



## Weekly Newsletter 27 (18<sup>th</sup> April 2025)

# Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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### What's happening in school next week?

- **School is closed Monday 21st April – Easter Monday.**
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 7 on Tuesday morning and class 8 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Multisports club Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 1 on Thursday morning and class 2 on Thursday afternoon.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around school Thursday 9:30 – 10:30am.
- Gymnastics on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Friday morning and the Orchard on Friday afternoon.
- Arts & crafts club AND Gardening club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

### Breakfast Club

**As we have plenty of places at our Breakfast Club, bookings will be until the end of the academic year and not for ½ term as first planned.**

**In July we will organise Breakfast Club for the following academic year. Bookings made in July will be for the whole academic year. If needed to give parents security in childcare arrangement.**

Please use this email if you'd like to book a place.

[Breakfastclub@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:Breakfastclub@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk) It is £4.00 per day from 7.45 – 8.20am. On the menu there will be: fruit, fresh orange/apple juice, semi-skimmed milk, unsweetened breakfast cereal such as weetabix, Rice crispies or cornflakes, toast and jam/marmalade, crumpets/muffins, low fat yoghurts, teacakes. We won't have all of these things each day but we'll make sure the children have a good selection.

### Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 97%

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 97%

Class 3: 92%

The Orchard: 93%

Class 5: 96%

Class 7: 100%

Class 8: %

### Well done Classes 1 & 7

### Punctuality

Our doors open at 8.20am and learning starts at 8.30am. Our Phonics teaching begins at 9.00am each day. Here's the number of children late this week.

Monday: 5

Tuesday: 9

Wednesday: 6

Thursday: 3

Total: 23

**Assembly Theme: St Georges Day.**

### Looking ahead to the w.b. 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

- The assembly theme will be “Making Friends and Keeping Friends”.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Monday morning and the Orchard on Monday afternoon.
- Street dance/cheerleading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 7 on Tuesday morning and class 8 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Multisports club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Reception balance bike festival at Stocksbridge High School on Tuesday - 3:45pm. The children will walk to the high school from here shortly after 3pm. Any parents who have volunteered to help walk with us, please go to the school office.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Football Club – Wednesday 3.00-4.00pm.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around Thursday 10.00am.
- Gymnastics Club – Thursday, 3.00-4.00pm.
- Permissions slips and contributions for Eyam visit (Classes 1,2,3 & 5) due today.
- Class 5 have Forest School on Friday.
- Miss Spencer is teaching Class 5 today.
- Friday - Arts and Craft AND Gardening Clubs, 3.00-4.00pm.

### After school clubs – week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Mondays – Street Dance/Cheerleading Club 3:00-4:00pm – **AND Y2** Book Club – 3:00-4:00pm – last few spaces remaining on both.

Tuesdays - Multisports Club – 3.00-4.00pm – last few spaces

Wednesdays – Football Club (**FULL**) – 3.00-4.00pm

Thursdays – Gymnastics – 3.00-4.00pm – last few spaces

Fridays – Arts & Crafts Club 3:00-4:00pm – last few spaces **AND** Gardening club (**FULL**) – 3.00-4:00pm

**Spaces are limited and offered on a first come first served basis.** If there is a club that your child would like to attend but there are no spaces available, please contact the school office and we can add them to the reserves list.

There has been an issue with ParentPay and therefore we have had to archive the clubs. This means they will not be visible to you on your ParentPay – if you are interested in booking one of the remaining spaces, please contact the school office. Thank you.







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## School Menu Spring/Summer 2025 (All school including Nursery)

Week 2	Monday – B/H	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main course</b>	Pork sausage roll & home baked potato wedges	Beef pasta Bolognese & garlic bread	Roast chicken with gravy, Yorkshire pudding & roast potatoes	Wholemeal margherita pizza & rice salad	Fish fingers & chips
<b>Vegetarian main course</b>	Macaroni cheese	Plant-based pasta Bolognese & garlic bread vg	Quorn grill, gravy, Yorkshire pudding & roast potatoes	Cheesy bean pitta	Cheese & onion pasty roll with chips
<b>Jacket potato and filling</b>	Jacket potato with cheese or 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
<b>Sandwich option</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>
	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>
	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>
<b>Vegetables</b>	Garden peas, baked beans	Broccoli, cauliflower & carrots	Broccoli, carrots & sweetcorn	Garden peas or sliced carrots	Garden peas, baked beans
<b>Dessert</b>	Vanilla sponge vg & custard	Shortbread & orange slices vg	Chocolate Brownie	Flapjack vg	Chocolate oaty slice vg

Yoghurt and fruit are also available each day as an alternative to dessert 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

### Snacks

Please can we remind parents that if they are giving their child grapes for their snack at school, that they need to be sliced in half, length ways. Thank you.

### Vision Screening Service contact details

The Sheffield Children's NHS School Vision Screening Service visited school this week and asked us to pass on their details for any parents wishing to contact them:

**Vision Screening Service: Tel: 0114 3053060 or email: [vision.screening@NHS.net](mailto:vision.screening@NHS.net)**


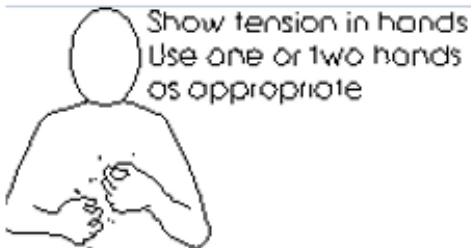
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## Supporting Maths at Home

Work on prediction skills. Add items to a jar and predict how many are in. Empty the jar and count how many items altogether. Who was the closest? Young children need lots of practise with this skill as they can feel that not getting exactly the right number is getting it wrong. Start with a few items to help your child become more accurate in their estimating skills.



## Makaton – Signs of the Week

	
today	angry
See if being signed here.	
<a href="#">Singing Hands: #MakatonMonday 2016 #12- TODAY, TOMORROW, YESTERDAY</a>	<a href="#">Makaton sign for Angry 🤔 - Isabella Signs</a>

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# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about ZEPETO

AGE RESTRICTION  
**14+**

FOR SALE

ZEPETO is a fast-growing app blending social networking with a virtual world experience – attracting around 20 million monthly users, with 15% from Europe. Players create 3D avatars to explore immersive environments, play games and interact with others; however, with minimal safety controls, anonymous chat and monetised content, ZEPETO poses a number of online safety concerns that parents and educators should be aware of.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### NO PARENTAL CONTROLS

Although ZEPETO is intended for users aged 14 and up, it lacks built-in parental controls or age verification, instead relying on safety features on the device it's played on. This lack of a parental controls feature raises concerns about whom children may be interacting with on the platform.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

As a mix between a virtual world and a social media platform, ZEPETO features a wide range of user-generated content. Some areas may reference mature themes, such as TV series aimed at adults, or include inappropriate material created by other users – all of which children may stumble across without warning.

### STRANGER DANGER

By default, users can message and interact with anyone else. This open communication creates an environment where predatory individuals can pose as peers to gain trust, potentially leading to grooming, scams, and exploitation, such as blackmail.

### CYBERBULLYING RISKS

As with many social platforms, children can be targeted for bullying, harassment or exclusion by both strangers and their peers. Unfiltered chat and avatar-based interaction can allow bullying and other forms of harassment to continue, impacting children's wellbeing and mental health.

### ADDICTIVE GAMEPLAY

Daily log-in rewards, such as coins, and in-game incentives can encourage compulsive behaviour, with some users feeling pressure to check in constantly to avoid missing out. This can lead to excessive screen time and conflict with schoolwork or offline hobbies or commitments.

### SPENDING REAL MONEY

While the game is free to play, ZEPETO includes a store offering virtual clothing and accessories for avatars. These items are bought with 'ZEMs' – a paid currency – and the appeal of exclusive items or branded collaborations can make it easy for children to overspend.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### ENABLE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Visit the child's profile settings to restrict who can send messages – options include Everyone, Followers Only, or No-one. Encourage children to avoid sharing any personal information on their profile, as this is visible even on private accounts.

### LIMIT IN-APP TIME

Use parental controls on Android (Google Family Link) or iOS (Screen Time) to restrict app usage by setting hours or daily limits. Encouraging breaks can help children develop healthier habits and reduce app dependency.

### CONTROL SPENDING

To prevent accidental purchases, set up purchase approval systems such as Apple's Ask to Buy or Google's Purchase Approvals. Alternatively, consider removing payment methods or using pre-paid cards with set budgets.

### HAVE REGULAR CONVERSATIONS

Talk openly with children about whom they interact with online and the kinds of things they see or experience. Encourage them to speak up if someone makes them uncomfortable or if they come across inappropriate content. Teach them how to recognise red-flag behaviours such as asking for secrets, giving gifts, or requesting personal information.

### Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, The Telegraph, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



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## Growing Wild @ SNIS

We have lots of good Earth news to share with you! So, we thought we had best introduce a little regular summary of all things green at SNIS.

We are very pleased to be starting our brand-new Gardening Club after the Easter break. As part of their green fingered fun, our budding gardeners will be helping us grow pollinator friendly plants to be used around the school grounds.

We are delighted to have been awarded a Nature Park grant by the RHS, to support our green activities in school. We're going to be adding more green to our grey spaces so watch out for those appearing. Our gardeners will be helping to stock them with plants and look after them. We'll also have some new equipment for children to use during their forest school activities.

We're making changes to our waste. After Easter, we'll be aiming to recycle more so we'll be asking the children to help us by sorting their waste in school. Each term, our forest school class will also be helping us to turn some of our food waste into compost, to help feed our new plants.

And last but not least, we recently switched to a carbon neutral paper supplier. Not a massive change but every little counts.

We're very excited about Growing Wild @ SNIS and we hope you and the children will be too. Any thoughts or ideas about our wild activities in school, please contact the school office at [enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk)

Thank you!



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## Readathon!

My apologies. Emily Jowitt raised a wonderful £50 during our sponsored read and her name was omitted from the list.

We are all busy now, choosing books for the classrooms. With the funds raised and the money Usborne Books donate for taking part, we have around £2500 to spend. Thank you all again.



## Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

**Max Howarth.** Max is just a lovely, all-round, great chap. He is a wonderful friend to others. He includes children in his games. He is a hard worker and has a fabulous attitude to learning. He just keeps trying, he doesn't give up and he gets there in the end.

## Nursery News

Nursery has been full of eggs, chickens and chocolate this week as we thoroughly enjoyed some Easter celebrations together. And of course, we were super excited to learn that the Easter Bunny had hopped right by (twice) and left treats for us to find.

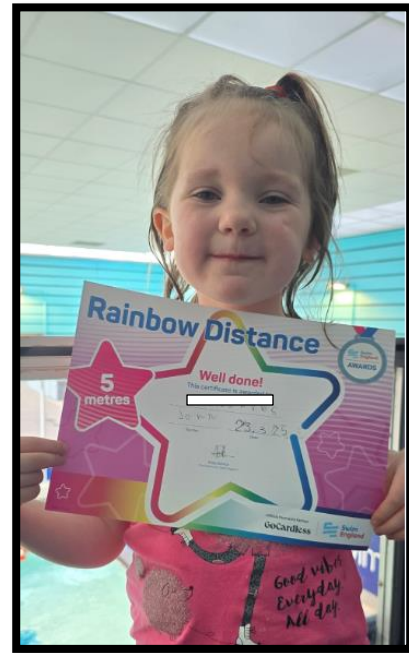
## Star of the Week

Our star this week is **Billie-Mae McGuffie**. This young lady is going from strength to strength. She loves to help out whenever she can and is trying extra hard to listen and concentrate for longer periods. She also makes the cutest, featheriest little chicks!

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.



These 3 lovely children had a fabulous time singing for Barnsley Youth Choir during the Easter holidays.



Well done to this little lady who has gained her 5 meters certificate in swimming.



This lovely boy gained his purple belt at karate during the Easter Holidays. Well done!



This fabulous young lady has been doing some great work litter picking over the holidays.

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\*\*\*\*\***CLEANER REQUIRED**\*\*\*\*\*

We currently have a vacancy in school for a cleaner. If you are interested in applying, please do so by visiting the following link:

<https://teaching-vacancies.service.gov.uk/jobs/cleaner-stocksbridge-nursery-infant-school>

There is more information attached to this newsletter regarding this position.

### **Easter raffle prizes**

**Thank you to everyone who bought tickets for the FOSNI Easter raffle. Here are our winners:**

1<sup>st</sup> prize – Joanne Turner (our school cleaner)

2<sup>nd</sup> prize – Freddie Christian

3<sup>rd</sup> prize – Connor Booth-Bell & Rosie Davies

4<sup>th</sup> prize – Coby Grocock (nannie)

5<sup>th</sup> prize – Richard (our lollypop man)

6<sup>th</sup> prize – Leo Priestley (nan)

7<sup>th</sup> prize – Charlie Christian

8<sup>th</sup> prize – Connor Booth-Bell & Rosie Davies

9<sup>th</sup> prize – Viktor Irving

10<sup>th</sup> prize – Mrs Eagle

11<sup>th</sup> prize – Treven Saif

12<sup>th</sup> prize – Harriett Ottaway

13<sup>th</sup> prize – Rosalie Roberts

14<sup>th</sup> prize – George Gibson

15<sup>th</sup> prize – Albie & Dalton Crofts (grandparent)



**There was also the 'guess how many sweets in the jar' competition. The winners of this are:**

Chloe Tu – she guessed the closest number to how many teddy sweets. There were 837 in the jar.

Oliver Wright – he guessed the closest number to how many ring sweets. There were 586 in the jar.

Well done to all our winners!



## This week's praise board



- Ellis Williams your singing in attendance assembly this week was lovely to listen to.
- Emily Jowitt. Thank you for being so kind and lending your coat to someone who was cold outside.
- Shanelle Kiffin was such a good friend when her buddy had hurt her foot and was upset.
- Autumn Frost has done some lovely writing this week.
- Riley Fleetwood. Thank you for helping a friend who was stuck in literacy this week. You were very patient and explained things clearly so your friend knew what to do.
- Well done to all the children who made Easter Hats for yesterday's parade.
- Isaac Oates has been an absolute star this week. He has helped to keep Class 8 tidy. Thanks Isaac.
- Vaughn Gibson has impressed us all with his blending this week. Keep it up Vaughn.
- Miss Miles and Miss Kane are so impressed with how organised Class 8 are in the morning. They come straight into class, pop away all their things and are quickly ready to start the day.
- Phoebe Harvey for offering to do a job for Mrs Townsend this morning and saving her legs and her time.
- Well done to all the children who have started Breakfast Club this week. They've been a delight to have with us.
- Ava Halliday has bloomed in confidence recently and it is just so lovely to see.
- Learning has clicked for Seb Spriggs. He's off. There is no stopping him. These moments are what make teaching so rewarding. A massive well done to Seb for never giving up and to his parents who have supported him so much and so well at home.
- Chloe Tu is just delicious. She's a Golden Rule keeper. Always.
- Well done to Mrs Jennings who has mastered the new recycling regime in school. On Monday she was considering just taking all her rubbish home!
- Well done to Class 3 who have been taught by Mrs Bailey and Mrs Greenwood this week. Sometimes the children find it trickier when it's not their teacher and they behave slightly differently. Not Class 3. As fabulous as ever!
- Logan Barden is just such a chilled out, polite young man. He's a pleasure to have in school.
- George Gibson is just doing brilliantly. He tries hard. He does great learning in school and at home. He's polite, kind and thoughtful.
- Destiny Ryan was so generous when she realised that some of her friends hadn't found as many Easter Bunny treats as her. She took them out of her cup to give to her classmates.
- Caleb Eady was so kind when he saw his friend was upset. He made him a Lego model to cheer him up.
- Paige Leuty did some fantastic counting as she put the correct number of chicks into each nest.
- Alfie Chappell listened so carefully to the story we read and answered all the questions about it.



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# Word of the Week



**contagious**



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## Meaning

- Spreads from one person to another.



## Challenge

Kindness is contagious.  
Colds are contagious.  
What else could be contagious?

**CELEBRATING WORDS**



Events

# INDOOR Table Top SALE 2025

**Sunday 18th May**

**10am - 1pm** (Stalls set up from 9:00am)

**Free entry and car parking**

For further information, including stall prices, or to book a table: please visit our website or contact the Centre

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