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School is open on Tues 28th Feb – only the Orchard will be closed to children

What's happening in school next week?

- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday 27th February.
- Class 3 is visiting Stocksbridge Library on Monday afternoon.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Tuesday 28th February is the next planned NEU teachers strike. The Orchard will be closed to children. **All other classes will be open as usual, including Nursery.**
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 2 on Tuesday morning and Class 3 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around on Tuesday at 9.30am.
- Class 4 is visiting Stocksbridge Library on Tuesday afternoon.
- Football Club after school on Tuesday, 2.45 - 4.00pm
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery and Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 1st March.
- Miss Bennett is teaching Class 7 on Wednesday 1st March.
- Y2 children have drumming on Wednesday afternoon.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day! Children are invited to come into school dressed as a word of their choice and also enter our Book in a Box competition.
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with the children on Thursday.
- Football Club after school on Thursday, 2.45 - 4.00pm
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday 3rd March.
- Class 1 have Forest School on Friday.
- Class 2 are visiting Stocksbridge Library on Friday morning and the Nest are visiting Alpine Lodge on Friday afternoon.
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mid-year reports will come home after school on Friday, so look out for them in school bags!

Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 90%

Class 1:	99%
Class 2:	100%
Class 3:	100%
Class 4:	98%
Class 5:	97%
Class 6:	97%
Class 7:	92%
The Nest:	54%
The Orchard:	71%

Well done Classes 2 & 3

Assembly Theme: Special Days (St David's Day, World Book Day)

Looking ahead to the w.b. 6th March 2023


- The assembly theme will be Right and Wrong (Holi).
- Our first PCF meeting will be held at 8.45am - 10am on Monday 6th March. All welcome! See the information towards the bottom of the newsletter.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday.
- Class 1 is visiting Stocksbridge Library on Monday afternoon.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm.
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 2 in the morning on Tuesday 7th March and Class 3 in the afternoon.
- Football Club after school on Tuesday, 2.45 - 4.00pm
- Parent / Teacher meetings to be held after school on Tuesday 7th March. Appointments will be available to book from 7pm on Friday 24th February.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery, Mrs Bennett is teaching Class 7 and Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 8th March.
- Nursery Parent / Teacher meetings to be held on Wednesday 8th March. Appointments will be available to book from 7pm on Friday 24th February 2023.
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Mrs Townsend's Pupils of the Week

Ruben Moore Ruben is such a thoughtful boy who doesn't realise just how lovely and amazing he is. He has the most wonderful manners. He does kind things for other people without a moment's thought. If he sees someone needing a helping hand, then Ruben is there.







He tries hard in everything he does; when he's working, when he's learning, when he's playing. He is a pleasure to be around and a joy to have in school.



Fire Drill

We practiced our fire drill this morning and the children were terrific- calm, sensible and just did exactly the right thing. Charlie in Class 2 acted as Mr. Grocock's assistant. Charlie has always found the fire drill stressful. So, this morning Mr. Grocock went to get him, gave him his very important 'fire drill check list' on a clipboard and popped on some ear defenders. Mr. G then talked Charlie through the practice and they walked around school checking it was all safe. Charlie came out to us on the playground and the children thanked him for keeping them safe. Afterwards, he went back inside to help Mr. G complete the paperwork. We think Charlie will be fine next time we have to practice thanks to our lovely Mr. G.

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

Nursery News

This week we have enjoyed the prehistoric times of the dinosaurs, and don't we have some experts! We have focused on some new vocabulary that was in our story and enjoyed mark making with the dinosaurs both indoors and outside. We have continued to practice our initial letter sounds each day and we are getting better and better.

Star of the Week

Oscar Hardcastle is a little boy who loves to listen. He pays attention to all that is happening in Nursery and thinks carefully before he answers questions. His observations are always 'spot on' and we love to hear what he has to tell us now that he is becoming more confident. Keep up the great work Oscar.

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This week's praise board



- Lillie Dowde for asking so politely for the door to the big yard to be opened for her to go out at playtime.
- Charlotte England-Woodcock for helping Miss Marshall when she was delivering the milk to class on Monday.
- Molly Wilkinson for kindly holding the door back to let lots of people through.
- William Machin for encouraging and praising his classmate whilst reading.
- Oli Shepherd said "thank you for doing that for us" to Miss Shepherd when he saw our Africa display.
- Lenny Levitt and l'Marai Hall-Mattis helped each other to solve a maths problem.
- During his outdoor play time Jenson very kindly helped Miss. Kane to collect up all the cold packs and pop them back into the fridge.
- Ruben Moore and Remy Clayton have been superstars this week and have ensured the outdoor area in Class 4 was kept neat and tidy.
- Ada Fiddler always does the right thing and has been spotted helping people who are feeling a little sad. Well done Ada!
- Jax has been helping lots of people with lots of things! He's great at doing so many things but he also gives others a hand when he thinks they need help.
- Evie tries her best with everything and quietly gets on with anything she's been asked to do.
- Alice is our current 'Phonics Queen' and her voice can always be heard joining in with all of the phonemes!
- A huge thank you to all the grown-ups that volunteered and kept us safe on our walk to the library- you did a smashing job!
- Wow class 7 beautiful walking to the library and amazing manners while we were there- Superb!
- Guy Gilbert has been trying so hard in class this week well done!
- Pearl Wright we just love how enthusiastic you are about your learning at the moment keep it up.
- Evie Foster for helping Miss Marshall when she was delivering the milk to class on Monday.
- Lyssie Redwood-Peace is always kind but this week, without a moment's hesitation, she picked up all the scraps of paper that had been snipped on the floor.
- George Harwood and Rosalie Roberts have been so helpful when we need obstacle courses setting up and tidying away afterwards.
- Joshua Taylor donated some super toys that he didn't need to Nursery. Very kind and very much appreciated.
- Henry Smith was a great role model - showing patience and kindness to a friend whilst playing outside.



Tweak of the Week: Good listening on the carpet and in assembly

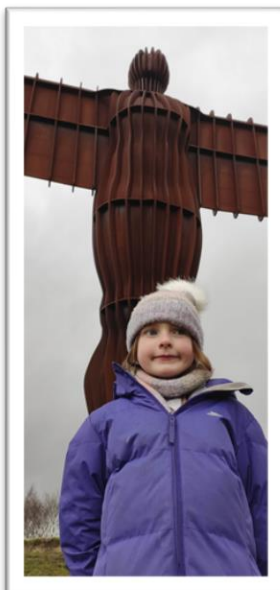
The children's out of school achievements this week. Keep them coming. What they do and learn out of school is as important as what they do here. Email items for the newsletter to Newsletter@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk



A star in the making! This young lady has passed her level 6 in ice skating over the holidays. She's very proud of herself and quite rightly so. Well done!



This young lady has started her "eat them to defeat them" chart by eating lots of veg over half term. Her favourite so far are red peppers! Fantastic! Keep going.



A visit to the North's most famous superstructure during half term for this young lady.



This young lady has been a superstar hiker over the half term holidays walking on the coastal walk from Whitby to Robin Hoods Bay. She walked her little legs off. A very proud achievement! And a very beautiful day too. Well done!

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A visit to the smallest house in Great Britain and the railway station with longest name for this young lady.

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erychwyrndrobwlllantysil
iogogogoch, in case you
were wondering!

NEU Teacher's Strike - 28th February 2023

Talks between the NEU and the government have not reached a resolution. The planned industrial action for Tuesday 28th February will go ahead. As before, The Orchard will close and the children in this class should not attend school.

All other classes including Nursery, will remain open and children should attend as usual.

FOSNI (Friends of Stocksbridge Nursery Infants)

We would like to re-establish the school's FOSNI group. The group would provide a much-needed link between the school and our parents / carers. Mrs McGhee has offered some of her PPA time on Wednesday mornings to meet with parents / carers to discuss setting up a group and what it might do / how it might best do it. If you are interested and would like to find out more please use our [online form](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FOSNI) at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FOSNI> by **Tuesday 28th February** to let us know and tell us when you would prefer to meet. Or call in the office for a hard copy. Thank you!

Spring Term Parent / Teacher meetings – 7th & 8th March 2023

Our Spring Term Parent / Teacher meetings will be held after school on Tuesday 7th March (for Classes 1 to 7, The Orchard and The Nest) and Wednesday 8th March (for Nursery). Appointments will be available to book online via eSchools **from 7pm on Friday 24th February**.

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Living Streets Walk to School Challenge Update

Our children loved having Strider visit us at school this week.



Many of the children were awarded their WOW! Badges to celebrate their active travel to school in January. Our school is currently 3rd in the Sheffield Spring Term WOW Walk of Fame Leaderboard. So well done to everyone's fabulous feet! Let's keep in up. To help keep us motivated, the WOW badge design competition is back for 2023!

WOW badge design competition 2023

Collectable WOW badges are awarded to children monthly for walking, wheeling, cycling, scooting or doing Park and Stride to school! The badges are unique and designed by the pupils themselves. Our children have been invited to get creative and enter a design into the 2023 competition.

10-day active challenge – from Monday 20th March 2023

Our annual 10-day active travel challenge starts again on Monday 20th March 2023. Below is a summary of the activities that we have planned each day. More information about each activity is attached to this newsletter.

Date	Event		Date	Event
Monday 20 th	Be Bright Be Seen Day		Monday 27 th	Scooter day
Tuesday 21 st	Alphabet Walk		Tuesday 28 th	Shoesday
Wednesday 22 nd	Wheelie Wednesday		Wednesday 29 th	Take a selfie day
Thursday 23 rd	Hula hoop to school		Thursday 30 th	Dance with grown ups
Friday 24 th	Fill your tummy Friday		Friday 31 st	Let the chalk do the talking

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Reception Yorkshire Wildlife Park visit 23rd March 2023

Our Reception children (Class 6 & 7) are off to visit the Yorkshire Wildlife Park in Doncaster on Thursday 23rd March. This is linked to our topic on animals and their habitats. We are expecting that this will be a really enjoyable day and the children will gain a lot from it. As part of the visit, they will take part in an educational workshop led by a member of staff from the Wildlife Park.

We will be leaving school at 9.00am immediately after registration and should be back by 3.00pm. Children will need to arrive promptly on the day of the visit wearing school uniform and appropriate outdoor clothing for the conditions. Children should also bring a rucksack with them to keep their lunch and water bottle in.

We are asking parents / carers to make a voluntary contribution of £19.13 to cover the cost of the trip. School does not make a profit from school trips. School also does not receive funding to pay for school trips. Should insufficient funds be collected the visit will have to be cancelled. A payment item has been set up on ParentPay for you. If you have any problems accessing this please contact the staff in the school office.

We need permission for the children to attend. An online form was originally provided for this purpose however, we have been advised that written consent is required for this visit. A hard copy permissions letter has therefore been sent home with all of the Reception children. Please look out for it in their bags and return it to school no later than **Friday 10th March**. Parents / carers who have already completed the online form will still need to sign and return the hard copy version. Thank you for your assistance in this matter and apologies for any inconvenience!

EIS trips Year 1 & 2 – 15th and 16th March 2023

Our Year 1 and 2 children have been invited to a Sports Day event at the English Institute of Sport (EIS) this March. Our **Year 1 children will be visiting on Wednesday 15th March** (classes 3, 4 & 5) and our **Year 2 children** (classes 1, 2 & 5) **will be visiting on Thursday 16th March**.

On both days, we will be leaving school at 9am and be back before 3pm. School can provide a packed lunch, or children can bring their own. On the day of their visit, children should come to school in their PE kit including school jumper and pumps or trainers. Children should also bring a rucksack with them to keep their lunch and water bottle in.

There is no cost to parents for this visit. However, we do need your permission for your child to attend and we also need to know your child's packed lunch requirements. A permission slip is being sent home with the children on Friday evening. Please return it no later than **Monday 8th March**. Thank you!

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Be a part of history in the making!

As part of the Coronation of King Charles III the Town Council would like to produce a flag for the Coronation to fly from the Town Hall and are inviting the 6 schools in our area to provide one design each (as per the one produced to mark the Queens Platinum Jubilee event). The 6 designs will be printed onto a single flag that will fly from the Town Hall and also be printed onto a fence banner to be displayed at each school.

All of our children are invited to submit designs for consideration. Designs should be on landscape A3 paper please. A simple and bold design is recommended, so it can be easily seen once the flag is hoisted. If you require paper please contact the school office. Entries to be returned to the school office by **Tuesday 28th March** please. Thank you! And good luck!!

Parent Workshops

Our Community Early Years Practitioners have offered to run the following parent workshops, all aimed at children under 5:

- Let's get ready to start toilet training
- Successful sleepers
- Healthy eating
- Portions sizes and eating habits
- Oral health / hygiene

We need a minimum of 6 parents to run the workshops. If you are interested in attending any or all of the above please let the school office know by emailing enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk or phoning 0114 2883109 or calling into the office in person. Thank you.

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue

South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue are currently recruiting on-call firefighters in our area. This current recruitment campaign is open from 1st March until 31st March 2023.

The service needs local people to staff their local fire stations. There is a national shortage of on-call firefighters and without the support of local people we would struggle to crew our local fire appliances.

A PDF document with information about the role is attached to this newsletter for your information.

Peer Support Service

Available to all parents and carers of children and young people (0-25 years)
with additional needs in Sheffield. A formal diagnosis is not required.

- ✓ Information, advice, and signposting to relevant services
- ✓ Confidential one-to-one support via telephone, video call or face-to-face meetings in a community space (flexible appointment times)
- ✓ Information sessions about common issues
- ✓ Peer Support Groups where parents and carers can meet others who face similar challenges



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Sheffield Parent Carer Forum are keen to get out into communities and schools to support parents, particularly those who have children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. They will be here, in school, on Monday 6th March from 8.45 – 10.15am offering coffee, refreshments, advice and a listening ear for any parents who want to come along. The session will take place in our staff room. Please let a member of the office team know if you are planning to come along.

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Word of the Week



primate



Meaning

- a large group of different kinds of animals



Challenge

Send Mrs T a list of some primates on SeeSaw.



CELEBRATING WORDS

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

SPOTIFY

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Spotify is a digital music, podcast and video service which gives users access to millions of songs and other content from creators all over the world. Since launching in 2008, Spotify has revolutionised the way music is listened to: it now offers the ability to manage and share more than 100 million tracks and five million podcast series, plus personalised recommendations, new release updates and the option to create collaborative playlists. As of February 2023, it is the world's most popular audio streaming subscription service with 489 million users globally.

EXPLICIT LYRICS

As per Spotify's terms and conditions, people need to be at least 13 to use it. That said, the platform doesn't censor lyrics unless instructed to do so in the settings – so it's worth noting that young teenagers could still be exposed to age-inappropriate songs which contain explicit references to sexual behaviour, violence, discriminatory language and swearing.

PARENTAL ADVISORY EXPLICIT CONTENT

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE PODCASTS

Spotify's podcast community has grown exponentially and it's become a popular base for millions of users to listen to shows, stories, interviews and more – with content covering an array of topics. This includes some material which isn't suitable for minors, including audio which is obviously adult-themed, but can be just as easily accessed as everything else.

GROOMING TACTICS

Although Spotify doesn't come with dedicated chat functionality, concerns were raised in January 2023 after reports of an 11-year-old girl being coerced into sharing explicit pictures of herself on the platform. The case highlighted predators' tactics of sharing empty playlists with other users: their messages were being exchanged undetected through edited song titles and descriptions, bypassing security measures.

ACCESS TO SPOTIFY LIVE

If your child has a Spotify account, they'll also be able to access the platform's audio-only chat service: Spotify Live. While it's a separate stand-alone app, Spotify Live allows people to listen to live discussions on the main Spotify platform and, more notably, lets users enter virtual rooms to chat with other users, opening up direct conversations with strangers and individuals who might not necessarily be there for the right reasons.

OVERSHARING

Spotify provides a perfect way to play music, with the ability to connect to another device, such as a Bluetooth speaker or an in-car stereo. While this is a useful feature, it's also easy to forget your surroundings and inadvertently play content which isn't appropriate for all listeners (especially those under the age of 18), potentially causing alarm or distress.

Advice for Parents & Carers

SWAP TO SPOTIFY KIDS

If you're concerned about what your child might hear while streaming music, Spotify Kids is a separate, ad-free service specifically designed for children aged 12 and under. It allows younger users to enjoy human-curated, child-friendly content (such as music and audiobooks) and is available to users with a Spotify Premium Family subscription – meaning that parents can view and manage the content their child listens to.

TALK ABOUT THE RISKS

As with any platform, it's good practice to talk to your child about what they should be aware of when using Spotify. For instance, it's important they're aware never to share any personal information with strangers, and what they should do if they're exposed to inappropriate content. Encourage them to think critically about what they see and hear so that they feel comfortable raising any concerns with you.

CENSOR EXPLICIT CONTENT

Regardless of what type of account your child uses to access Spotify, there is an option to turn off explicit content in the settings – greying out all songs marked with an 'E' tag. If your child has their own individual account, it's easier for them to turn it back on – whereas with a family plan, you're in control and your child can't alter the setting without knowing the password.

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KEEP AN EYE OUT

If you're concerned that your child is spending too much time on Spotify or you've noticed they're being particularly secretive about how they're using it, encourage them to talk about what they're listening to. It's always prudent to show an interest in their online habits from the outset – so you're confident they're using apps and services in the right way, for the right reasons, and they're not being drawn into anything they shouldn't be.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid The Inquirer, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.



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