



Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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Nursery = RED. Reception = ORANGE. Yr1 = GREEN. Yr2 = BLUE.
Nest & Orchard = PURPLE. Whole school / mixed = BLACK.

What's happening in school next week?

- The 3rd Stocksbridge Scouts Spring Term Food Drive is continuing in school w/c 20th March.
- Our 10 Day Active Travel Challenge day starts on Monday 20th March. Please see the programme attached to this Newsletter.
- Bookings for next term's after school clubs will open on Monday.
- **Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday.**
- Mrs. Townsend is available to show parents around school at 9-10am Monday.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (**R**, **Yr1** & **Yr2**).
- **Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Tuesday 21st March.**
- **Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 2 in the morning and Class 3 in the afternoon on Tuesday.**
- Football Club after school on Tuesday, 2.45 - 4.00pm (**Yr1** & **Yr2**).
- **Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 22nd March.**
- Mrs. Townsend is not in school on Wednesday morning.
- **Year 2 children have drumming on Wednesday afternoon.**
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (**R**, **Yr1** & **Yr2**).
- **Our Reception children are visiting Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Thursday 23rd March. Please arrive promptly wearing school uniform and appropriate warm outdoor clothing with a bag for packed lunch and a water bottle. Thank you!**
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with the children on Thursday.
- Football Club after school on Thursday, 2.45 - 4.00pm (**Yr1** & **Yr2**).
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday 24th March (**Yr1** & **Yr2**).
- **Class 1 have Forest School on Friday.**
- Friday is the last day for donations to the 3rd Stocksbridge Scouts Spring Term Food Drive.
- **The Nest are visiting Alpine Lodge on Friday morning.**
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (**R**, **Yr1** & **Yr2**).

Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 94.3%

Class 1: 99%

Class 2: 95%

Class 3: 99%

Class 4: 97%

Class 5: 93%

Class 6: 98%

Class 7: 95%

The Nest: 53%

The Orchard: 81%

Well done Class 1

Assembly Theme: anti-racism - Rosa Parks

Looking ahead to the w.b. 27th March 2023







- The assembly theme will be Easter.
- Our 10 Day Active Travel Challenge day continues w/c Monday 27th March. Please see the programme attached to this Newsletter.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (R, Yr1 & Yr2).
- We will be sending Bags 2 School home on Monday for clothing donations. They need to be returned by 9am on Wednesday 29th March. Please see the further information included in this newsletter for more details about what can and can't be donated. Thank you!
- **Please send in your child's Easter Hat on Tuesday 28th March.**
- Tuesday 28th March is the deadline for entries to the Stocksbridge Town Council's Coronation Flag competition. See details later in this Newsletter.
- Mrs. Greenwood is teaching Class 2 in the morning and Class 3 in the afternoon on Tuesday.
- Mrs. Townsend is not in school on Tuesday.
- Football Club after school on Tuesday, 2.45 - 4.00pm (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery, Miss Bennett is teaching Class 7 and Mrs Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 29th March.
- Bags for School donations to be dropped off in the designated area in staff car park by 9am Wednesday morning.
- We are holding our Easter Hat Parade on Wednesday at 2.30pm for all the children in school including Nursery. Parents are welcome to come and watch. Please enter via the top gate onto the playground. Please stand around the edges. **Please send in your child's hat on Tuesday to allow for judging on Wednesday morning. Nursery will hold a second parade for children at 11.15am on Wednesday for our beginning of the week children.**
- Year 2 children have drumming on Wednesday afternoon.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (R, Yr1 & Yr2).
- Chris Standley is in school playing board games with the children on Thursday 30th March.
- Nursery, The Orchard and Classes 6 & 7 will be celebrating their golden stars in assembly on Thursday.
- Football Club after school on Thursday, 2.45 - 4.00pm (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Children will be sent home with a piece of chalk on Thursday, so they can join in the last day of our 10 Day Active Travel Challenge – 'Let the chalk do the talking'.
- Friday 31st March is the last day of Spring Term before the Easter Holidays and will be a non-uniform day in exchange for a £1 donation towards the School Fund. Payment via ParentPay.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday 31st March (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Class 1 have Forest School on Friday.
- Classes 1,2,3,4,5 & The Nest will be celebrating their golden stars in assembly on Friday.
- The Nest are visiting Alpine Lodge on Friday morning.
- We are holding our Easter egg rolling event on Friday afternoon. This is just an in-school event. **Please send your child in with a hard-boiled egg on Friday morning.**
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 – 4.00pm (R, Yr1 & Yr2).
- School closes on Friday and reopens for the start of our Summer Term on Monday 17th April!

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Sam Wood. Twice last week, I found Sam helping others. Earlier in the week he was helping Class 4 children do up their coats before going outside. On Thursday he helped his friend Ella. Ella was struggling to sort out a little problem, so Sam just lent a hand. Sam's a quiet little boy in our school but being quiet doesn't mean you go unnoticed.

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

I have absolutely no idea how we have fitted everything in this week! Thank you so much to all the families that joined us in Nursery on Wednesday and today. The children were so proud to sing for you and loved making their buns and cards. It has been like a little workshop over the last five days. A special thank you to Miss Price who has **done more baking than she ever knew was possible!**

Star of the Week

We have been so proud of **Harriett Ottaway's** super listening skills this week. She has followed instructions sensibly and helped out when we needed her to. Ha loves to learn and it has been great to see her thinking things through and using her super mind to the best of her abilities.

Assembly Theme: anti-racism - Rosa Parks



This week's praise board



- Ollie Shephard helped Matt set up all the drums on Wednesday afternoon.
- Charlotte and Georgia England-Woodcock have donated a lovely grocery shop play set to our Nursery. Thank you, Charlotte and Georgia, I'm sure all of our Nursery children will love role playing shopkeepers with it.
- Every school needs a Harry Powell. He brightens up every day.
- Mair Marshall Gane for holding the door open to let Sarah our cleaner through.
- Zac-Riley Evison has been helping to put out the knives and forks this week - thank you Zac.
- Class 2 for working extremely hard on their non-chronological reports about African animals.
- Stanley White for doing lots of reading at home. Keep it up, Stanley!
- Taliana Tshibangu always works hard in our phonics lessons.
- Pippa Guy for practising her 2s, 5s and 10s at home. She is now learning her 3s.
- Sam Wood helped Lylah do up her coat. He had a novel way of doing press studs which made Mrs T smile.
- Jenson Turner-Jones and Frankie Lakin for being helpful and holding the door open for others.
- Remy Clayton for being helpful and holding the door open for others.
- Corey Brookes asks adults what sort of a day they are having when he sees them around school.
- Oscar Guy for being helpful and holding the door open for others.
- Oliver Jarvis has been ever so brave this week jumping from heights during our sensory circuits! We are very proud of your can-do attitude Oliver well done.
- Sofiya Rattigan has been so helpful this week in the classroom.
- Our cloakroom monitors deserve a shout out this week so thank you India Briggs and Lucas Carr.
- All of class 7 have dazzled Miss. Kane with their desire to reach their next keywords they are trying so hard it's fantastic to see.
- Ariane Brown was a wonderful helper, fetching all the children Miss Rogers needed, even from outside when it was cold and gloomy. She is certainly efficient!
- Poppy Guy and Billie Brown helped to pick up all the blocks and stickle bricks with big smiles, and a song!
- Jacob Wong is such a friendly little boy and is trying so hard to chat to us a little bit more. We are very proud of him.
- Mr Barker for writing lots of risk assessments this week which kept the children safe when they went on visits.
- All of our staff and volunteers who accompanied our children on their sporting adventures this week. A grand day out was had by all and we couldn't do it without you.

Tweak of the Week: If you can't say something kind to someone, don't say anything at all.

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 young man
did a great job of
helping to clear
the snow.

Thank you!

WhatsApp Groups

I am aware there are parent class and year WhatsApp groups set up in school. We have a staff whole school one and it's invaluable for letting everyone know what's going on in emergencies or on snowy days. They are great idea for parents to remind each other what's going on in school or for answering those quick questions when we don't have time to find the answers on the newsletter or the website.

I do know that some of the groups are used for sharing grumbles about school life which I, and the teachers find less helpful and somewhat disheartening. We never proclaim to be perfect and we may not get everything spot on, but we do work incredibly hard to make the right decisions everyday for all the children and keep you informed.

Currently there are grumbles doing the rounds about lost property and yet we have a mountain, which we sort most weeks, of items with no names in. If it's named, we make sure it finds its way back to its owner.

A request, that if there is something you are not happy about, you ask someone in school as we are the ones that can sort it out. We'd never dream of using our shared WhatsApp group to say something publicly about a child or a parent. I'd like to politely ask that we are afforded the same respect and request the WhatsApp groups are used for what they are best at – sending reminders, asking questions about what's going on.

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This young lady loved her new sledge.



We're loving this snow lady!
It's made us all smile 😊



This young lady is wowing us all with her dancing skills. Overall winner in her category!



This young man had a ball playing in the snow with his friend.

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3rd Stocksbridge Scouts Food Drive (All school inc Nursery)

Thank you to everyone who has already donated towards the 3rd Stocksbridge Scouts Food Drive. The current leaderboard of the schools participating is as follows:






1. Warncliffe Side Primary
2. **Stocksbridge Nursery Infants**
3. Stocksbridge Juniors
4. Foxhill AND Deepcar St. John's
5. Stocksbridge St. Ann's

The drive will continue next week. Let's see if we can push into 1st place!

The 3rd Stocksbridge Scouts Multi-School Food Drive 13th to the 24th of March



Our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts are organizing and running food drives in the local schools and all donations will be taken to the local Community Food Bank. Whilst we are helping the community we are having a competition to see which school can get the most donations per pupil. Help your school win whilst we work together to help our community!



Items Needed:

Tinned Fruit	Tinned Pudding	Laundry Soap
Tinned Veg	UHT Milk	Nappies
Tinned Meat	Dish Soap	Toiletries

Active Travel (All school inc Nursery)

We will be celebrating our Active Travelers in assembly next week. Our February statistics are included below for info. Well done to Class 2, who had the highest level of engagement in February with 100% of children getting a badge. Don't forget that our 10 Day Active Travel Challenge starts on Monday 20th March. Please see the programme attached to this Newsletter for more details.

ACTIVE JOURNEYS TAKEN	NUMBER OF BADGES EARNED	LEVEL OF ENGAGEMENT
2408 = 81%	 169	79%

Assembly Theme: anti-racism - Rosa Parks

Bags 2 School (All school inc Nursery)

We will be sending bags for school home on Monday 27th March for clothing donations. They need to be returned to school for 9am on Wednesday 29th March. Bags can be dropped off in the staff car park Wednesday morning. An area for you to leave your bags in will be clearly marked. **Please do not drop bags off before Wednesday morning.**

Bags 2 School is a company that specializes in good quality second hand clothing that can be re-used. All bags are weighed and school receives a payment for the total weight collected. The payment goes in to school funds, to support our children's learning.

Items wanted include: good quality adults and childrens clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains, towels.

Items not wanted include: duvets, pillows and cushions. **FOSNI will be happy to receive your good quality pre-loved uniform items.** Thank you!

Stocksbridge Town Council Coronation Flag Competition - Closing date 28th March 2023

(All school inc Nursery)

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 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

FOSNI Stall (All school inc Nursery)

The newly reformed FOSNI (Friends of Stocksbridge Nursery Infants) will be selling cakes and buns at our Easter Bonnet Parades **on Wednesday 29th March**. Alongside the cake stall they will also have a pre-loved school uniform stall. It would be great if you could support FOSNI and talk to the parents and see if you would like to join us too.

Donations of cakes and buns for the sale to be brought to school on **Tuesday 28th of March** please, ready for the sale on Wednesday.

FOSNI are also collecting good quality pre-loved uniform to sell in aid of school funds. Donations can be dropped off at the school office. Thank you!

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Food supplement vouchers for February Half Term (All school inc Nursery)

The Government Household Support Grant has been extended to assist with rising food and energy costs. A £15 food supplement voucher will be sent to the following groups to help over the half-term holidays:

- Families who claim income-based Free School Meals (FSM).
- Families who get income-assessed Early Years Support (2–4-Year-Olds).
- Young people leaving their care setting (Care Leavers).

Edenred have been chosen again as the supplier of the vouchers. Eligible families should receive their voucher letters by w/c Monday 27th March. The letter will include the website link for Edenred and clear instructions on how to download the voucher. If you need help with redeeming your voucher please speak to Miss Marshall in the school office, who will be happy to assist.

Summer Term 01 after school clubs (FAO Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

Bookings for our Summer Term after school clubs will open on Monday 20th March via ParentPay. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. Payment must be made at the time of booking. All clubs run from 2.45-4pm as follows:

Mondays – Dance Club open to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children - £2.50 per session

Tuesdays – Football Club (led by SWFC) open to Year 1 and Year 2 children - £2.50 per session

Wednesdays – Multisports Club open to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children - £1.50 per session

Thursdays - Football Club (led by SWFC) open to Year 1 and Year 2 children - £2.50 per session

Fridays - Multisports Club open to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children - £1.50 per session

Monday and Friday clubs will run for 5 weeks due to bank holiday and training day closure during the next half term. Tuesday to Thursday clubs will run for 6 weeks. More details will be provided in the ParentPay booking for each club. Any questions please contact the school office. Thank you!

Sheffield Directory – relaunched (All school inc Nursery)

The Sheffield Directory has been improved and relaunched. We think it's really great and thought we'd share it with you. On their website you'll find lots of information, advice and guidance about the services and activities that are available in your local community. You can access the website at:

<https://www.sheffielddirectory.org.uk>

Follow the TALK checklist to help keep your child safe online – a useful website for parents with older children. (All school inc Nursery) <https://talk.iwf.org.uk/>

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about iPADS

Apple debuted the first iPad in 2010, kickstarting the tablet market, and it remains the best-selling tablet to this day. Although Apple doesn't offer a child-specific version, iPads are hugely popular with youngsters due to their ease of use and endless choice of apps. There's a selection of models, with different-sized screens and distinct features – including the standard iPad; the iPad Air; the iPad Pro; and the iPad mini. Thankfully, they all offer parental controls so you can regulate how your child uses the device ... and how long they spend on it.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

PHYSICAL DAMAGE

While some tablets (such as the Amazon Fire Kids editions) come with rugged shock-proof cases, iPads aren't built for rough and tumble. They're also more expensive than most other tablets, and any damage your child's iPad suffers could be costly to repair. Buying a child-friendly case and screen protector for the device could be a wise move, especially if it's being used by younger ones.

SCREEN ADDICTION

Like most digital devices, tablets have the potential to become quite addictive. You might find your child spending too long staring at their iPad, which could lead to irritability, mood swings and a loss of interest in more important tasks. If this happens, be sure to visit the built-in screen time settings and ensure you limit how long they're able to spend on the device each day.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

18 CENSORED

Even if it would never occur to your child to go searching online for age-inappropriate sites, apps or information, there's always a possibility that something unexpected – perhaps a video that auto-plays or content incorrectly suggested by an algorithm – could appear on their tablet and upset them. You can help prevent this by adjusting the content settings (see our 'top tips' section below).

SIRI SUGGESTIONS

The parental controls built into iOS (the fundamental operating system of Apple devices) enable you to block access to most age-inappropriate content – but your child could potentially still bypass these restrictions (either accidentally or deliberately) by using Siri, Apple's voice-activated digital assistant. To avoid this, toggle the 'Ask Siri' functions to 'off' in the iPad's settings menu.

Advice for Parents & Carers

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Before letting little ones loose on an iPad, it's a good idea to set up Family Sharing, as this lets you utilise the parental controls to manage exactly how your child is able to use the device. You can do this fairly easily by going into the iPad's settings; once there, you'll be able to add an existing Apple account (if your child already has one) or set one up from scratch.

APPLY SOME LIMITS

The 'Downtime' function allows you to tell the iPad to lock itself at certain periods (at mealtimes or before bed, for instance), while 'App Limits' removes access to certain apps once they've been used for a specified length of time each day. The iPad can display a reminder when these limits have nearly been reached, letting your child mentally prepare for the end of their gaming or viewing time.

STOP ACCIDENTAL SPENDING

To empower your child with an increased sense of freedom on their device (without giving yourself something else to worry about in the process) you could enable the iPad's 'Ask to Buy' feature. Whenever your child tries to download or buy an app, game or product, the iPad sends you a request to approve (or deny) it. This option only becomes available if you've set up Family Sharing.

SET CONTENT AND PRIVACY RESTRICTIONS

The parental controls can stop the iPad from displaying explicit or age-inappropriate content (in apps like iTunes and Safari, for instance) when your child is signed into their account. You'll also be able to restrict the capacity to download and install apps, and you can specify permissions which prevent children from changing the iPad's privacy settings once you've selected them.

TRACK IT DOWN

Just like the iPhone, Apple's iPads have 'Find My' software to help you locate your child's iPad – or indeed, any linked Apple devices that have gone AWOL, including phones, watches and AirPods. If you enable 'Find My' in the settings menu, it will display the last known location of an iPad that's been mislaid, as well as giving you the option to lock a missing iPad that you suspect has been stolen.

Meet Our Expert

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