen have been spotted sharing and taking turns without any adults helping.

Kamryn Bradley-Dixon is a very kind and helpful person. Taking care of injured or upset friends is a real skill of his.

Well done Lenny Levitt for engaging in all the activities this week. Mrs. Priest is very proud of you.

A massive thank you to Mr. G this week who spent 3 hours clearing paths on Sunday and was here at 5.00am on Monday doing the same, spreading grit and keeping us all safe. And he's put up the tree in the hall this week which looks gorgeous and put the stage up, all on top of his normal jobs which include making fun of us all and making us laugh.

Nathaniel Tym for fantastic singing.

Archie Jackson has tried so hard to learn all his lines.

Lily Broomhead for super phonics this week.

Theo Davies has joined in with all the zooms and tried hard with all the home learning this week.





### This week's praise board



Annie James always asks friends if they are Ok when they look sad.

Tia Monaghan for having such lovely manners and a cracking smile.

Oliver Lambert for trying so hard at everything he does. He's becoming a bit of a Ninja King!

Mariella Batty for being on fire with her number thinking. Her hand is up for every question.

Laila Palmer for being so brave, amazing and a fantastic friend to everyone in Class 5.

Sophie Barber lights up the classroom with her lovely comments and happy attitude towards everything she does



### Poppy Appeal

Thank you so much for supporting school and the British Legion this year. We raised £211.60.



### Mealtime Supervisor

Is anyone interested in working as a mealtime supervisor in school? The job take 1 hour 25 mins each day. It involves supervising a class of children over lunchtime, helping them in the hall with their dinner, making sure they are safe outside, playing games with them to keep them entertained. If you are interested please contact the school office for more information and an application form. Successful candidates will require a DBS check for safeguarding purposes.

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