Weekly Newsletter 20 (9th February 2024)

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What's happening in school after the holiday?

- Miss Kane is teaching class 6 Monday to Thursday and Mrs Ollerenshaw is teaching on Friday.
- Mrs McGhee will not be back at work. Miss Spencer will teach Class 7 all week. Mrs Ollerenshaw will cover Miss Spencer's ½ day PPA.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Monday afternoon.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Monday afternoon. Miss Rogers is attending some training.
- Dance club on Monday 3:00 4:00pm.
- On Tuesday we are celebrating 100% attendance for Spring term 1 in assembly.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching The Orchard and Mrs Greenwood is teaching class 3 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Craft club on Tuesday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 1 on Wednesday afternoon.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Mrs Ollerenshaw is teaching class 7 on Thursday morning and class 8 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 2 on Thursday afternoon.
- Y2 have drumming on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics on Thursday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Nursery on Friday.
- Curriculum newsletters will be sent home today. Mid-year reports for Classes 1,2,3,5,6 & 8 will come home today. This is our main report of the year. Reports for The Orchard and Nursery will be sent home in the summer term. Parents of Class 7 will be informed when their reports will arrive.





Attendance

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

Class 1: 97%

Class 2: 94%

Class 3: 100%

Class 5: 96%

Class 6: 96%

Class 7: 96%

Class 8: 94%

The Orchard: 94%

Well done Class 3

Punctuality

Our doors open at 8.20am and learning starts at 8.30am. Our Phonics teaching begins at 8.45am each day. We have too many children coming late each day. Here's the number of children late this week.

Monday: 13

Tuesday: 15

Wednesday: 15

Thursday: 14

Friday: not recorded.

Total: 57

Assembly Theme: Exploration and Discovery

• Art club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

Looking ahead to the 26th February 2024

- The assembly theme will be 'Famous women in History'.
- Miss Kane is teaching class 6 Monday to Thursday and Mrs Ollerenshaw is teaching on Friday.
- Miss Spencer is teaching class 7 on Monday afternoon and then for the rest of the week. Mrs
 Townsend is teaching Class 7 on Monday morning.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Monday afternoon.
- Dance club on Monday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching the Orchard on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs Greenwood is teaching Class 1 in the afternoon
- Craft club on Tuesday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Parent-Teacher meetings Tuesday 27th February 3.15 6.45pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 1 on Wednesday afternoon.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Mrs Ollerenshaw is teaching class 7 on Thursday morning and class 8 in the afternoon.
- Y2 drumming on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics on Thursday 3:00 4:00pm.
- Mrs Tonks is teaching Nursery on Friday.
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After school clubs

Mondays - Dance. 3 - 4pm.

Tuesdays – Craft Club 3 – 4pm.

Wednesdays – Football with coaching from SUFC. 3 – 4pm.

Thursdays – Gymnastics. 3 – 4pm.

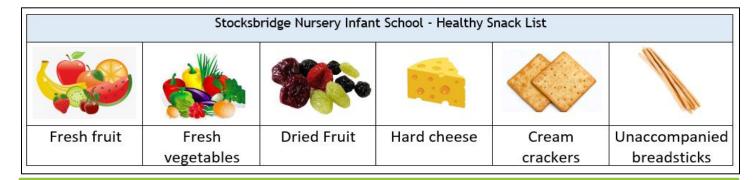
Fridays – Art club. 3 – 4pm.

All our clubs are on a first come first served basis. If any clubs are unavailable, please contact the school office and your child can be added to a reserves list.

School Menu Autumn/Winter 2023 (All school including Nursery)

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	BBQ chicken with rice	Beef pasta bolognaise	Pork sausage toad in the hole with roast potatoes & gravy	Chicken pie	Cheese and tomato pizza with chips
Vegetarian main course	Cheese & onion pastry roll with baked potato wedges	Veggie pasta bolognaise	Vegetable sausage toad in the hole with roast potatoes and gravy	Macaroni cheese	Onion bhaji burger with chips
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	Ham	Ham	Ham	Ham	Ham
	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Sweetcorn Garden peas	Green beans Carrots	Seasonal greens Cauliflower	Mixed vegetables Sweetcorn	Baked beans Garden peas
Dessert	Apple crumble bar	Lemon cake with custard	Banana cake with fruit	Chocolate cookie	Strawberry jelly

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



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.

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.

Phonics, Keyword and Reading at home.

Next week your child will be learning the following sounds (phonemes) and keywords in class. By the end of the week we want our Reception children to be able to recognise the sounds and read the keywords. Children in Year One and Two should be able to recognise the sounds, read and spell the keywords. Please help them by practising these at home and sharing the appropriate Monster Phonic eBooks.

The website has been made better with access to more books. We believe Monster Phonics are going to email parents directly.

	Reception	Year One	Year Two
Sounds/Phonemes	oa	ear (as in appear) ear (as in bear)	Review kn Adding suffix
Keywords	come some were one	Floppy any many every everyone baby only suddenly pulled	any more prove many improve pretty gone more horse live lived pulled want wanted
eBooks to share	A load on the road	A horrid monster appears Not afraid of bears.	The life of a knight



We have bought the subscription to eBooks for parents but our records are showing that many still have to activate their account. Below are instructions on how to do so. It's important the children read the books each week so that they are making the progress through the scheme they need to.

Word of the Week



flora



The plants that grown in a certain place or at a certain time.

Meaning Challenge

Take photos of your favourite fauna and upload them to Seesaw

CELEBRATING WORDS

Assembly Theme: Exploration and Discovery

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

Also known as Monkey Cool, this platform aims to fill the gap left by Omegle (which has now shut down) by placing users in random video chats with strangers. Participants use their mobile number and Snapchat username to connect to the service, where they can make matches, message other people and join group chats. The mobile version has been removed from the App Store due to safety concerns, but iPhone owners can still access the site via their web browser. The app remains available on Google Play, where its listing claims that Monkey has more than 30 million users worldwide

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

The app claims to use AI to detect sexual content or activity that violates its policies, along with having a 24/7 moderation team. having a 24/7 moderation team. However, reports in the media continue to indicate that explicit cantent remains commonplace on Monkey (including sexually graphic or violent material) and is therefore accessible to anybody who uses the app – including those aged under 18.



While Monkey is free to download, it nevertheless offers in-app purchases promising to unlock access to premium features. For example, users who wish to make use of 'Knock Knock chat' (Monkey's text-based messaging option), rather than the app's Chatroulette-style random video calling feature, will need to pay to be calling feature, will need to pay to be able to do so.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

The obvious risk in accepting random video chat partners is that users cannot know what or who they will see on their next connection. Talking to strangers is, of course, potentially dangerous – especially for children who might be persuaded to meet up with these people offline. The app lets users find each other by location, increasing the chances of a child being matched with a stranger from their local area.

INTRUSIONS ON PRIVACY

According to Monkey's privacy policy, personal information (such as name, profile picture and date of birth), user-contributed content (any photos, texts, videos and screenshots shared) and each

Advice for Parents & Carers

DISCUSS THE DANGERS

Even if you're comfortable with your child using Monkey, it's still important to talk about the potential dangers. It's crucial, for instance, that young people recognise the risks that stem from video chatting with strangers; that they understand not to share identifying information (like their street or school name); and that they know what to do if they are exposed to inappropriate content.

RESTRICT IN-APP PURCHASING

If your child is accessing Monkey via an Android device, you can prevent them from making in-app purchases through the device's settings. If you do allow your child to use the site, we'd recommend that you enable this feature: young people have been known to spend significant amounts of money in their desire to unlock more features in apps

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REPORT INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

CENSORED Monkey states in the safety section of its site that "people are given the power" and that, to a large extent, Monkey is "self-governing." If a user is exposed to sexually explicit or inappropriate content on the platform, they can select the 'police' emoji in the top right corner of their screen to submit a report for Monkey's moderation team to review.

SPOT THE SIGNS

If you're concerned that your child is spending too much time on Monkey – or that they may have been exposed to inappropriate or distressing content – it's important to watch for potential indications that they've been affected emotionally. They could be unusually irritable or unable to concentrate, for example, or falling to complete their homework or even to eat regular meals.

Meet Our Expert





National Online Safety #WakeUpWednesday









Staff changes

Today we said farewell to the lovely Mrs Worsley. Deb joined us in February 2022 as a meal time supervisor. She has moved on to work with individual children and has been supporting the children in our Orchard for a while now. The children love Mrs Worsley as she plays great games with them and we know they will miss her. We wish her well.

In organising support for The Orchard, it has meant some 'shuffles' elsewhere in school. Mrs Charlesworth has agreed to work full time again from February and we are very grateful. Mrs Beal-Edwards will also extend her hours to work full time. Mrs Whitworth will continue with her current hours (Tuesday morning, Thursdays and Fridays.) Mr Barker will support on Mondays, Tuesday afternoons and Wednesdays. Mrs Turner is increasing her hours slightly and will work all week other than Tuesday afternoon when Mrs Bailey teaches.

Mr Barker will no longer teach Class 6. Miss Kane will teach the class for four days a week, taking just a day out for her planning and preparation time. In the short term, Mrs Ollerenshaw will teach Class 6 one day per week. This will usually be a Friday but we'll let you know via the newsletter and on the website if the day changes. Mrs Ollerenshaw retired from here a couple of years ago but she's never really left. She has been popping in ever since covering supply for us.

Miss Spencer is currently teaching Class 7, as one of our resident HLTAs, with the support of her teaching colleagues. Whilst Miss Spencer is tied up in Class 7, Mrs Staniforth and Mrs Parsons will support in Class 6. The children know all the grown-ups they'll be working with us.

Miss Saville is joining us as a lunchtime supervisor after the half term and will work with Class 2 children. Mrs Stock will move to support Class 6 children. We are still short of 'one and a bit' lunchtime staff if anyone is interested!

Crossing Patrol

We have been without a crossing patrol now since October. If anyone knows of someone who might like this role would you direct them to the Sheffield City Council website via this <u>link</u>. Thank you.

Lunchtime supervisor vacancies

We are currently advertising 2 vacancies to work over lunchtime. One is five days per week until the summer and the other is for three days per week, again until the summer. The latter role is to cover lunch duty for our Class 3 children on Wednesdays, Thursday and Fridays. Our lunchtime staff work for 1 hour 25 mins each day. If you are interested, please collect more information and an application form from the school office.



FOSNI will be at this Table Top Sale.
You will be able to buy preloved
jumpers, t-shirts, dresses and trousers.
Our school badges will also be
available.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Tilly Anderson. She has the most wonderful upbeat attitude to learning, school and life in general. It is a joy to be around her. Tilly is polite, considerate and not following the Golden Rules just wouldn't enter her head. She has lovely social schools – always a cheery hello for anyone she sees around school. How lucky are we to have her in our school?

Nursery News

Aside from the wonderful snowy fun we had on Thursday, there has been so much other learning happening too. The children enjoying finding out all about Chinese New Year and after mastering their chopsticks, they have also practised their cutting skills in order to make Chinese lanterns, learnt about China, performed puppet shows to retell the story of the animals crossing the river and made their own Chinese dragons. It's been lovely to see them so interested, asking questions and proudly telling us everything they have found out

Star of the Week

Harry Lodge we are so proud of the tremendous progress you have made so far. Your fun, happy and easy-going nature makes you a pleasure to have in Nursery and we love to spend time with you chatting and playing. You are a smashing young man who makes our days bright and cheery.







This week's praise board







- Lydia Horsfield listens carefully to instructions and follows them every time. When I say come and sit on the carpet, she does this straight away and is ready to learn.
- Alice Marsh tidied up all the chairs in a different class. Thank you Alice.
- Oliver Jarvis did excellent writing this week and tried really hard to sound out the tricky words he was trying to spell.
- Lottie Moore and Scarlett Milnes have been so helpful this week and have helped tidy the classroom and tuck under chairs.
- Thank you so much to all our wonderful parents that walked us safely to and from the library on Monday.
- Miss. Kane is so proud of the way class 6 behaved at the library. Impeccable manners and respectful of all the library property they used. Well Done!
- Reggie Platts and Harry Radford picked up all the paper towels off the floor in the boys bathroom-Thank you.
- Super phonics by Ava Hible, Shanelle Kiffin, Olivia Stokes, Logan Barden and George Harwood this week.
- He kept on going when he found a task a bit difficult, well done Harrison Spencer.
- Caleb Black has been super helpful this week. Thank you.
- Erin Moore has been very kind, helping the children in class 6 put their painting on the drying rack when they got a little stuck. Erin has also been spotted tidying away at the end of sessions and helping Mrs Greenwood find things in the classroom. Thank you Erin.
- Dylan Brearley helped to keep the classroom floor tidy this week.
- Lucas Howcroft has helped take the paper register to the office when our star of the day was busy.
- Jenson Clarkson has been trying really hard with his work this week and produced some great work.
- Huge thank you to all the grown up's that helped us walk to and from the library safely.
- Thank you to Maddie Harwood for making the grown-ups a yummy bun.
- Grayson Howcroft was the best snowballer yesterday watch out!
- Destiny Ryan is becoming more and more independent.
- Ronnie Waters loves to learn. He listens intently, remembers and then teaches his friends. What a star and what maturity.
- Miss. Kane would like to thank Phoebe Harvey. She always has a beautiful big smile and something kind to say when she sees me and it's made my week.
- Thank you to Haley Dobson who offered to take Mrs T home if she got stuck.
- Thank you to Lottie Moore who offered to share her room with any grown-ups from school who couldn't get home.
- Thank you colleagues Thursday was a great team effort.



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.



This lovely girl is learning to swim with her Auntie and it looks like she's doing really well! Keep up the good work!

Parents Evenings

Parents evenings will be available to book on ESchools from 18th February 2024 at 6pm.

Classes 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8 - meetings will be held on 27/02/24 between 3:15 and 5.55pm and on 12/03/24 between 3:15 and 4:35pm.

Class 1 and **class 5** will have the opportunity to book a telephone call on 27/02 between 5:45 and 6:05pm if parents would prefer this. **Class 2** will have the opportunity to book a telephone call on 28/02 between 3:30 and 4:05pm and **class 8** between 3:15 and 4:25pm.

Class 6 will have the opportunity to book a telephone call on 01/03 between 9:00 and 9:50am.

Class 3 will have the opportunity to book a telephone call on 06/03 between 3:30 and 5:30pm.

Nursery – face to face meetings will be held on 27/02/24 between 3:15 and 6:35pm, 28/02/24 between 9:00 and 10:20am then again between 1:45 and 2:35pm. There will be more on 12/03/24 between 3:15 and 4:35pm.

The Orchard will have meetings arranged on an individual basis.

Class 7 will be arranged at a later date.

Spare clothes

We are short of larger size trousers for boys in school and socks. If you have any to donate we'd really appreciate it. Thank you.