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Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 92.7%

Class 1:	98%
Class 2:	99%
Class 3:	94%
Class 4:	94%
Class 5:	98%
Class 6:	99%
Class 7:	99%
The Nest:	63%
The Orchard:	91%

What's happening in school next week?

- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday 16th 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.
- We welcome Miss Redgate back to school following her maternity leave on Tuesday 17th January. We can't wait to see her!
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 3 in the morning on Tuesday and Class 2 in the afternoon.
- Mr. Barker is teaching The Orchard on Tuesday afternoon.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching in Nursery on Wednesday 18th January.
- Miss Bennett is teaching Class 7 on Wednesday.
- Y2 children have drumming on Wednesday.
- Our Reception children have been asked to bring a wheeled toy to school for Welly Wednesday.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Thursday 19th 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 20th January.
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
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Well done Classes 2, 6 & 7

Mrs Townsend's Pupils of the Week

Lily Broomhead because you can't fault Lily Broomhead, ever. Lily is always in the right place, doing the right thing and trying her absolute best. She is polite and respectful. She's a pleasure to be around and a pleasure to have in school.




Assembly Theme: Hopes, Dreams and Goals

Looking ahead to the w.b. 23rd January 2023

- The assembly theme will be Peace.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday 23rd January.
- Mrs. Townsend is available to show parents around school 9-10am on Monday.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 3 in the morning on Tuesday 24th January and Class 2 in the afternoon.
- Mr. Barker is teaching The Orchard on Tuesday afternoon.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching in Nursery on Wednesday 25th January.
- Y2 children have drumming on Wednesday.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Thursday 26th January.
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with the children on Thursday.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday 27th January.
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Veggie meatballs in a tomato sauce & rice	Chicken burger with baked potato wedges	Roast chicken with roast potatoes, stuffing and gravy	Sausage & mash with gravy	Homemade cheese pizza with chips and tomato sauce
Dish of the day 2	Cheesy bean pitta pocket with baby baked potatoes	Cheesy pie with wedges	Quorn roast with roast potatoes, stuffing and gravy	Veggie mince pasta Bolognese & garlic bread	Cheese flan & chips with 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	Ham
	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Mixed vegetables Garden salad	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Winter greens Cauliflower	Green beans Baked beans Carrots	Baked beans Garden peas
Desserts	Hobnob cookie with apple smiles	Jelly & mandarins	Flapjack finger & custard	Lemon drizzle cake	Frozen toffee yoghurt

Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School - Healthy Snack List

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

Tweak of the Week: Tidy Playground Week.



Nursery News

Despite the weather, new faces have brightened up Nursery and it has been lovely to meet them. In between dodging the rain showers, we have enjoyed reading The Train Ride, chatting about our experiences, counting carriages and drawing pictures of what we passed on the way.

Star of the Week

Isaac Ogden If you need someone kind and helpful, then look no further. Often, we don't need to look because we can rely on Isaac to be doing the right thing. He is a wonderful role model.



This week's praise board



- Josh Willets for doing some amazing maths - you blew us away!
- Mia Lakin and Henry Warren for working really hard on their phonics!
- Bridie Nance has been fabulous this week. Her hand has constantly been up to answer questions in every lesson, and she has been blowing us away with her answers.
- Kamryn has been trying really hard to show super sitting on the carpet, and has been keen to learn all about Amelia Earhart.
- Rose Couldwell and Remy Clayton always do the right thing! These two are always following the Golden Rules, and are so helpful around the classroom.
- Oscar Guy has been dazzling us all with his brilliant answers this week; he's on fire! Nishika has been a total whizz at learning her key words.
- Corey has been very grown-up and such a star this week, showing others how to 'get it right'.
- Vinnie completed some fantastic secondary colour mixing using red, blue and yellow. He worked really independently.
- Jax Brown made a great choice when he asked politely to recover his lost football. Well done Jax, we're proud of you!
- Bella, Seb, Mia, Dylan and Harper from Class 6 are trying really hard to learn their keywords at the moment.
- Shay Millington has nailed writing CVC words- amazing.
- Some fantastic keywords work from Caleb Black, Seth Hirst, Millie Pitt and Archie Young this week.
- Thank you, Rayne Chambers, for trying so hard to be a good friend.
- All of class 7 dazzled us with their amazing work on tally charts during Welly Wednesday- who knew watching traffic could be so exciting!
- Rory Harkness' name writing is coming on a treat, well done.
- Jack Charlesworth, Scarlett Milnes and Leo Priestley did some AMAZING train painting this week!
- Tilly Hall has been a good friend to others and sets a lovely example for others to follow.
- Olivia Stokes is becoming so much braver. This week she has played with new people and her chatter and laughter has been lovely to hear every day.
- Logan Barden has had a wonderful week and we are so impressed with his super attitude.

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



This lovely young lady performed in her belated Christmas show this morning and receiving her 4-year medal. Well done!



This busy young man was out working with his Daddy from 6:45am Sunday morning until 6pm collecting Christmas trees for Barnsley Hospice. He did an absolutely fantastic job!



This young man achieved his Duckling 4 swimming award before Christmas and he is now swimming alone in a stage 1 class! Well done!



What a lovely photo! This young man travelled to London in the Christmas holidays for a modelling audition. He did amazing and got accepted to become a model. Well done!

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Would you be able to help school re-form a PTA?

School hasn't had an active Parent Teacher Association (PTA) for a little while now. The pandemic pretty much put a stop to it, like everything else. Now the World is settling back into its new 'normal' (if anything can be considered 'normal' these days!) we at school would love to reestablish our connection with our parents and carers via a PTA. We have a couple of members of staff who are willing to work with the PTA, but currently no parents or carers.

The PTA supports the school by raising money to enhance, enrich and improve learning experiences for all pupils. A well-run PTA will form close ties with the school community, helping to connect school and home life, so that parents become more positively engaged in their children's education. There's also a social aspect to the PTA: parents are able to get together, meet parents of children in different year groups and work alongside each other while raising money for the school and supporting its aims.

Mrs McGee has offered to meet with the PTA in school on Wednesdays. The frequency of meetings would depend on the current activity being undertaken. We thought that maybe as a first step our new PTA could look to arrange something around Easter time, but we're open to suggestions!

Could you help? Please contact the school office if you think you can. Thank you!

Spare clothes donations

With all of this wet weather we're all getting soaking wet through and our stores of spare uniform for children to change into in an emergency are running low. We would be very grateful of donations of spare uniform, especially smaller sizes as it tends to be our younger children who need a change of clothes more often than our older children. Socks are in particularly short supply! Also, if you child does get sent home in a change of clothes from school, can you please return them, so we can use them for someone else the next time we have a monsoon. Thank you!

Stocksbridge High School Health & Social Care Ambassador Students

On most Tuesdays for the rest of this year, 3 students from the High School will be spending the day with us. The benefits are very much two-way. The students get some experience of working in a school and we get the benefit of extra support for the day. We are hoping it inspires some students to join this great profession too. I wanted to let you know in case the children talk about different adults being in their class.

New Reading Volunteer

Our reading volunteers either come from the Local Authority or from Beanstalk Readers. We have a new volunteer joining us each Monday. Her name is Ola Abdelbagi. She's lovely. We also have Anne Damms who joins us on Mondays and Tuesdays and listens to some of our Y2 children read. If you have any spare time and you'd like to come and support our children, please let us know. You'd be very welcome.

Word of the Week



unicycle



Meaning

- A vehicle with one wheel which you pedal.



Challenge

Can you think of any more words that start with the uni? Uni is a prefix.



CELEBRATING WORDS

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

OF WORLD WARCRAFT

AGE RESTRICTION
12+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

World of Warcraft originally launched way back in 2004, and since then the game has blossomed into a major entertainment property. It's spawned spin-off novels, merchandise and even a Hollywood movie adaptation... but why are we still talking about it in 2023? World of Warcraft's most recent iteration, Dragonflight, launched last November and marks the game's ninth major expansion. This latest addition has attracted a whole host of lapsed players back to the game – as well as newcomers jumping into the realm of Azeroth for the first time.

ALWAYS ONLINE

World of Warcraft is an MMORPG, which stands for Massively Multiplayer Online Role-Playing Game. Players create a character and head off on mythical quests to earn rewards and become more powerful. The game's environment is absolutely vast, and it can only be played online on PC or Mac – so there's a high probability of young Warcraft fans wanting to monopolise the family computer.

REGULAR EXPANSIONS

As is common with many MMORPGs, World of Warcraft's developers, Blizzard, release regular expansions for the game (usually every 18 months to two years). So although there's still plenty of content for young players to experience right now, there will almost inevitably be a requirement to continue buying future expansion packs, which tend to cost around £50.

IN-GAME PURCHASES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Just like its genre contemporary Final Fantasy XIV, World of Warcraft requires a monthly subscription fee to play. It's currently £9.99 per month (although you can get it cheaper by signing up to a longer subscription). There are also many items which can be purchased from the in-game store that don't affect gameplay, but instead offer cosmetic alterations to a player's character.

VOICE AND TEXT CHAT

Because World of Warcraft is played exclusively on PCs and Macs, it's easy for users to type out text messages if they aren't comfortable using voice chat. If you'll forgive the pun, that's a double-edged sword because – although there's less chance of them being harassed verbally – it puts young players at increased risk of being trolled or receiving spam through the in-game messaging function.

SIMULATED VIOLENCE

The fact that World of Warcraft is almost 20 years old means that even its most violent battles look slightly cartoonish compared with the level of authenticity in many more modern games. The exception tends to be Warcraft's in-game cutscenes: animated sections which move the plot onto the next stage. These offer more realistic visuals, but they still aren't overly gory or scary.

POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION

World of Warcraft can trigger a powerful "just one more quest" mentality in players (especially young ones) as they rush to secure the next dopamine hit from levelling their character up or earning a new item or weapon. It's also a game that doesn't have a definite 'end' – because as soon as a player finishes levelling up one character, they can start afresh with another one.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MANAGE PLAYTIME

World of Warcraft can be an extremely enjoyable game to play with friends, but it's important that your child doesn't let their adventures crowd out school work, socialising or anything else they also enjoy. You could, for example, consider imposing playtime limits – such as a set number of hours to play Warcraft per week, or restricting it to particular days or just weekends.

MAKE IT A REWARD

If your child is excited about getting the next World of Warcraft expansion, you could consider using it as a reward for completing their weekly tasks (you could even call them 'quests'!) like tidying their room or doing their homework. This will demonstrate that you're happy for them to play the game but will also help them to build good, productive habits, reinforcing that hard work earns rewards.

SIGN UP FOR THE FREE TRIAL

Warcraft's monthly subscription effectively 'pays' for the regular new content, but there's also a sizeable free trial that lets new players explore the world of Azeroth without paying a penny. Players can play up until Level 20 for free, which is easily several hours' worth of gameplay. If your child does take this option, we'd suggest minimising in-game spending by not linking a bank card to their account.

REMEMBER THE AGE RATING

Due to mild violence and the occasional use of offensive language, World of Warcraft has been rated as appropriate for players aged 12 and over by PEGI (the Pan-European Game Information system, which gives games their age certificate). It isn't really suitable for anyone below that age, so you may potentially have to explain this reasoning to your younger children if they want to play it.

ADVENTURE TOGETHER

Warcraft can certainly be addictive, but playing it together is also a great way to spend time with your child. The game's focus on cooperative questing and battling enemies can make it feel like you've accomplished something as a team, and you'll also be in a prime position to spot any early signs of addiction. Just remember to apply gaming time limits to yourself as well as your young ones!

Meet Our Expert

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