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What's happening in school next week?

- Monday 11 March is the start of our 10 day active big walk and wheel. The information for this is attached to the newsletter.
- Miss Kane is teaching class 6 all week other than on Thursday when Mrs Ollerenshaw will teach.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Monday afternoon.
- Dance club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
Mrs Townsend is teaching class 7 on Tuesday morning. Mrs Bailey is teaching in The Orchard on Tuesday afternoon and Mrs Greenwood is teaching class 1.
- Parent- teacher meetings on Tuesday 3.15 – 4.15pm.
- Craft club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 2 on Wednesday afternoon.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around on Thursday morning between 11:00 and 12:00.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 1 on Thursday afternoon.
- Y2 drumming on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Friday 15th March is Comic Relief/red nose day. Please see the details further down.
- Mrs Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 7 on Friday morning and Class 8 on Friday afternoon.
- Class 5 have forest school on Friday. Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5.
- Art club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm

Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 95%

Class 1: 99%

Class 2: 100%

Class 3: 97%

Class 5: 99%

Class 6: 93%

Class 7: 92%

Class 8: 91%

The Orchard: 90%

Well done Class 2.

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: 9

Tuesday: 8

Wednesday: 7

Thursday: 11

Friday: 9

Total: 44

Looking ahead to the 18th March 2024

- The assembly theme will be 'Spring Time'.
- The School Nursing service will be in school on Monday morning carrying out screening checks for our Reception children.
- Miss Kane is teaching class 6 all week other than on Thursday when Mrs Ollerenshaw will teach.
- Miss Spencer is teaching class 7 all week other than Friday morning.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Monday afternoon.
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After school clubs

Mondays – Dance. 3 – 4pm. Limited spaces.

Tuesdays – Craft Club 3 – 4pm. FULL

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

Thursdays – Gymnastics. 3 – 4pm. Limited spaces.

Fridays – Art club. 3 – 4pm. FULL







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

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	BBQ chicken with rice	Beef pasta bolognese	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 bolognese	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.

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

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.

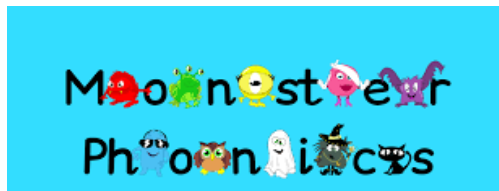
Assembly Theme: St Patrick's Day

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	igh	ff ll ss zz ck nk tch	Review ie Adding suffix
Keywords	like by when little what	which head dragon animals couldn't eyes lived boat cried	Busy hour Christmas money sea tea eat each really first please bird girl
eBooks to share	A good night Owls at night	Revisit The spell The class trip A trip in the sink	Review Castle rescue Sea turtles



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.

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE RESTRICTION
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Tekken 8 carries a PEGI 16 rating, with the assessors noting its violence, occasional profanity and in-game purchase options. The latter issue, however, is a little different to what you may expect from a modern game: unlike many high-profile releases, Tekken 8's content is all accessible without spending any extra money. The exceptions are new characters, which will become available to purchase separately in the future.

With characters flying across the screen using a mixture of authentic and fantastical lighting styles, younger children and impressionable teens may find themselves tempted to copy their favourite characters or act out their epic fights in real life. This could simply amount to harmless fun – but could also easily lead to accidents, injury and distress if young gamers start actually landing blows.

As a fighting game, Tekken 8's gameplay is heavily based on punching, kicking and throwing opponents around – while some characters' attacks occasionally involve weapons. Most of the violence is comparatively cartoonish in its execution and lacking in gore, but the fact remains that the action still revolves entirely around intense combat and inflicting damage on an opponent.

Tekken 8's story mode, "The Dark Awakens", focuses on two of the series' most important characters – Kazuya and Jin, a father and son who have been warring for years. The sight of two family members physically fighting each other may be hard to understand (and difficult to deal with) for some children – causing confusion and concern over why relatives would want to hurt one another.

Tekken 8 features an array of online modes – most notably its ‘Ranked’ section, where players battle to reach the top spot of a worldwide leaderboard. Many players will dedicate significant amounts of time to practising and – while the challenge can be fun – some of these matches can get extremely competitive. Children could become obsessed with climbing the rankings and dedicate an unhealthy amount of time to the game or grow angry if they wind up on a losing streak.

Tekken 8 doesn't offer voice chat by default, but a player's platform ID is visible (such as their PlayStation Network ID, Steam account or Xbox gamertag). Rival players can, therefore, reach out via messages if they wish. Given the game's fiercely competitive nature, these communications can potentially put children at risk of online abuse if their opponent is a particularly sore loser.

As with many popular games, we'd recommend checking it out for yourself in advance if you have any concerns. In the case of Tekken 8, there's a free demo version available (for all platforms) which lets you experience fights with a handful of the characters: a useful way of establishing first-hand whether some children might find the game's violence to be too intense.

While Tekken 8 features a sort of 'spray' impact effect when attacks land, it's not the kind of game that most observers would describe as gory (unlike, for instance, the Mortal Kombat franchise). Of course, any fighting game worthy of the name will include a significant degree of violence – but the level at which the battles in Tekken are pitched may not be an issue for some children.

With characters utilising real-world fighting styles such as jiu-jitsu, boxing and kickboxing, Tekken could represent an opportunity to channel a child's fondness for the game into a beneficial interest in real-world martial arts. Classes can help to build young people's confidence and physical fitness, as well as providing avenues for making new friends.

If a child plays Tekken online with anyone apart from their friends, then parents and carers could consider restricting communications – such as shutting off the facility to be messaged by other players (although the child's profile name will still be displayed) – to reduce the chance of contact from strangers. This can be done via the console's account settings or through the child's Steam account (if playing on PC).

Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRcon, Lloyd Coombes has worked in the games media industry for five years. He's played every Tekken title since the series began and, as a parent, also values the importance of online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.



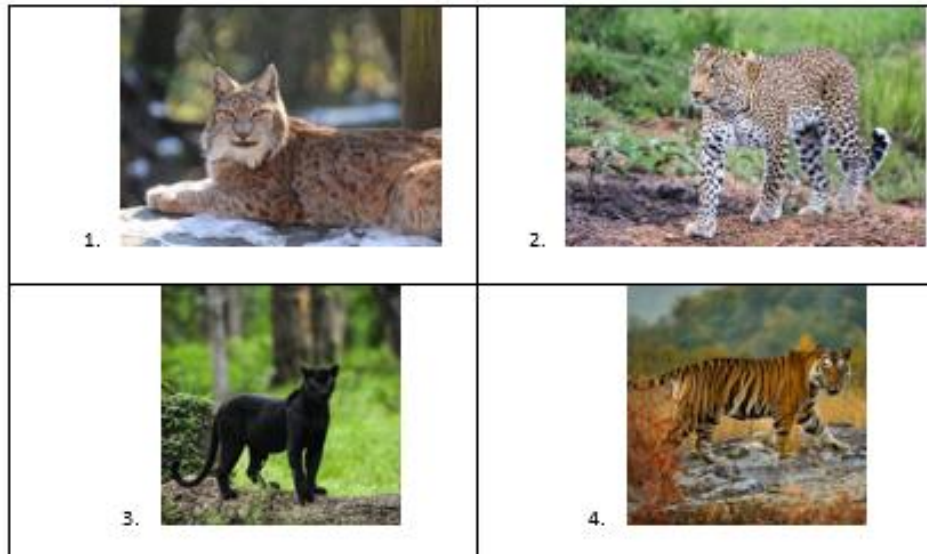
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Word of the Week



lynx



Meaning

- 1. This is a lynx. A lynx is a medium sized cat.



Challenge

Can you name the other cats?

CELEBRATING WORDS

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Nursery News

Thank you to all the Mums and Grans and other grown-ups who have joined us in Nursery this week. It was an absolute pleasure to have you and the children were so proud of their buns and badges. We are working hard at holding pens and pencils correctly so if you can encourage this at home too, that would really benefit the children.

Star of the Week

Freddie Christian has been concentrating very hard this week. He has built some super models, followed instructions and tried his very best at everything that has been asked of him.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

Rose Couldwell. Rose could be 'Star of the Day', 'Pupil of the Week' and a 'Golden Star' all the time. Rose is an 'always girl'. She is always in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing. In fact, she wouldn't dream of doing anything else. Rose is a pleasure to have in school – kind, thoughtful, hard working and respectful. What more could we ask?

Red Nose Day/Comic Relief

Red Nose Day is on Friday 15th March. Our School Council have decided they would like us to support this National event.

All children and staff will have a non-uniform day, wearing their own clothes ... back to front! If your child would like to decorate a bun or biscuit at school on Red Nose Day then this will take place in class time and we will provide the goodies. Please can we ask for a donation of £2 for your child to join in the fun. This can be brought on the day or paid on ParentPay. Thank you.



This week's praise board



- Lydia Horsfield and Nathan Glaves were fantastic at the EIS. Well done!
- Seth Grace, Bill Dang and Lylah Shae-Everitt for ALWAYS tidying up in class. Thank you.
- Ruben Moore for working really hard and at a faster pace.
- Mrs Hearnshaw would like to say thank you to the Y1 children, who helped her when she taught them on Wednesday afternoon.
- Thank you to the adults who came and supported us on our EIS trip.
- Phoebe Harvey for following the Golden Rules; always.
- Alice Marsh and Erin Kerfoot for super maths work this week. They were flying!
- Miss Palmer would like to thank Mrs Hearnshaw for looking after Class 2 on Wednesday afternoon. She even took the register! Go Mrs H!
- Sam Wood for excellent explanations in maths.
- Isabella Tabor for sitting patiently every day.
- Wrenn Bowden-Roebuck for always showing a great 'give it a go' attitude.
- Fern Bradshaw for her fabulous singing in choir.
- Well done Alfie Alliban for creating a lovely picture of the events of The Easter Story, and for giving a wonderful explanation of how Jesus' friends might have felt.
- Emily Clough has done some fantastic reading!
- Elissa Nicholson and Vincent Gibson have done some fabulous independent maths work!
- Jack Woodhouse for standing and opening the door for lots of grown-ups.
- Thank you, Evie Foster, for being a kind and caring friend. She has put a smile on lots of faces this week.
- Well done Evie Mallinson-Owens for showing great perseverance in Maths this week.
- Lucas Carr has blown us away with his writing this week! He'll be writing his own book in no time.
- Well done Eira Slack, Scarlett Milnes, Ava Halliday and Lottie Moore. You have all followed every Golden Rule this week. You helped Miss Harrison collect equipment in PE and gave Miss Whitworth a helping hand at lunch time.
- Isaac Ogden has tried hard with his writing this week.
- Thank you to Jax and Billie Brown for the yummy brownies they made for the grown-ups.
- Thank you to Ivy and Jenson Clarkson who did great listening and were really patient when they had to wait for Miss Marshall to walk to class with them.
- Thank you to Class 3 for playing out with Miss Marshall on Friday. Your monkey bar skills are outstanding!
- Ava Hallows has played fantastic games with her friends this week.
- Ezra Stead and Ruben Leadbeater baked some delicious buns and cakes for all their friends.
- Milo Wiles-Bishop is such a happy little chappy. He brightens our days in Nursery.



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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 would love to share her excitement in passing her stage 2 in swimming yesterday. Well done!

Stocksbridge Cubs Food Drive

Here is a breakdown of the events during the month of March:

W.C. 4/3 - I will drop off a box and poster at your school

11/3 - Start of food drive

15/3 - I will visit the schools and do a quick count of items

22/3 - Food drive ends and I will visit schools to pick up collected items

25/3 - Hand over of collected items to the Food Bank (Stocksbridge Scout Hut near bottom of Nanny Hill at 7.00 pm)

Coffee & Craft Morning – Make a wreath in time for Easter.

On Wednesday 27th March we are having a coffee and craft morning for parents and carers. It's from 9.00-11.00am. Please stay once you've dropped your child off – no need to go home and come back again. Come along, have a cuppa and a chat and make an Easter Wreath. It's open to all parents and carers of children aged 0-19 (or up to 25 if they have Special Educational Needs). We're hoping parents from our other local schools will come along and join us too. A person called Emma Ajerlo from the LA is running the session – there is no hidden agenda. If you want more information you can contact her on 07964 122422



Easter Activities

Here's what we have planned for Easter this year.

On Monday 25th March FOSNI are running a little fundraising stall after school from 2.30pm. We'd love your home-made bakes (as these sell really quickly). Pre-loved uniform will be on sale too.

We'd love to run an Easter Raffle. We've asked local businesses if they would donate prizes but we've not had much luck. We wondered if any of our parents worked in businesses who might be kind enough to send us a prize for our raffle, however small.

On Wednesday 27th we are holding our annual Easter Hat parades so get those creative caps and help your child make a hat. We have prizes for each class. Our judges will choose hats where which the children have made rather than adults. The hat parades are at 11.00am for our beginning of the week Nursery children and at 2.30pm for all the other children (including Nursery). Fingers crossed it doesn't rain.

At 4.30pm on Wednesday 27th, we have our Y1 Easter disco. More details to follow.

At 2.15pm on Thursday 28th we will do our annual egg rolling from the top of the hill. Please send your child in with a hard-boiled egg on that day.

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World Book Day Bakes

Thank you so much to everyone who made and donated their baked goods. All of the cake entries were wonderful and as always it was very difficult to pick winners.

So here we go.....drum roll please.....

In first place, we have Ada-Lily Fiddler. Well done Ada!

Our runners up are:

Sebastian Spriggs and Carter Bowskill.

We would also like to highly commend the following:

Ezra Stead – Peter Pan.

Charlotte Cawthorne – Hansel and Gretel.

Henry Smith – The Very Hungry Caterpillar.

Harriett Ottaway – Epic Prehistoric Adventures.

Oscar and Millie Hardcastle – Spookley.

Logan Barden – The Gruffalo.

Jack Woodhouse – Hedgehog Balloon.

Alexia-Jo Staples – Harry Potter Book.

Ellis Williams – Stickman.

Fern Bradshaw – Shawn the Sheep.

Heating Replacement

We have been successful in a bid to the DFE to have our heating system replaced. It's been in since the school was built so it's certainly ready for changing.

The main work will begin in the Easter holidays but there will be heating engineers on site over the next couple of weeks trying to get ahead. They will be working underneath school and in the boiler house so normal school running won't be affected.

After Easter, the contractors will continue working from 5.00pm to the early hours. They hope that the whole project will be completed by the end of the Spring Bank Holiday.

The boilers will be removed during Easter and from that point we will have no heating in school. If we hit a cold snap, please make sure your child comes suitably dressed with additional layers. If we have a prolonged cold spell the contractors will lend us some heaters but we have our fingers crossed the sun shines and we don't need them.