



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 have been very busy taking part in their cycling proficiency training. Thank you to Jacqui Robins and Val Clinker for running the course this week to help the Year 6 children to be safer when cycling on the roads.

Please note that on Monday 3rd May (Bank holiday Monday) the school will be closed to all.

Dates for your diary

Friday 14th May – Year 6 day trip to PGL Liddington

Monday 24th May – Class photos (outside)

Friday 28th May – End of term 5 (2.50, 3pm or 3.10pm)

Monday 7th June – Term 6 begins

14th June – Mrs Wylde returns from maternity leave to support teaching across the school.

Friday 25th June and Monday 28th June – School inset days – school closed to children

Dates further ahead

Friday 9th July – Friends of Stockham disco and BBQ

Tuesday 13th July – Sports day (Foundation and KS1 in the morning, KS2 in the afternoon). Let's hope we can have parents watching by then!

Thurs 15th July – Year 6 leavers BBQ

Thurs 22nd July – School year ends for all children (12pm or 12.10pm)

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank.

Class News

Year F In Foundation this week we have been learning how to look after our new pet dinosaurs, including finding out about what they eat and the differences between carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. We talked about how humans need a varied diet and filled in a lovely rainbow of all the colours of fruit and vegetables we like to eat. We've also been learning about money in maths, and enjoyed playing shopkeepers!

- Year 1** In English we have been learning about singular and plural words, we have also been writing our own rhyming poem about pirates.
In maths we have been practising our addition by counting to ten first. We have also really enjoyed making pirate hand prints too this week and we are very proud of how well they have turned out.
- Year 2** In Year 2 we are continuing to read our extended story The Wizard of Oz. We have enjoyed discussing the main events and the main characters. We have been looking for ways in which the characters change over time as certain events take place. In maths, we have been studying the properties of 3D shapes and we have become experts at counting their faces, edges and vertices.
- Year 3** This week in English we have been planning and writing our own diary entries inspired by Howard Carter's diary from 1922. In maths we have been adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator, as well as investigating equivalent fractions. In French we have been learning how to say some common classroom instructions.
- Year 4** Year 4 have been very busy this week learning more about the play we are investigating - Bombs and Blackberries. We have enjoyed acting out the next scene and thinking a bit more about the characters we have met and how they might have felt about being evacuated. We have also learnt more about The Blitz and the different types of shelters people would have used. We have also created stunning pieces of silhouette artwork based on The Blitz. In maths we have continued to learn about fractions and have begun to learn about how they can be added together.
- Year 5** Year 5 have been working hard this week. We have been looking at decimals in maths and recapping on adding and subtracting within 1 using both formal and informal methods. We have also been exploring show not tell strategies and have used these to describe Grendel in our writing.
- Year 6** This week has been really exciting in Year 6 as we have been talking about our upcoming PGL Trip and the activities that we would like to do. We have been learning about democracies and how we can use this in our classroom to decide upon different things. We have also been solving some really tricky fractions problems using everything we have learnt so far! The majority of the Year 6's have also been doing cycling proficiency this week and I've had some really positive feedback about everyone taking part. Well done Year 6!

Soaring High

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

- Year F** William for showing a great attitude to his learning and showing confidence in taking on all the challenges we have set him this week.
Benjamin for his musicality and creativity this week. It has been lovely to see you using your imagination and creative skills, as well as your independence and confidence to make your own musical instruments and start a Foundation band!
- Year 1** Teddy for using such fantastic perseverance when making his pirate, you worked so hard and even when it got tricky you did not give up, it was really great to see you working so incredibly hard.
Amelia for demonstrating such fantastic listening during our lessons, all of the adults are so proud of how hard you have been working this term, well done.
- Year 2** Lexi R for showing increased focus and effort in all lessons. You have used your listening and perseverance learning powers brilliantly and I am incredibly impressed with the independent work you have produced. Keep it up Lexi, well done!
Mason for always setting such a good example for your classmates. You are always ready to learn, you give your best effort, and you take pride in your work. I am very proud of you, well done Mason!

Year 3 Liam and Elijah for great listening and independent work in English. You both used your plans to develop a rich and varied vocabulary and went on to produce superb diary entries. Well done!

Year 4 Skyla for a beautiful piece of Blitz artwork. You blended the background colours really well and took real care over your silhouette, creating a stunning final piece. Well done, Skyla!

Jayden for being really enthusiastic in our English lessons at the moment. You have been fantastic at acting out the scenes we have covered so far and been confident enough to act your role out in front of the whole class more than once, to great effect! Well done, Jayden, keep it up!

Year 5 Tiana for always working independently in class and showing such a positive attitude in all subjects.

Amber for showing excellent perseverance in all lessons! Well done!

Year 6 Omar for constantly being a role model in the class, you are so sensible and mature. You always work hard and put lots of effort into each lesson. Thank you for being such a fantastic addition to Year 6.

Luke for being really resilient in his cycling. I am also really impressed with the improvement in your maths work, you put so much effort into doing your best and it shows! You always have a smile on your face and are a pleasure to teach.

Well done everyone!

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](http://pmgschoolwear.co.uk).