#### Weekly Newsletter 30 (8th May 2023)



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Nursery = RED. Reception = ORANGE. Yr1 = GREEN. Yr2 = BLUE.

Nest & Orchard = PURPLE. Whole school / mixed = BLACK.

#### What's happening in school w/c 9th May?

- School is closed on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May for the additional Coronation Bank Holiday.
- The school nurses will be in school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May for routine health screening with our Reception children.
- Mrs Hutchinson will share some information with parents of Y1 children at 1.30pm on Tuesday in the school hall. This will be followed by a Stay and Play session with your child in class where the focus will be on phonics.
- Football Club after school on Tuesday, 2.45 4.00pm (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery, Mrs. Bennett is teaching Class 7 and Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May.
- The school nurses will be in school on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May for routine health screening with our Reception 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 11<sup>th</sup> May.
- Football Club after school on Thursday, 2.45 4. 00pm (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 6 on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Class 3 have Forest School on Friday.
- 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 91%

Class 1: 94%

Class 2: 96%

Class 3: 99%

Class 4: 92%

Class 5: 90%

Class 6: 97%

Class 7: 94%

The Nest: 63%

The Orchard: 64%

Well done Class 3!

**Assembly Theme: Patience** 

#### Looking ahead to the w.b. 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023

- It's walk to school week!
- The assembly theme will be Prejudice.
- Lost property will be in the small yard on Monday morning for parents to peruse.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Class 4 on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May.
- We will be celebrating our Golden VIPs in assembly on Monday.
- Dance Club after school on Monday, 2.45 4.00pm (R, Yr1 & Yr2).
- Lost property will be in the small yard on the morning of Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May.
- Football Club after school on Tuesday, 2.45 4.00pm (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Lost property will be in the main yard on the morning of Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery and Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday.
- Year 2 children have drumming on Wednesday afternoon.
- Multisport after school on Wednesday, 2.45 4.00pm (R, Yr1 & Yr2).
- Lost property will be in the main yard on the morning of Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May.
- 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 6 on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May (Yr1 & Yr2).
- Class 3 have Forest School on Friday.
- The Nest are visiting Alpine Lodge on Friday morning.
- Multisport after school on Friday, 2.45 4.00pm (R, Yr1 & Yr2).

#### Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

**Charlie Cleaver.** I am very proud of Charlie. Last week he was staying with grandparents and he was an absolute superstar - at home and school. He was a little nervous about the Eyam trip but he was a real trouper and thoroughly enjoyed himself. Well done Charlie C. It's amazing what you achieve now you are older and braver.

#### **Nursery News**

Our Nursery children looked splendid in their crowns today - fit for any Royal picnic, and we had fun sharing lunch together and making flags. We have also continued our 'growing' work and would like to say a huge 'thank you' to Isaac's Grandma who kindly send us all sunflower seeds, flower pots and soil to plant and grow. We just need the sunshine now if anyone could order a bit of that please!

#### Star of the Week

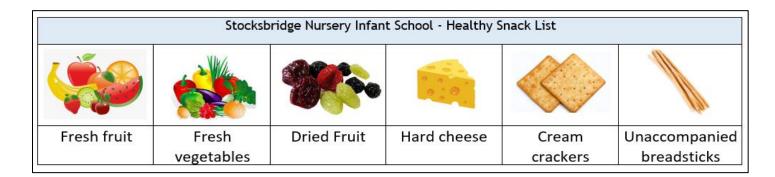
Evie-Rose Taff is such a friendly young lady who arrives each day with a tale to tell and a twinkle in her eyes. She is one of those young ladies who can just know what the 'right thing' to do is, and does it - be it a cheery word, a special hug or a helping hand. Evie-Rose is respectful, thoughtful and a good friend to all.

Tweak of the Week: Kind hands and feet inside and out!

#### School Menu Summer Term 2023

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Sausage and mash	Italian chicken with mixed rice	Roast chicken with roast potatoes & gravy	Minced beef pie with diced potatoes	Cheese and tomato pizza with chips & tomato sauce
Vegetarian main course	Loaded jacket wedges with cheese or beans	Beany tomato ragu with cous cous	Vegetable sausage with roast potatoes & gravy	Veggie sausage and mash	Cheesy pea pasta
Jacket potato and filling	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	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 Mixed salad	Garden peas Carrots	Cauliflower Cabbage	Green beans Sweetcorn	Baked beans Garden peas
Dessert	Oat and raisin cookie	Chocolate sponge with chocolate sauce	Ice cream and banana	Vanilla blondie and apple wedges	Strawberry cake

Yoghurt and fruit is also available each day as an alternative to desert along with a selection of breads, salads and fresh drinking water.



#### **Stocksbridge Library Maker Programme Pilot**

Stocksbridge Library have been given an amazing opportunity to be involved in the Maker {Story} programme as part of a pilot scheme. It will consist of a 4-week programme for families to take part in sessions constructing and creating linked to a different book each week. The sessions are aimed at children between 3 and 7 years and their families. If you are interested in taking part or would like to know more information please contact Lisa at the library.

Tel: 0114 273 4205 or e-mail: stocksbridge.library@sheffield.gov.uk







## This week's praise board







- All the children that went to The Balance Bike Festival at The High School were great! Thank you also to the grown-ups who helped them.
- Scarlett Appleby-Brown helped with lots of Nursery jobs this week.
- Harry Kaine enjoyed learning about King Charles III and could answer all the questions afterwards showing what super listening he must have been doing.
- Nancy Wharton-Lovett was a wonderful helper for Miss Spencer when she needed lots of different children fetching and finding to come and plant their seeds.
- Phoebe Harvey for always being a kind friend and helping anyone that needs it.
- Well done to all of class 7 for walking to and from the allotment so sensibly on Wednesday.
- Caleb Black and Seth Hirst for being so enthusiastic when digging and pulling the weeds from the soil.
- Thank you to Leo's Nan for allowing us to visit the allotment and to all our helpers too.
- Guy Gilbert did some fantastic phonics with Mrs Evans.
- Well Done to Erin Moore for being such an amazing class helper.
- Fantastic work by Cater Murphy, Lottie Moore, McKenna Somerfield, Ava Halliday and Milo Bond for sharing all your knowledge about growing with the class- we have all learnt lot!
- Wow wow wow Sebastian! You blew us away with your understanding of shapes this week well
- A HUGE thank you to all of our helpers that helped us to walk to and from the allotment safely on Wednesday. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.
- Huge WELL DONE to all of class 6 for their fantastic behaviour during our allotment visit. Miss. Kane and Mrs. McGrail are very proud of you all.
- Alice Spencer for holding the door open at lunchtime.
- To all of class 5 who have done some fantastic descriptive diary entries pretending they were alive when the Plague happened.
- Jax Brown has shown kindness to his friends this week. Thank you.
- Ella Cunningham has done some amazing writing about the trip to Eyam.
- Laurence Tibbles for being a super helper and a kind friend.
- l'Marai Hall-Mattis ALWAYS keeps our classroom tidy. Thank you l'Marai!
- Wrenn Bowden-Roebuck has worked hard with both her writing and maths this week.
- Ollie Shephard for helping at lunchtimes.



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

We were delighted to see the children's art work on display in town.







And here are two of our budding artists collecting their certificates. Well done to everyone involved!



This young lady did amazing in her first ice skating competition.



These lovely friends had a great time at the dance performance they did last week.

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Didn't we have a lovely time at Woodstockbridge!







#### 'Autism and Anxiety' Information Session

Sheffield Parent Carer Forum are running an information session for parent carers about 'Autism and Anxiety' on Monday 15th May at 10am - 11.30am at Primrose Family Centre (S6 2TN).

The session will consist of a presentation followed by plenty of time for discussion and peer support around any issues on this subject that parent and carers would like help with. There is no charge for the session and no diagnosis is required, all are welcome to attend. This may be beneficial to any parent and carers that currently have children or young people on the waiting list for diagnosis and are looking for some support in the meantime.

You can book your free place at: <a href="https://sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk/events/">https://sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk/events/</a>

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#### **Watching Squid and Huggy Wuggy**

Some children in school are accessing these games/youtube programs. For some children it dominates and affects their play. They role play inappropriately and this sometimes leads to others getting hurt. For some children, they become a little obsessed and it's not healthy in terms of turning their minds and brains to other play and learning. A request please that the children don't watch these or games which are not age appropriate. Thank you.

#### **Easyfundraising**

Easyfundraising is a way of raising FREE donations for your chosen charity or cause every time you shop online. Our school is registered with easyfundraising as 'Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School – Sheffield'. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself!

You can find our easyfundraising page at:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stocksbridgeingsch/?utm\_campaign=raise-more&utm\_medium=email&utm\_content=rm-gs-e1

These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. Thank you so much!

#### Free to a good home...



Our Clerk to governors wonders if anyone can make use of this Winnie the Pooh cot. It has only been used 2 or 3 times. She can deliver it if anyone would like it.

Please contact school.



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#### Calling out to all the green fingered folk out there!

The sun is shining (sometimes), the nights are getting lighter, the birds are singing, the bulbs are blooming. Miss Marshall has ventured out of her thermals....
It can only mean one thing....

#### **SPRING HAS SPRUNG!**

Calling all the green fingered folk among us. We'd like to reinvigorate our vegetable patch. Can you spare a little time and energy to help? Please contact the office to sign up. Thank you!



# 10 top tips for safely using SMARTWATCHES

Kids love gadgets, and smartwatches – available to buy from as little as £20 online – make a tempting gift. As with any type of mobile technology, though, smartwatches can pose risks to children unless they're used safely. Receiving unwanted calls, cyber-stalking and distracting a young person when they're crossing the road are all known risks associated with smartwatches. However, these devices can bring plenty of benefits for children and parents alike – so let's examine the pros and cons of smartwatches.

#### AVOID CHEAP OPTIONS

A quick search online yields a torrent of cheap smartwatches for kids, costing as little as £20. It's wise to avoid this bargain basement tach: it tends to deliver a poor experience with interior battery life, and it's hard to have faith in the software's safety. There have been cases of smartwatches being hacked to track or contact children; stick to known brands who have a resultation to protect.

#### **CONTROL CALLING**

Many smarrwatches have the facility to make or take calls. As with a phone, you may want to restrict who your child can call – or be called by. On Apple Watches, you can select trusted contacts who are allowed to ring your child, while other watches' controls vary hugely. Some need to connect to a linked phone for calls, so you may be able to block unknown contacts via that device instead.

#### BEWARE HIDDEN COSTS

For a smartwatch to allow calls independently (that is, without being connected to a phone via Bluetooth). It will need its own mobile data plan. This might take the form of a tiny SiM card that you slot into the watch – or an SSIM, where the physical card is replaced by software settings. Either way, this will incur an additional monthly cost that you'll need to factor into gay be will accledent.

## ENABLE FAMILY

Apple Watches aren't cheap, but they do offer superb safety leatures — allowing parents to control calls, messages and emails on the device, as well as a location tracking system that can send alerts if kids wander beyond pre-set boundaries. Their SOS function enables children to contact emergency services instantly if they're in trouble, which simultaneously also alerts parents and carers.

### TRACK ITS LOCATION

Both Apple and Android devices have apps which allow you to track a smartwatch's location. They can also initiate an audio aler avoiding those cushion-hurling panies when a treasured device can't be found at home. If you're planning to track your child's location via their watch, make them aware of that in advance. You could even make it a condition of them getting the watch in the first large.

#### THINK 'SAFETY FIRST'

Smartwatches are often worth hundreds of pounds, which can make young people wearing one a target for thieves. Advise your child to keep the watch hidden in public (when possible) and not to resist if muggers demand their watch. If you manage to track a stolen device, pass that information to the police: location data isn't always accurate, so you could end up wronaly accusing someone.

## STORE MEDICAL INFO

Devices including the Samsung Golaxy Watch and Apple Watch can store the owner's medical details (such as their blood group and any pre-existing medical conditions), potentially giving emergency services access to vital information in a crisis. These devices also have hard fall' detection, which sends a text message to selected contacts along with a map showing the wearer's location.

## USE THEM AS MOTIVATION

you're worried your child's pending too much time lumped on the sofa staring at creens, smartwatches are great thess trackers and can be a owerful incentive to get moving, orne devices will alert the wearer they've been inactive for a long me and encourage them to do one exercise. Many watches soord the user's daily step count

#### MAKE THEM COOL FOR SCHOOL

Some schools have banned smartwatches, as pupils have been using them as substitute phones. If your child's school does permit them, some devices can be set to prevent distractions in class. For example, Apple's Schooltime feature turns their watches into ordinary time-keeping devices during school hours. The display changes in this mode, showing teachers that it isn't being used for other purposes.

#### BE MINDFUL OF BEDTIME

Many smartwatches offer sleep tracking, which some (usually older) children use to justify wearing them to bed. However, that also presents a temptation to message friends or check social media late at night, even if their phone is downstairs. Unless there's a valid reason not to, you could encourage your child to remove the watch in the evenings and ensure the charger stays in a different room.



#### Meet Our Expert

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