



## Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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Happy New Year everyone!

### What's happening in school next week?

- Our new Nursery children start with us on Monday and Tuesday (9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> January).
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January.
- HeppDT are in school on Monday working with classes 1 & 5.
- Mrs. Townsend is teaching Class 7 on Monday afternoon.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 3 in the morning on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January and Class 2 in the afternoon.
- We will be celebrating our children with 100% and improved attendance during the Autumn Term in Assembly on Tuesday.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching in Nursery on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January.
- Y2 children have drumming on Wednesday.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (now held 2 evenings a week on Weds & Fri).
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching The Nest in the morning on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January.
- HeppDT are in school on Thursday working with Class 4.
- Amy Johnson drama workshop with Classes 2 and 5 on Thursday – don't forget your goggles, scarves and hats!
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Thursday.
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with the children on Thursday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January.
- Mrs. Townsend is not in school on Friday.
- Amy Johnson drama workshop with Classes 1 and 4 on Friday – don't forget your goggles, scarves and hats!
- Our children in the Nest are visiting Alpine Lodge on Friday afternoon.
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (now held 2 evenings a week on Weds & Fri).
- Details of what the children are learning will be sent home on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

### Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 93.4%

Class 1:	100%
Class 2:	98%
Class 3:	94%
Class 4:	90%
Class 5:	98%
Class 6:	98%
Class 7:	93%
The Nest:	80%
The Orchard:	91%

**Well done Class 1. 100%!**

**Assembly Theme: Respect**

## Looking ahead to the w.b. 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023

- The assembly theme will be Hope, Dreams and Goals.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January.
- Amy Johnson drama workshop with Class 3 on Monday - don't forget your goggles, scarves and hats!
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 3 in the morning on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January and Class 2 in the afternoon.
- Mr. Barker is teaching The Orchard on Tuesday afternoon.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching in Nursery on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January.
- Y2 children have drumming on Wednesday.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January.
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with the children on Thursday.
- Mrs. Townsend is available to show parents around school 10.45-11.45am on Thursday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January.
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.

Week 2	Green Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Tomato & basil pasta	Turkey Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs in a Tomato sauce with Rice	Cheese & tomato pizza with chips & tomato sauce
Dish of the day 2	Veggie hot dog with onions & baked potato wedges	Veggie Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Roast Veggie Balls with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Veggie Burger with Potato Wedges	Vegetable nuggets with chips & tomato sauce.
Oven baked jacket potato	Jacket potato with cheese or 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 (No ham on Green Mondays!)	Ham	Ham	Ham	Ham
	(No tuna on Green Mondays!)	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Green Beans Sweetcorn	Green Beans Cauliflower	Carrots Savoy Cabbage	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Baked beans Garden peas
Desserts	Vanilla Crunch	Fresh Fruit Salad	Jelly & mandarins	Jam sponge & custard	Chocolate brownie

**Illnesses** We seem to have fewer illnesses in school, thank goodness but there is still a lot out there and we know many families have been poorly over the holidays. The advice is that if your child has a temperature, they should stay at home. Sensible enough!

## Mrs Townsend's Pupils of the Week

**Roman Chambers** I am so very proud of the progress this young man has made. Before the holidays he popped into my office to ask for 'a meeting'. He wanted some help sorting out something that had made him cross. He accepted the advice and left happy. He popped back a little while later for another 'meeting' – someone he liked was running off when he ran up to them. Again, I gave him some suggestions and he left to try them out. Huge progress for this lovely chap who once found managing emotions and events in school just way too hard!

## Nursery News

Happy New Year to all our children and families. We look forward to lots of learning adventures in 2023 and wish you all health and happiness for the coming months.

### Star of the Week

**Alfie Gould-Bist** has come back in the new year, a new man. Alfie has been calm, used some great listening skills, followed instructions and tried hard to take turns with others. Keep up the great work Alfie.



### This week's praise board



- Harry Kaine and Darcie Simmons were good friends to a classmate who was feeling wobbly for the first few minutes after our holiday.
- Class 3 worked so hard with their DT project. They impressed all the grown-ups with how much they had remembered from the last DT project they did.
- I'Marai Hall Mattis for helping to keep the classroom tidy.
- Samuel Wood for always trying his best.
- Amelia-Lily Hodgkinson is fabulous! She has been practising her handwriting over the Christmas break and has blown us all away in Class 4 with how neat it is.
- Class 6 & 7 came to their first little assembly this week. They did so well to listen and answer questions.
- Jaxon Thistlewood and Corban Else had some great team work going on when clearing away their lunchtime plates.
- Evie Owens-Mallinson and Charlotte Sawdon have done a great job at looking after Harper whilst she has a poorly wrist. Thank you girls!
- Siena Shepherd for being so kind to our new friend in class 7.
- Junior Gould-Clegg for making a fantastic vehicle during Welly Wednesday. He used sticks and old tyres to make a train!
- Rayne Chambers for helping a friend from another class.
- Kamryn Bradley-Dixon for being a great big brother and helping Oscar through school.



**A reminder.** Children under the age of 5 must be brought and collected from school by someone aged 16 or over.

**Assembly Theme: Respect**

### Time to start school?

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019 you need to apply for a place for your child (even if your child attends our Nursery). The Sheffield City Council website for applying online is now closed. However, you can still apply by posting the application form by **15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**. We can send your application form to Sheffield City Council on your behalf. If you still need to apply please call in to the school office and ask for a form.

### Time to apply for a Year 3 place at Junior School?

If your child is currently in Year 2, you need to apply for a Year 3 place at Junior School. The closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**. We have hard copies of the application form, which we can submit to Sheffield City Council on your behalf, if you have not already done so. Please call in to the school office and ask for a form.

### Punctuality and the gates

For quite a long time we were very short staffed in the office. Leaving the office to deliver children to classes and Nursery, who came in late, was tricky as it left the gate and phones unmanned. But, we have a full staff now, thank goodness. Going forward, office staff will 'deliver' all children, arriving after 8.30/8.45 to their correct classrooms.

On another note, school starts either at 8.30am or 8.45am dependent on which class your child is in. If they arrive after these times, they should enter via the office only, not via any other opened gate. This is so we can ensure they are 'logged in' appropriately and lunches are ordered. It is particularly relevant for parents of children in Classes 5 & 6. Whilst you can enter the top gate after 8.45am, it is only open to allow Nursery parents to exit. Many thanks in advance for your co-operation.

### Cleaner & Mealtime Supervisor Vacancies

Are you interested in working as a cleaner at our school? We have a vacancy. The post is for 10 hours per week, 2.45 – 4.45pm Monday to Friday. The position is for 52 weeks in that cleaning during some of our school holidays is required. If you are interested please contact the office on [enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk) or alternatively pop into our school office, after the holidays, and pick up a job description and an application form. The closing date is 12 noon on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January. Interviews will take place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January.

We also have a vacancy for a mealtime supervisor. This post is for 7.5 hours per day, 1 ½ hours each day to support and supervise the children over the lunchtime period. The closing date for this post is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January. Application forms and more information can be obtained from the school office or by contacting [enquiries@](mailto:enquiries@) email address.

**Tweak of the Week:** Quiet voices in school. There seems to have been lots of running in and out with shouting and it's driving Mrs. T mad!

The children's out of school achievements this week. Keep them coming. What they do and learn out of school is as important as what they do here. Email items for the newsletter to [Newsletter@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:Newsletter@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk)



This young man won trainer of the month in December at cricket and here he is with his trophy. Well done!



This lovely chap got a Lego Titanic for Christmas and he loves it. He has learnt all about the history of this ship.



**ACTIVE JOURNEYS TAKEN****3284 = 77%****NUMBER OF BADGES EARNED****163****LEVEL OF ENGAGEMENT****79%**

Well done to all our children who took part in active travel during the Autumn Term. In order to get a badge, a child has to travel to school actively once per week. Class 1 had the highest level of engagement. Badges have already been distributed to classes.

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**Healthy Snack**

A reminder that the children should only bring healthy snacks to school. We don't allow them to eat anything other than those listed below. Thank you.

Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School - Healthy Snack List

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

**Well-being for Parents & Carers**

Included this week's letters is a booklet about looking after yourselves as parents and carers. It has some lovely ideas in. If you would like a printed copy, just ask at the school office.

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## Warm and Welcome Places in Stocksbridge

Here are the places you can go to in Stocksbridge for a cuppa, a chat or to get some advice or information

[Voluntary and Community Support - Voluntary Action Sheffield \(vas.org.uk\)](https://www.vas.org.uk)

## Budget webinar

Learn Sheffield are offering a free webinar to parents and carers on how to eat well and save money on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 9.30-10.30am via Zoom. Places can be booked via this website: [10 Top Tips for a Healthier Bank Balance – How to Eat Well AND Save Money Tickets, Mon 16 Jan 2023 at 09:30 | Eventbrite](#)

## Lego Club

The lovely staff at Stocksbridge Library are offering a Lego club again this term, every Saturday 2-3pm. Places must be booked. Age 5 upwards. Contact the library to book a place. Tel: 0114 273 4205 E-mail: [stocksbridge.library@sheffield.gov.uk](mailto:stocksbridge.library@sheffield.gov.uk)

## Wildcats Girl's Football

Sheffield Wednesday Football Club run a Girl's football session at Stocksbridge High School on Wednesday evenings 5-6pm. The sessions are open to girls of any ability from 5 to 11 years old. Email [millie.kenyon@swfc.co.uk](mailto:millie.kenyon@swfc.co.uk) for more information.

## Jewelry in PE and at after school clubs

Our school policy is that children do not wear jewelry for PE. This is best practice. It's not statutory but it is, as a school, what we have chosen to do. When I first came to the school I asked staff if there were any issues they wanted help with. Earrings in PE came up, much to my surprise. Staff did not want the responsibility of taping up ears to add protection for PE lessons, knowing that, if a child's ear was injured because they were wearing earrings, ultimately school could be culpable.

In July I will remind parents that if they are thinking of getting their child's ear's pierced, they should do so at the very start of the holiday. It is included in all our induction materials.

# Word of the Week



**transport**



## Meaning

- Something which moves people or things from one place to another



## Challenge

How many different kinds of transport can you name? Do you have a favourite? Do you have one you'd love to try?



**CELEBRATING WORDS**

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# STAY SAFE ON NEW DEVICES

Whether you're an internet newbie or a pro at surfing the web, it's always important to keep online safety in mind. We've pulled together a list of top tips to make it easier for you to protect yourself and your devices in the digital world - helping you steer clear of hazards like misleading information and vicious viruses. There's never a bad time to refresh your internet safety knowledge, but it's an especially smart thing to do before you start using any shiny new devices!

