

STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Severe Nut Allergy. We have children in school with severe nut allergies. Please be aware when sending in packed lunches and snacks, to check the packaging to ensure there are no nuts in the ingredients

Safeguarding

Safeguarding children is the collective responsibility of the whole school community. This month we would like to remind you of who our safeguarding leads are and of what to do if you have a concern.

Ruth Burbank - Headteacher & Designated Safeguarding Lead Also, the school's PREVENT Lead		Catherine Hughes - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (Key Stage 1 Lead)
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If you have a concern about a child and/or family, you can contact the safeguarding leads at school by phoning or emailing the main office and asking to speak to a lead or by contacting through your child's class teacher to ask for a call from a lead. This will be treated with the strictest of confidence and will be dealt with following the school's safeguarding policy and procedures. A copy of our safeguarding policy can be found here:

http://www.stockham.oxon.sch.uk/web/policies/222817

Alternatively, you can contact social services directly through the following ways:

What to do if you think a child is at risk of abuse or neglect

Immediate danger

If you think a child is in immediate danger, call the police on 999.

Immediate concern

The Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) is the front door to Children's Social Care for all child protection and immediate safeguarding concerns. If there is an immediate safeguarding concern where a child is deemed at risk or has potentially suffered significant harm, the MASH team should be contacted immediately.

For example:

- Allegations/concerns that the child has been sexually/physically abused.
- Concerns that the child is suffering from severe neglect or other severe health risks.
- Concern that a child is living in or will be returned to a situation that may place him/her at immediate risk.
- The child is frightened to return home.
- The child has been abandoned or parent is absent.

If you have a concern about a child, please call MASH on **0345 050 7666** during office hours (8.30am – 5pm, Monday to Thursday, 8.30am – 4pm, Friday)

Outside office hours call the Emergency Duty Team on 0800 833 408

If you have a concern, please report it straight away. You can contact social care anonymously if you prefer. As a community we need to work together to keep children safe.

All of this information can be found on the Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children's Board (OSCB) website:

https://www.oscb.org.uk/concerned-about-a-child/

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 13th December – Whole school pantomime trip to see Beauty and the Beast in Swindon. Wednesday 14th December – Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper/accessory day.

Thursday 15th December – Key Stage 2 Christmas concert for parents 2pm-3pm and an evening performance at 5-6pm. (The Key stage 2 children will be performing Christmas songs and poems on the stage in the school hall). **We do ask that children below school age do not attend the shows.** Please speak to Mrs Burbank if this means you are unable to see the show, as we would like all families to be able to attend.

Tuesday 20th December - 12pm, term 2 ends.

Wednesday 4th January – INSET day – no children in school today.

Thursday 5th January – Children return to school for Term 3.

Extra Bank holiday - There will be an extra bank holiday on Monday 8th May 2023 due to the King's coronation.

Many thanks, Mrs Ruth Burbank

Christmas Hampers

Thank you everyone for your generous donations towards our hampers. We have 9 beautiful hampers ready to be won! Please return any ticket stubs by Monday at the latest before the draw on Wednesday December 14th. Thank you for your continued support.



Class News

- **Year F** In Foundation this week we have been learning about the Nativity story. We were able to watch the KS1 dress rehearsal, listened to the story and role-played different parts of the story. We LOVED our family Christmas sing-along and we were so pleased that so many family members could join us.
- Year 1 This week in Year 1, we enjoyed performing Boogie Woogie Nativity to our families. We have been polishing our writing in English and writing up our final piece. We have read the Christmas Story and thought about why different gifts are special to us.
- **Year 2** Year 2 have been exploring other lifecycles in science. In English we have edited our reports ready to publish our book and in maths we have been using our number bonds to help us add.
- **Year 3** In Year 3 we have been busy practising our singing for the Key Stage 2 concert. We hope you will love it! We have continued to work on our Christmas shape poems and will be writing our own next week in our English lessons. In art we have been learning about abstract art and have used techniques based on the artist, Camille Pissarro.
- **Year 4** The Christmas concert is well and truly in full swing inside the Year 4 classroom. The children and adults are getting excited for the festive season by creating props for the performance. The class have worked really hard during maths lessons where we are focusing on multiplication and division, specifically multiples of 3,6 and 9.
- Year 5 Year 5 have been working hard this week practising for our Christmas concert! We are really looking forward to sharing with you all! We have also been looking at factors, multiples, prime numbers and squared numbers in maths and in English we have produced some double page spreads to showcase our Ancient Greek Myths.
- Year 6 Year 6 have been really busy this week preparing for the Key Stage 2 Christmas concert. We have been perfecting our rendition of The Grinch and can't wait to share it with you all. In maths we have been revising how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions and we have learnt how to find the fraction of an amount. As historians we have been learning about how important Maize was to the Ancient Maya and that they believed the first people were even made from maize!

Soaring High

This week the following children have earned "Soaring High":

- **Year F** ALL of Foundation class for their hard work practicing our Christmas songs all term, their enthusiasm and exemplary behaviour during our Christmas Sing-along. We are very proud of all of you!
- Year 1 Tia for using our learning powers to get up on stage during our Christmas performance, despite feeling very nervous you got up to sing your song and made all the adults feel very proud.

 Sol for stepping in at the last minute to say another child's lines in the performance, you were so brave and confident and on behalf of the adults, thank you!
- Year 2 Kolby for his amazing determination in English and maths to produce some of his neatest work and well written sentences with capital letters and full stops. Kayden for his great listening and joining in in discussions and for being very determined with his writing. You have used your best handwriting yet.
- **Year 3** Leah for working really hard in her maths lessons and for persisting in her learning. Luke for challenging himself and working more independently on his maths tasks.
- Year 4 Lexi F for showing clear improvement in her presentation of written work and showing focus and respect during lessons.

 Logan for throwing himself into the Christmas concert and having the confidence to volunteer for a reading part.

- **Year 5** Harry B used his teamwork and confidence learning powers in English. He did some excellent editing and really improved the structure of his sentences! Well done Harry!
 - Annabelle has really used her confidence when practising to sing a solo in our concert. Well done, Annabelle!
- **Year 6** Kaci for putting such an amazing amount of effort into our Christmas concert. You are always singing so beautifully and have learnt the words for your part and songs so well. Well done, Kaci.
 - Leon for starting to contribute more to lessons and sharing your ideas and answers more. Also, for a great impersonation of The Grinch for our Christmas concert.

Well done everyone!

Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Mrs Burbank for having the tidiest room. Well done!

Second-hand uniform

Good quality, second-hand uniform is available from Friends of Stockham with all money raised coming directly to school. For information on availability of items, please see this Facebook group or email friendsofstockham@gmail.com.

https://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Stockham-School-Second-hand-uniform-sale-103641978169121

School Uniform

If you need new uniform please order online or by telephone. The website is pmgschoolwear.co.uk and the order line is 0800 4046644.

Book bags and PE bags are also available to be purchased from pmgschoolwear.