



## Weekly Newsletter 33 (6<sup>th</sup> June 2025)

# Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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

- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 8 on Monday morning and class 7 on Monday afternoon.
- Class 3 are visiting the library on Monday morning.
- Class 2 are visiting the library on Monday afternoon.
- Street dance/cheerleading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching the Orchard on Tuesday morning and class 1 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Classes 1, 2, 3 & 5 Sports Day has been postponed until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 due to rain forecast. Again, weather dependent.**
- Family picnic has also been postponed until 20<sup>th</sup> June.
- Classes 7, 8 & the Orchard Sports Day has been postponed until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 due to rain forecast. Again, weather dependent.**
- NO MULTISPORTS CLUB ON TUESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE. Please collect your child at the normal finish time of 3pm.
- Father's Day Breakfast on Wednesday 11th June 7:45 – 8:20am. Please see info further down.**
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around school on Wednesday 9:00 – 10:00am.
- Y2/Y3 Parent and Pupil tours at SJS on Wednesday 9:30 – 10:30am and again at 1:30 – 2:30pm – parents to book with SJS.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Dr Bike is visiting school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 2 on Thursday morning and class 3 on Thursday afternoon.
- Y2/Y3 Parent and Pupil tours at SJS on Thursday 9:30 – 10:30am and again at 1:30 – 2:30pm – parents to book with SJS.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Father's Day Breakfast on Friday 13th June 7:45 – 8:20am. Please see info further down.**
- Arts & Crafts and Gardening clubs on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

### Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 94.5%

Class 1: 95%

Class 2: 99%

Class 3: 82%

The Orchard: 94%

Class 5: 99%

Class 7: 94%

Class 8: 97%

**Well done Classes 2 & 5.**  
What's happened in Class 3 this week?

### 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: 9

Tuesday: 9

Wednesday: 8

Thursday: 9

Friday: 9

Total: 44

**Assembly Theme: Don't be afraid (fear of the dark).**

## Looking ahead to the w.b. 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025.

- The assembly theme will be “Refugees”.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 8 on Monday morning and class 7 on Monday afternoon.
- Y2/Y3 Parent and Pupil tours at SJS on Monday 9:30 – 10:30am and again at 1:30 – 2:30pm – parents to book with SJS.
- Class 5 are visiting the library on Monday at 10:30 – 11:30am.
- Street dance/cheerleading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- **Nursery Sports Day on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9:00 – 10:00am.**
- Mrs Bailey is teaching the Orchard on Tuesday morning and class 1 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Y2/Y3 Parent and Pupil tours at SJS on Tuesday 9:30 – 10:30am and again at 1:30 – 2:30pm – parents to book with SJS.
- Multisports club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Class 1 are visiting the library on Wednesday afternoon.
- Football Club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- **Nursery Sports Day on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 9:00 – 10:00am.**
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 2 on Thursday morning and class 3 on Thursday afternoon.
- Y2/Y3 Parent and Pupil tours at SJS on Thursday 9:30 – 10:30am and again at 1:30 – 2:30pm – parents to book with SJS.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around school on Thursday 11:00am – 12:00pm.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Class 3 have forest school on Friday.
- Miss Spencer is teaching class 5 on Friday.
- **Classes 1, 2, 3 & 5 Sports Day, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Weather dependent.**
- Family picnic. 11:30am – 1:00pm. Bring your lunch, blankets & chairs and join us on the school field.
- **Classes 7, 8 & the Orchard Sports Day, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Weather dependent.**
- Arts & crafts club AND Gardening club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

## After school clubs – week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

Mondays – Street Dance/Cheerleading Club – 3:00-4:00pm – **AND** Y1 & Y2 Book Club – 3:00-4:00pm

Tuesdays - Multisports Club – 3.00-4.00pm

Wednesdays – Football Club – 3:00-4:00pm - **FULL**

Thursdays – Gymnastics Club – 3.00-4.00pm

Fridays – Arts & Crafts Club 3:00-4:00pm – **AND** Gardening Club – 3.00-4:00pm - **FULL**

**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:** Show respect to our lovely dinner ladies by doing as you have been asked the first time.

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

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main course</b>	Sweet & sour chicken meatballs & sunny rice	Beef lasagne & garlic bread	Roast chicken with gravy, stuffing and roast potatoes	Margherita pizza & tomato pasta salad	Fish fingers & chips
<b>Vegetarian main course</b>	Cheesy tomato pasta bake	Vegetable chilli rice	Quorn grill, gravy, stuffing and roast potatoes	Cheese flan & home-baked potato wedges	Crispy vegetable fingers & 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>	Chocolate mousse & fruit slices	Chocolate cookie & orange wedges	Vanilla cupcake	Chocolate crunch 'concrete' & chocolate sauce	Homemade jam sponge & custard

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.

**Assembly Theme:** Don't be afraid (fear of the dark).

## Supporting Maths at Home

Create your own treasure map and work out how many steps you need to take and in which direction to reach your treasure.



### Makaton – Signs of the Week



on



go

See if being signed here.

[Makaton for 'on' - YouTube](#)

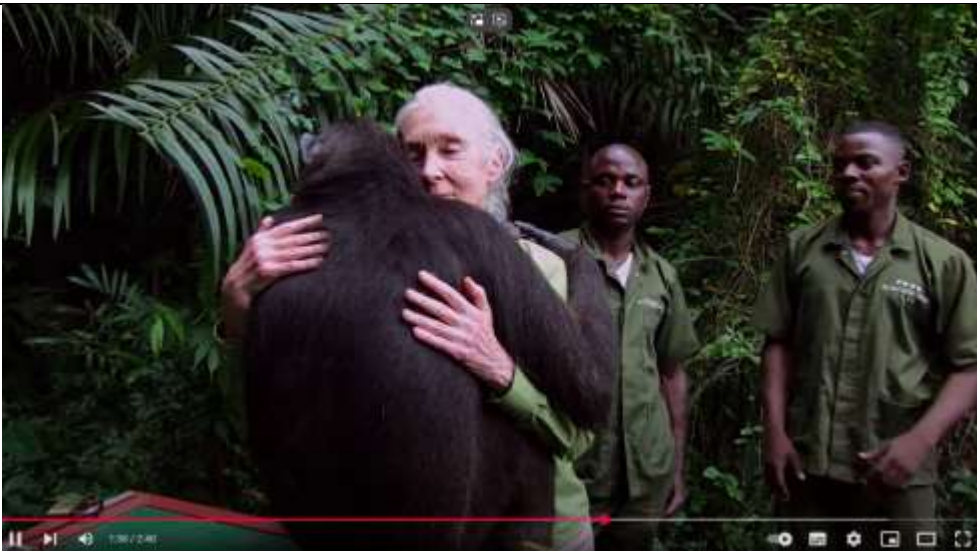
[Makaton Key Word Sign #10 - Go - YouTube](#)

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# Word of the Week



sanctuary



## Meaning

- A place that looks after animals/wildlife and protects them.



## Challenge

Watch this [clip](#) and tell Mrs T what you think?  
(It's Jane Goodall!)

***CELEBRATING WORDS***



# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about EMOJIS

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### GENERATIONAL MISCOMMUNICATION

An emoji like 🍷 (thumbs up emoji) might seem friendly to adults, but teens often interpret it as sarcastic or passive-aggressive. These differing interpretations can cause confusion or unintended tension in cross-generational conversations.

### SHIELDING BULLYING OR PEER PRESSURE

When embedded in emojis, mean-spirited jokes or exclusionary language can fly under the radar. Terms like 'mud' or 'delulu' may seem harmless, but they can be used to undermine peers in subtle ways.

### RAPIDLY SHIFTING MEANINGS

Emoji meanings can change overnight. A person standing emoji (🦶) once signified awkwardness, but might now be repurposed for something entirely different. This ever-changing lexicon can leave adults in the dark and young people vulnerable to misunderstanding or misuse.

### MASKING DISTRESS OR HARM

Some emojis are used to discreetly signal troubling behaviours. For instance, 🍃 (falling leaves emoji) or 💊 (pill emoji) might suggest drug use, while 🌸 (wilted flower emoji) could hint at emotional struggles. Such usage can obscure serious issues, making them harder for trusted adults to detect.

### NORMALISING RISKY BEHAVIOURS

Emojis can make harmful actions seem light-hearted or fashionable. Strings like 🍷🍷🍷 (fire + 'wussy' face + pill emoji) may appear humorous but can reference partying, intoxication or dangerous challenges, which might otherwise raise red flags.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### LEARN THE LINGO

Stay updated with emoji trends and definitions using resources like [emojipedia.org](https://emojipedia.org) or Urban Dictionary. Knowing current meanings builds confidence when engaging with young people and helps spot potential concerns early.

### ASK, DON'T ASSUME

Approach unfamiliar emojis with curiosity rather than suspicion. A light-hearted "What does 🍷 (juice box emoji) mean these days?" can open conversation and show that you respect their knowledge.

### CREATE SAFE SPACES FOR DISCUSSION

Encourage casual chats about emojis, online slang, memes, or social media trends. Showing interest without judgement reassures young people that they can talk about their digital world openly and safely.

### PRIORITISE TRUST OVER SURVEILLANCE

While parental controls and monitoring tools can be useful, emotional safety matters most. Be someone children and young people feel they can come to – not just someone who's watching them.

## EMOJI CHEAT SHEET - The following slang terms and emojis are some common examples – please be aware this isn't an exhaustive list.

### COMMON EMOJIS:

🤡 (Clown face) Foolishness or clowning around	🥰 (Smiling face with hearts) Over-affectionate or 'simping'
👁️👁️👁️ (Eyes) Watching drama unfold	👑 (Crown) Greatest of all time (G.O.A.T.)
🍷 (Juice box) Intense attraction or excitement	🤨 (Nods) Confidence, sassiness, or indifference
🍷 (Juice box) Shame-faced, unbothered	🚩 (Triangular flag) 'Red flag': a warning sign about someone's behaviour
👑 (Crown) 'Slaying', as in doing great	

### POTENTIALLY CONCERNING EMOJIS

🍷 (For of corn) Slang for pornography (avoids censorship algorithms)	🌸 (Wilted flower) Often used to convey emotional struggle or sadness
🌨️ (Snowflake, snowman, snow cloud) Can symbolise cocaine	👤 (Snake) Can represent betrayal or being 'two-faced'
🍷 (Key, lying face) Related to cocaine use	🔪 (Water pistol) Sometimes used to reference violence or self-harm
🍷 (Falling leaves, herb, maple leaf) Can symbolise cocaine	⚠️ (Warning) Used to emphasise drama, threats or emotional turmoil
💊 (Pill) May reference drug use or prescription misuse	🍷 (Steaming bowl) Refers to nudity ('noodle' is an abbreviation of noodles)

### Meet Our Expert

Keith Wren is a globally renowned emoji expert and the Editor in Chief of [emojipedia.org](https://emojipedia.org), the world's number one emoji resource. He has an MSc in Business Psychology from University College London and an MBA from Quantic School of Business and Technology.



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## Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week

**Chloe Tu.** Chloe is a popular member of our school. She has lots of friends and is really well liked. She plays, fun and exciting games. Chloe tried very hard with learning. This week she shared a worry with me and I was able to sort it out for her.



## Nursery News

The Hungry Caterpillar has munched his way through Nursery this week. We have thoroughly enjoyed retelling the story, printing, hole punching and counting as well as watching our very own caterpillars getting bigger and fatter by the day.

## Star of the Week

Dalton Crofts has been 'on fire' this week. He has listened ever so carefully, tried extra hard, asked for help when he needed it and showed some superb resilience. Keep it up Dalton!



## Registering for Nursery

We still have availability in our Nursery.

If you would like to register for a place, we have availability for September 2025, January 2026 and Easter 2026 and you can register your interest with our school office by emailing [enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk), telephoning 0114 2883109 or just pop in and our office staff will be happy to help.

Our Educational Psychology Service is currently doing some work to explore the best support for children that experience difficulties attending school.

This questionnaire will help us to gain the voices of children and young people who are experiencing difficulties attending school, their parents/carers and school staff. Your responses will help us to better understand how to develop systems around supporting children/young people who are experiencing difficulties attending school and highlight gaps in support. It should take between 10-20 minutes for you to complete depending on how much you would like to say.

Please use the following link to complete a short survey.

[Parent/Carer Questionnaire](#)



## This week's praise board



- Parker Burt is always so positive and caring. He is a great role model to everyone.
- Lucas Howcroft has made Class 1 laugh a lot this week.
- Poppy Dodd made Mrs T cry with laughter one day this week. Poppy was disgruntled with Mrs T's choice of hymn for attendance assembly - This Little Light of Mine. Mrs T asked Pops what she would choose - Perfect by Ed Sheeran. It's not exactly a hymn was Mrs T's reply.
- Viktor Irving and Siena Shepherd for being brilliant Kagan partners this week and coaching each other when learning about time.
- Jaxon Thistlewood and Caleb Black for writing great wondering sentences in shared reading.
- Phoebe Couldwell has blown Miss Harrison away with her reading. Keep going Phoebe!
- Sewi Herbert has done some great reading this week.
- Thank you to Freya Morgan for helping Miss Spencer clean away the colouring pencils.
- Thank you George Barrott-Young for bringing a smile to all of our face. "Hello Ladies!" 😊
- Mrs Townsend had a lovely conversation with Lucian on Monday after her assembly on The Creation. Lucian wanted to discuss the alternative Big Bang theory. So, we did!
- Thank you Issac Cheetham for being very helpful in class 5 this week.
- Reggie Platts did amazing art work this week
- Thank you, Harry Radford, for sweeping up all the sand in Class 8.
- Class 8 were amazing on their trip to the library. Thank you to all the parent volunteers that came with us.
- Hugo Cain-Allan has been putting his hand up lots to answer questions.
- Freya Sawicki's handwriting is beautiful. She has written lots of sentences this week. Well done Freya!
- Pippa Housley has been doing lots of reading at home. Keep it up, Pippa!
- A big thank you to Phoebe Harvey, Millie Pitt, Eira Slack, Bella Murphy and Ava Halliday for the wonderful help they gave to Mrs T on the big Lost Property Sort! They did a terrific job.
- Treven Saif's number work has been excellent this week.
- Arlo Dransfield has shown us his lovely manners
- Amber Pickwell gave us the full run down on her whole holiday and where she stayed
- Phoebe Merryman-Fletcher has been showing concentration and perseverance with tasks this week - seeing the job through to the end.



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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 young man is turning into a budding gardener.

These siblings have been strawberry picking!



We've all enjoyed looking at the pictures of birds hatching, growing and leaving the nest. This lovely girl explained it so well in assembly this morning.



This fabulous little boy asked if he could go on the bus in the holidays. It was his first time. The world is becoming his oyster and we're all thrilled.

**Assembly Theme:** Don't be afraid (fear of the dark).

## Father's Day Breakfast Reminder

A reminder that we are celebrating Father's Day next week by inviting dads, grandads, uncles, brothers, mums and anyone else to come along and join their child for breakfast in the school hall on Wednesday 11th June or Friday 13th June from 7:45am – 8:20am.

If you are planning to attend please let us know by 12 noon on Monday 9th June 2025 by completing our online form using the link below:

<https://forms.gle/Fw3MY5ybTLmH8Gqi6>

The cost is £3 per breakfast. You will need to order a breakfast for however many adults are coming and also one for your child too. Payment can be made either by ParentPay or in cash to the school office.

Thank you

## Privacy Policy

Mrs Townsend has been busy updating our privacy policy this week. The updated version is attached to the newsletter if you could please take a look. Parents will also be able to view the updated version on our website.

## Unwanted items

We are hoping to be able to gather some things for our little yard to support our play. We wondered, if over the holidays, if you are having a clear out and come across any of the following items that you would consider donating them to school? Dinosaurs, small cars, outdoor games, guttering, pipes and tubes, plastic animals, scooters.

Many thanks, EYFS team

## Dr Bike Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Any children who cycle to school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 will get a free safety check for their bike undertaken by our Active Travel Officer Paula Edwards (or Dr Bike!). Children should have brought a letter home after school on Friday, which include a permission slip that needs to be returned to school by Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at the latest. If you haven't received a letter spare copies can be requested from the school office. Thank you.

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## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

### **New Uniform**

FOSNI now have all remaining stock of new school uniform that was still held in school from when we sold new uniform directly to parents. There are only limited numbers in certain sizes left. Please see the attached table for details of availability and cost. These are being offered at a minimum of 40% discount. Please contact FOSNI directly to purchase [fosni@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:fosni@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk)

### **Preloved**

FOSNI has a large stock of pre-loved logo-ed school uniform. £1 per item. All items are lovingly washed and ironed before sale by our wonderful FOSNI parents. Please see the attached table for details of availability and contact FOSNI directly to purchase [fosni@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:fosni@stocksbridge-nur.sheffield.sch.uk)

### **Iron on badges**

FOSNI also sell iron on school logo badges. These are £2.50 each and can be purchased from the school office.