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What's happening in school next week!

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

- Mrs Bailey is teaching Class 3 in the afternoon of Mon 2nd October.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around school at 1.30-2.30pm on Monday. Please contact the school office to book.
- Dance Club 3.00-4.00pm on Monday.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Tuesday 3rd October.
- Mrs Townsend is not in school on Tuesday or Wednesday – paediatric first aid training!
- Mrs Bailey is teaching Class 2 and Mrs Greenwood is teaching Class 3 in the afternoon on Tuesday.
- Football Club on Tuesday, 3.00-4.00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery and Mr Barker is teaching Class 6 on Wednesday 4th October.
- Wednesday is National Walk or Bike to School day.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday afternoon.
- All our year 2 children have drumming on Wednesday afternoon.
- Athletics Club on Wednesday, 3.00-4.00pm.
- Miss Spencer is teaching Class 8 in the morning on Thursday 5th October and Class 7 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching The Orchard on Thursday afternoon.
- Multisports Club on Thursday, 3.00-4.00pm.
- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday 6th October.
- Mrs Kane is teaching Class 6 on Friday.
- Art Club on Friday, 3.00-4.00pm.

Attendance

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

Class 1: 99%

Class 2: 98%

Class 3: 98%

Class 5: 99%

Class 6: 95%

Class 7: 91%

Class 8: 94%

The Orchard: 86%

Well done Classes 1 & 5

Photographs.

All children will be having their individual school photos taken on Wednesday 11th October. Combed hair and clean school uniform day and we promise not to do anything messy until they've had their photo taken. We automatically organize for siblings to have their photos taken together. If you have children not attending our school, younger or older, and you'd like a family photo, please book in as Steve Cooper is coming the 9th November and he promises to have the prints back by Christmas.

Looking ahead to the w.b. 9th Oct

- The assembly theme will be 'Our Golden Rules'.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching Class 3 in the afternoon of Monday 9th October.
- Dance Club 3.00-4.00pm on Monday.
- Tuesday 10th October is Hello Yellow Day. We're raising awareness and funds to support mental health. The children can come to school in something yellow. If you wish to make a donation, please do so via ParentPay.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around school at 9.15-10.15am on Tuesday. Please contact the school office to book.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching Class 2 and Mrs Greenwood is teaching Class 3 in the afternoon on Tuesday.
- Football Club on Tuesday, 3.00-4.00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching Class 1 on Weds afternoon.
- All our year 2 children have drumming on Weds afternoon.
- Athletics Club on Wednesday 3.00-4.00pm.
- Miss Spencer is teaching Class 8 in the morning on Thursday 12th October and Class 7 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching The Orchard on Thurs afternoon.
- Multisports Club on Thursday, 3.00-4.00pm.
- Class 2 have Forest School on Friday 13th October.
- Art Club on Friday, 3.00-4.00pm.

Mrs Townsend's Pupils of the Week

Pippa Guy. She comes to school every day with a smile on her face, determined to do her best. She is a real asset to our school and we all love having her around. She is cheery and polite and always has a hello for the grown-ups around school. She would not dream of not following the Golden Rules; it would never enter her head not too! Pips may be quiet, but she definitely does not go unnoticed.

Nursery News

With the squirrels chasing each other around outside and peppering us with acorns from the trees, there could only be one topic of conversation this week - Autumn. We have enjoyed breaking open the spiky conker husks to see what was inside, found twirly 'helicopter' seeds, looked at how beech nuts slotted into their shells and brushed no end of leaves from the grass.

Star of the Week:

Harry Brown has a smile that can light up any room. He is so eager to learn, help, listen and try new things. Even when he finds something tricky Ha keeps trying and of course, keeps smiling. He makes us all feel so happy!







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School Menu Summer Term 2023 (All school including Nursery)

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Minced beef pie with diced potatoes	Italian chicken with mixed rice	Roast chicken with roast potatoes & gravy	Sausage and mash	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 are also available each day as an alternative to desert along with a selection of breads, salads and fresh drinking water.

Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School - Healthy Snack List

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

Lunchboxes (All school inc Nursery) Could we please ask that children bring healthy lunches from home if they are not having a school meal. It is fine for the children to bring a cake bar, a biscuit etc. for dessert but please do not send chocolate or sweets. Thank you.

After School Clubs (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

If your child is attending an after-school club, please send them with an additional snack and drink which they can have before the club starts. Some of the children were **very** hungry by the end of the club. Thank you.

Assembly Theme: Being in My World



This week's praise board



- Remy Clayton for always setting a good example with good listening and sitting. Keep shining, Remy!
- Wrenn for growing in confidence and putting her hand up in every lesson.
- Elissa Nicholson for doing brilliant reading during our guided reading session.
- Well Done to Phoebe Hobson and Jack Woodhouse for been voted onto School Council by the rest of class 5.
- Aria Boudabouza for been a superstar when she found her maths a little tricky she persisted with it and then we couldn't stop her!! Well Done Aria.
- Mrs. Townsend enjoyed the game with Arthur, Tyson and Leo this week at lunchtime. Some great catching.
- Ella Payne was amazing at drumming this week.
- Luca Tawade always greets adults to cheerfully in the morning. He makes the start of all our days really well.
- Remy Clayton is a delight to have in school. He tries very hard in absolutely everything – learning, behaviour and being a generally wonderful chap!
- Sam Wood was so proud of his handwriting this week.
- Thank you, Class 1, for looking after Bridie.
- Rory Harkness comes into school every day with a huge smile on his face. He has worked so hard this week on his handwriting and spelling.
- Lucas Howcroft did some super independent writing this week using adjectives! Well done!
- Rohan Simmons is trying so hard with his handwriting!
- It was lovely to hear Junior Gould-Clegg say 'I'm so excited it's phonics!'
- Milo Bond is a great mathematician.
- Phoebe Harvey is always smiling and sand her heart on Thursday in assembly.
- Scarlett Brown showed us her super moves in go noodle this week!
- It is lovely to see Remi Guy, Emily Jowitt and Riley Freestone come into school with big smiles on their faces this week!
- Thank you to Freya Morgan, Ada Shaw and Autumn Frost for being Mrs Lloyd's helpers at lunch time this week.
- Adem Boudabouza for taking his time and producing a beautiful painting of a leaf.
- Thank you, Oscar and Millie Hardcastle, for sharing your home learning with us and seesaw and teaching us all about the word of the week.
- Ella-Jo Brown always has a please and thank you which class 6 and the meal time supervisors really appreciate.
- Riley Fleetwood made us smile this week during welly Wednesday. He knows lots about the environment and shared all his wonderful knowledge with us.
- Thank you for always helping class 6 follow the rules Lucian Worrall especially during tidy up time.
- Freddie Christian helped sweep up lots of the leaves that had fallen off the trees. He worked hard for a long time and has the muscles to prove it!
- Miss Rogers thoroughly enjoyed playing scoops and balls with Grayson Howcroft and Ezra Stead-Caprice. They took turns beautifully and offered lots of praise and encouragement when she caught it!
- Lucas Westby has been trying hard to talk to the grown-ups more this week.
- Evelyn Pitt is coming into Nursery and getting 'stuck straight in' like she has been here forever.

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Income Based Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Funding (all school inc Nursery)

Every year schools receive additional funding based on the number of pupils who claim Income Based Free School Meals by the census date, which this year is Thurs 5th October 2023. This additional funding is called pupil premium and is used to benefit all learners as well as provide targeted interventions for children who require additional support. It differs from Universal Free School Meals, which is funding that all schools receive so that every child in reception, year 1, and year 2 can be offered a free hot school meal.

If you are in receipt of Income Based Free School Meals your child will receive a free hot meal in school, free school milk AND you may also receive holiday food vouchers and other related support. Eligibility is assessed according to family income. Your child may be eligible if:

*you are in receipt of Universal Credits with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400

*you receive Income Support or Income Based Job Seekers Allowance

*your family income is below £16,190 with no Working Tax Credits

Eligibility is assessed for each child individually, which means that siblings are not automatically eligible. A separate application has to be submitted for each child.

The school can easily check your child's eligibility using the details that you provided when your child started school, but we need your permission to do so. If you think your child may be eligible and would like us to check please contact the school office. You can contact the school office by emailing enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk, phoning 0114 2883109 or calling in to the office in person.

Thank you!

Headlice in school (all school inc Nursery)

We have had a number of confirmed cases of headlice around school. Headlice are very common in younger children and their families and are very easily spread by close head to head contact.

Please check your child and treat if necessary. A parent's guide to headlice is attached to this newsletter for info. Wet combing is still the best method of detection and removal. Shampoos kill the lice but not their eggs (the nits), which can then hatch and the cycle starts again.

We have combs available for free in school, please just call in to the office or ask a member of teaching staff.

Further advice and guidance is available via the NHS website at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/> The charity Community Hygiene Concern also has a video about wet combing for head lice.

Thank you.

Monster Phonics (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

We have introduced a new scheme in school to teach phonics. Monster Phonics is a whole school scheme. It teaches children to read by enabling them to identify the letters and to blend sounds together to read words. We have spent the last couple of weeks assessing the children and identifying any gaps in their knowledge.

Monster Phonics uses a multi-sensory approach – the children use their different senses to learn, not rely on just listening, looking or doing but using combinations of approaches to make it easier for the children to remember; to make the learning stick.

The sounds are put into 10 colour groups and each colour has a corresponding monster character.

Children at Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School start their Monster Phonics Learning in Reception and continue into Year One and Two. The children are taught in their year groups. The Year One children in Classes 7 & 2 will come together and be taught by Miss Palmer in the hall.

We will be sending home packs with the phonemes (sounds) your child will be learning each week, the keywords they will need to learn to read (and in Years One and Two spell) and the ebooks we would like you to share with your child each week.

There is more information on our [website](#). Below is information about a free webinar.

Monster Phonics ****FREE**** webinar for Parents & Carers

Parents and Carers are invited to attend a free webinar about our 'Monster Phonics' scheme on Wednesday 4th October at 7-8pm. The webinar is intended to help parents better understand how we teach phonics in school and offers guidance on how to use Monster Phonics at home to support your child's learning. If you would like to attend, please book a place by visiting:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/monster-phonics-a-guide-for-parents-tickets-668760981097?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

In addition to the eBooks, your child will begin bringing home an additional phonics book to practise reading using the sounds they know. These books are organised using numbers.

In their book bags there will also be a book with a coloured sticker. These books do not rely on phonics (using their knowledge of sounds) but help children practise other skills such as recognising keywords. Keywords are those words that you just have to know on sight, either because they are used so often in our language, or because they don't follow the rules. The books with coloured labels also use repetition or prompt the children to look at the pictures to work out what the words say.

We are happy to run a little session on reading if parents would find this useful. Please let your child's class teacher know if you would be interested in this and the time of day that would suit you best.

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Harvest Festival (all school inc Nursery)

Our Harvest Festival is on Monday 16th October. We will donate all our offerings to Stocksbridge Food Hub. We would be most grateful if, on the 16th October, you could send your child to school with a tin or packet of food. During assembly, each child comes up to the front to make their offering.



Year 2 Halloween Disco (Year 2)

We are holding a Halloween Disco for our Year 2 children on Wednesday 1st November at 4.30-5.30pm. The to attend is £3 per child. We will set up a payment item on ParentPay. There will be no need to bring any additional cash on the night. We'll send more information nearer the date.



Christmas Fair (all school inc Nursery)

Our small, but effective, FOSNI (Friends of Stocksbridge Nursery Infant) team are hoping to hold a Christmas Fair on Tuesday 12th December after school. The reason to add it so early to a newsletter is to ask if you would begin saving things for us.

- Empty clean jam jars
- Bottle bags

If you have a sort of soft toys in the run up to Christmas, please could we have them to put in a soft toy raffle. If you have any unopened, unused and unwanted gifts lurking in drawers and cupboards, would you please consider donating these to school so we can use them in a raffle.

We'll send more information, probably on a regular basis as we move through the term. The stalls we are hoping to run, to give you some ideas are:

Homemade stall of bakes and other goodies, a jar tombola (hence the need for lots of jars), a bottle raffle, lucky dip, soft toy tombola, face painting, festive tattoos, a decoration stall and a chocolate hamper raffle. We're hoping for some festive music from a local brass band and there will be refreshments for sale.

Class 6, 7 and 8 PJ day - Monday 2nd October

Next week we are reading the story 'Peace at Last', a book about a bear who cannot get to sleep. To hook the children into the text we would love them to come to school on Monday (2nd Oct) in their pyjamas.

Class 7 and Class 8 have outdoor P.E on Monday so please make sure they are warm PJ's and still have trainers. They can wear dressing gowns, but like coats please make sure they are named.

Many thanks

Class 6, Class 7 and Class 8 teams.

Macmillan Bun Sale – Friday 29th September

Thank you to everyone who brought buns and made donations for our Macmillan Bun Sale today. We raised £120 for the charity and all had a deliciously fun time doing it!

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Word of the Week



dweller



Meaning

- A person or animal that lives in a certain place.



Challenge

Which dweller could or does live here?

CELEBRATING WORDS

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about THE DANGERS OF VAPING

Data collected for ASH (Action on Smoking and Health) shows an increase in 11 to 17-year-olds experimenting with vaping: from 7.7% in 2022 to 11.6% in 2023. It's concerning that these age-restricted products are getting into the hands of under 18s as most contain nicotine, which can be detrimental to brain development and cause long-term addiction. Some schools have reported students having their focus in lessons affected by nicotine cravings; vaping in school toilets; and even trying vapes found in their local park. Raising awareness of the risks among young people could help to prevent these problems from escalating and reduce the number of young vapers.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

NICOTINE ADDICTION

Since they were initially developed to help people stop smoking, the vast majority of vape liquids contain nicotine. Not only is this a highly addictive stimulant, but it can also have detrimental effects on brain development in the under-25s. Nicotine can decrease the ability to pay attention, weaken impulse control, affect mood and increase the likelihood of substance addiction as an adult.

WHAT IS VAPING?

Vapes contain a liquid (vape juice/e-liquid) that is heated by a battery and evaporates, creating a chemical vapour which the user inhales. They can be disposable (once the liquid or battery runs out, the vape is thrown away) or rechargeable (the user replaces the liquid and recharges the battery on demand). Most vape liquids contain nicotine and other chemicals.

LACK OF AWARENESS

A proportion of young people tend to view vapes as harmless, mainly because of the products' appearance and the perception (often strengthened on social media) that 'vaping is cool' and on trend. In many instances, young people don't fully appreciate the concept of addiction; that is, they aren't adequately aware of the risk of becoming hooked on nicotine before trying a vape.

POTENTIAL TOXICITY

Many vape liquids have been found to contain heavy metals such as lead, tin, nickel and (in some cases) mercury – all of which are toxic. These metals often take the form of tiny shards inside a device's liquid tank, which are then inhaled into the body. Some media reports have suggested these metals are particularly prevalent in illegally imported vapes which don't comply with UK regulations.

UNCLEAR LONG-TERM CONSEQUENCES

The liquids in vapes also contain solvents, which can create carcinogens at the point of evaporation. Vapes were only introduced into the UK in 2005 – and, because of the relatively short timeframe involved, there is insufficient medical evidence to assess the long-term harms that regular inhalation of these chemical fluids might have on the human body.

ATTRACTIVE PACKAGING

The packaging of many disposable vapes is very appealing to young people, frequently echoing the colours and flavours of the sweets or fizzy drinks they're used to buying. There's a relative lack of regulation around vape marketing, and vaping is often depicted positively on social media – which can lead young people to develop favourable views of vaping and overlook the possible harms.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

In the UK alone, around 5 million disposable vapes go to landfill every week. Due to such significant numbers of these products not being recycled, their components – a lithium battery and a chemical liquid – pose a toxic risk to the environment, the ecosystem and wildlife. Vapes are also predominantly made of plastic and metal: materials that, of course, do not naturally decompose.

WIDER HEALTH CONCERNS

Studies are already showing a link between vaping and oral health problems such as tooth decay and gum disease. This is because vaping reduces the amount of saliva in the mouth, while increasing bacteria – resulting in bad breath and a build-up of plaque. There are also concerns that, in some users, vaping could lead to the development of asthma, a persistent cough and breathing difficulties.

UNREGULATED VAPING PRODUCTS

The number of retailers willing to sell vapes to under-18s is a worry, as the chance of these products being unregulated (and therefore containing illegal chemicals and higher levels of nicotine) is high. A related concern is that the mechanisms inside unregulated products are unlikely to have been tested and safety checked – presenting a possible fire risk if the liquid and battery come into contact.

SCARCE INFORMATION

The lack of information about the ingredients and potentially harmful chemicals in a vape is troubling. Some vape fluids (unregulated in the UK) contain traces of nuts, which can cause an allergic reaction or anaphylactic shock. To date, medical warnings aren't required on vape packaging – with only medical disclaimers being found on the websites of the various brands.

VAGUE INGREDIENTS LISTS

Early research has suggested that the chemicals used to produce some strawberry and banana flavour e-liquids can kill cells in the blood vessels and heart. These ingredients aren't identified on the packaging, instead falling under the umbrella term 'natural and artificial flavourings'. Such vague listings mean that consumers aren't aware of the liquid's content so can't identify potential risks.

Meet Our Expert

Run by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Healthy Schools Service (commissioned by Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council), Catch Your Breath is a school-based project aimed at young people. Its goal is to embed a proactive, coordinated approach among both primary and secondary schools in discouraging smoking and vaping behaviours.



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