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What's happening in school next week?

- **Monday 5th May – School Closed – Early May Bank Holiday**
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 7 on Tuesday morning and class 8 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Multisports club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Sally Harskby (our Education Mental Health Practitioner) is not in school this Wednesday. She's on leave.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 1 on Thursday morning and class 2 on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Friday morning and the Orchard on Friday afternoon.
- Miss Spencer is teaching class 2 on Friday.
- Class 5 have Forest School on Friday.
- Arts & crafts AND Gardening clubs on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

Some nice news

Miss Cryer had a lovely little girl last week. Now this has not been the most straight-forward of pregnancies! We are all mightily glad Charlotte has got to the end and this little delight is now in the world.



Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 94.1%

Class 1: 96%

Class 2: 96%

Class 3: 95%

The Orchard: 86%

Class 5: 95%

Class 7: 95%

Class 8: 91%

Well done Classes 1 & 2

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: 6

Tuesday: 5

Wednesday: 2

Thursday: 7

Friday: 7

Total: 27

Looking ahead to the w.b. 12th May 2025.

- The assembly theme will be "Patience"
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Monday morning and class 2 on Monday afternoon.
- Street dance/cheerleading club on Monday 3:00pm – 4:00pm.
- **Classes 3 & 5 visit to Eyam on Tuesday 13th. Leaving school at 9am and aiming to be back at school for 3pm in time for normal collection time depending on traffic.**
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 7 on Tuesday morning and class 8 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Multisports club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- **Wednesday is come to school on your bike or scooter day.** The Sheffield Active Travel Team are coming to make a film about all the work we do. We'll only work with children for whom we have consent.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Townsend is teaching music to classes 3 & 5 on Wednesday afternoon.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 1 on Thursday morning and the Orchard on Thursday afternoon.
- Please note there will be a menu change on Thursday 15th May – this will be updated accordingly.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- **Classes 1 & 2 visit to Eyam on Friday 16th. Leaving school at 9am and aiming to be back at school for 3pm in time for usual collection time, depending on traffic.**
- Class 5 have forest school on Friday.
- Arts & crafts AND Gardening clubs on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

After school clubs – week commencing 14th 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 – 1 space remaining

Fridays – Arts & Crafts Club 3:00-4:00pm – 2 spaces remaining **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.

Tweak of the Week: Quiet voices in the hall at lunchtime.

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

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Pork sausage toad in the hole & home-baked potatoes	Mild chicken curry, mixed wholegrain & white rice	Roast chicken with gravy, stuffing and mashed potato	Wholemeal margherita pizza & pasta salad	Fish fingers & chips
Vegetarian main course	Vegetarian toad in the hole & home-baked potatoes	Macaroni cheese	Quorn grill with gravy, stuffing and roast potatoes	Cheese, onion & potato pie & home-baked potato wedges	Cheese flan, chips & ketchup
Jacket potato and filling	Jacket potato with 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, Tuna mayo, Cheese	Ham, Tuna mayo, Cheese	Ham, Tuna mayo, Cheese	Ham, Tuna mayo, Cheese	Ham, Tuna mayo, Cheese
Vegetables	Broccoli, cauliflower & sweetcorn	Garden peas, sliced carrots	Broccoli, cauliflower & carrots	Carrot & cucumber sticks or garden peas & sweetcorn	Garden peas, baked beans
Dessert	Pinwheel biscuit & orange smiles	Vanilla cookie	Strawberry jelly with watermelon slice	Marble sponge & custard/chocolate sauce	Iced sponge cake

BANK HOLIDAY

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.

Eyam visit

Good news!! Whilst we are still awaiting the last of the contributions we wanted to let you know that the Eyam trip will be going ahead. Anyone who hasn't yet contributed, the payment item is still available on ParentPay or we can accept cash in the school office.

Assembly Theme: Self-belief

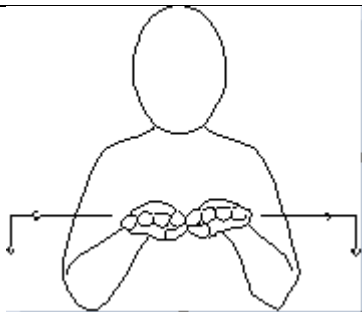
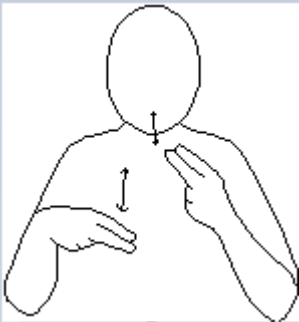

Supporting Maths at Home

Count how many steps you take whilst counting the stairs or getting somewhere. To make it more difficult practise doubling and counting in twos. Challenge the children by asking, what if we walked up the stairs 3 times, 4 times, 10 times, how many steps would that be.

Practise estimating skills by predicting how many stairs there will be before going up or down.



Makaton – Signs of the Week

	
table	dinner
See if being signed here.	
Makaton for 'table'	Makaton for 'Dinner' 

Buildings Officer Advert

This is something I never wanted to write, but write it I must. The wonderful Mr Grocock is leaving us at the end of this academic year to do something different and with slightly less hours than he works at the moment! This box isn't big enough to explain how much he'll be missed or how grateful we have been to him for how well he has done his job for the last 24 years. Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School has been very lucky to have him. Along with this newsletter, is an advert for a Buildings Officer. The advert, job description and application form can also be found [here](#).

Tweak of the Week: Quiet voices in the hall at lunchtime.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

SAFETY ON THE ROAD

Traffic-related incidents are a significant risk for young pedestrians and cyclists, so understanding road safety is crucial for children's wellbeing. While all road users share responsibility for keeping one another safe, this guide offers strategies for empowering young people to navigate the roads confidently and responsibly.

1 TAKE PRACTICE JOURNEYS

Making 'practice' journeys with children is a great way to help them stay safe, thereby modelling responsible behaviours and having road safety conversations as they prepare to travel independently. Add hazard perception activities like spotting electric vehicles – which may have a green number plate – and point out how quiet they are. Children learn by watching others; remind them that their peers might not always be the best role models.

2 BE BRIGHT, BE SEEN

Visibility is lower during darker winter days, and drivers need to take extra care to look out for pedestrians. Wearing bright and reflective clothing can help make children more visible to drivers near roads. In poor daylight conditions, encourage children to wear light, bright or fluorescent clothing. When it's dark, wear reflective clothing or materials such as a reflective armband or jacket.

3 EYES UP

Encourage children to look up and keep their eyes on the road. Teach them to constantly watch for traffic and practise double-checking the road before crossing – looking right, left and then right again.

4 LIMIT DISTRACTIONS

Where possible, devices like phones should be kept away from children while out and about near roads. If they're carrying devices, these should be put away until they've reached their destination. Children must also avoid playing with toys or being distracted by friends. If a friend wants to show them something funny on their phone, there'll be time for that once they've safely arrived.

5 SLOW DOWN

Discuss the importance of waiting instead of crossing immediately. It can be tricky to judge the speed of traffic and spot obstacles that could cause a trip or a fall. For safety, children must stop and think before they get to the kerb and should always walk – not run – when crossing the road. They should avoid crossing until they're certain they have plenty of time. Even if traffic seems a long way off, it could still be approaching very quickly.

6 STOP BEFORE THE KERB

Teach children to stop before reaching the kerb – not right at the edge of it. Halting before they get to the kerb allows them to see if anything's coming, whereas getting too close to traffic is dangerous. If there's no pavement, children should stand back from the road's edge but ensure they can still see approaching traffic.

7 CROSS SAFELY

Children should always find a safe spot to cross the road, prioritising zebra crossings or pedestrian crossings, footbridges and subways. Find a place where they can see traffic coming from both directions. Avoid crossing near junctions, bends in the road, or obstacles that block their view, instead moving to somewhere they can see and be seen. Remind them to use their eyes and ears together when checking the road, as sometimes they can hear traffic before they can see it. Looking and listening while crossing helps them quickly spot traffic, including cyclists and motorcyclists driving between other vehicles.

8 PARKED VEHICLES

Crossing between parked vehicles is very dangerous. Teach children to use extra caution if crossing in this way, and, ideally, avoid it altogether. They should use the outside edge of a vehicle as if it were the kerb, waiting and checking for traffic before moving. They should ensure vehicles aren't about to move, by looking for drivers in the vehicles and listening for engines running – but remember that electric vehicles may move off silently. They should always make sure there is a gap between any parked vehicles on the other side, so they can reach the pavement.

9 REVERSING VEHICLES

Children must never cross behind a reversing vehicle – it's extremely dangerous. Remind them to look for white reversing lights and listen out for warning sounds. Can they hear the engine sound or a radio playing inside the vehicle?

10 WAIT FOR THE BUS TO LEAVE

When getting off a bus, children must wait for it to leave before crossing so they can have a clear view of the road in both directions. This also allows them to see and be seen by other road users. Crossing near large vehicles is particularly dangerous and should be avoided.

Meet Our Expert

THINK! is a year-round national campaign that aims to encourage safe road behaviours – whether we're driving, cycling, horse riding or walking – with the aim of reducing the number of people killed and injured on the UK's roads each year. Find out more at: <https://www.think.gov.uk/education-resources/>



The National College



Today we learnt that our dear friend Pat has died. Pat had been linked to our school for many years as a parent, a child minder, a colleague and latterly as our long-standing crossing patrol.

Pat was always so supportive of school regardless of her role and attended all our fundraising events, nativities, parties etc. She was 'part of the furniture' until she 'hung up her lollipop stick' in October 2023. Pat was a big part of the Stocksbridge community too and we're sad she's no longer with us.

Our condolences and sympathy go to James, her family and her friends.



Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

George Harwood. Oh my, has this young man come a long way. He's like a different George to the one who started Nursery 2 ½ years ago. This week, at home, George wrote a beautiful piece all about Eyam. He brought it to show me and said proudly '...and do you know Mrs Townsend, it even makes sense!' Just fabulous.

Nursery News

Wall to wall sunshine has brought an awful lot of outdoor play this week and it goes without saying that water has been very popular. The babies have been bathed, bubbles blown, ramps made, and such concentration shown as children have tipped, poured, teemed, ladled and, of course, splashed!

Star of the Week

Every class should have a **Charlie Ibbotson-Daw**. This happy, cheerful young man brings a smile to everyone's face with his kindness, great games and the way he shares his fabulous knowledge of the world around him. Charlie, we are so proud of you.

Tweak of the Week: Quiet voices in the hall at lunchtime.

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.



First belt in Karate for this wonderful Y2.



This young girl is on to Stage 5 now in swimming.



A brave dance performance in front of 500 people last weekend!



This week's praise board



- Lucas Howcroft has had lots of fun playing with the water in maths.
- Thank you, Rory Harkness, for being so positive and caring.
- Oliver Jarvis made Mrs T laugh this week with his dance moves.
- Scarlett Milnes for being a helpful and kind friend.
- Jaxon Thistlewood for great answering of questions in history.
- Harry Stokes for working hard to keep his handwriting nice and neat.
- Harper Jarvis, Caleb Black and Viktor have popped in to see Mrs T this week and she has enjoyed their company.
- Adem Boudabouza is just such a lovely friend.
- Billie Brown has given some great answers in assembly this week.
- Freya Morgan for never forgetting her manners.
- Hope Barnes has done amazing reading this week.
- Remi and Ted Guy always greet the grown-ups with a cheery hello in the mornings.
- Thank you Eadie Tazzyman for clearing away the tables at lunchtime this week.
- Sonny Foster and Grayson Howcroft have worked hard on their writing this week.
- The EYFS children who we took to The Balance Bike Festival were superb - both in their effort and attitude. We were really proud of them. Thank you, Miss Harrison, for organising it for us.
- Freddie Levitt has the most perfect and beautiful manners
- Dalton Crofts plays with purpose and perseverance. He concentrates and tries so hard to reach his goals.
- Ellia Webster has done lots of fantastic maths this week.
- Rowan Jordan has been so happy and bubbly; he cheers us all up.



*****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>

Active Travel – making a short film on the 14th May.

We have been asked to support the Local Authority to make a short film about what's great about Active Travel. Your child should have brought home a letter about it today. If you are happy for your child to take part, please sign the permission slip and send it back into school.

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Word of the Week



tradition



Ask Mrs T about a Christmas tradition in her family.



Meaning

- Something that happens again and again in a family, a place, a country, a religion.



Challenge

What traditions do you have in your family?

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

By phone: 0114 288 3792

Or email: admin@stocksbridgeclc.co.uk

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