



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Would you like to make a difference in school? We are looking to appoint 3 new **lunch time supervisors** to start as soon as possible. The job role includes supporting the children with eating lunch, playing games outside and promoting a positive ethos around the school. The job is 7.5 hours per week over the lunch time period. If you feel that you have the right qualities for this exciting role, please follow the link for more information <https://stockham.eschools.co.uk/web/jobs/373434>



Term 6 school dinners–

We are extending our school meal options. In addition to the current hot school meal menu, children may also choose to have a 'picnic bag' made up from the kitchen. The options in the sandwiches will be a choice of: cheese, ham or tuna. Children can order these during morning registration.

Covid guidelines and some changes to our school risk assessment

After half term two year groups will be forming a larger 'bubble' for outside play. Years 1 and 2 will form a new bubble, Years 3 and 4 will be a bubble and years 5 and 6 will be playing in the same space outside. We are eagerly waiting for the 21st June guidance, which may give schools more information about the use of face coverings for parents in the playground, assemblies and lunchtimes being together again (if safe to do so).

After school clubs term 6:

A list of after school clubs that will be starting in term 6 will be sent home before the end of term via parent mail.

Year 4 projects

Well done to Year 5 for working so hard on your Anglo-Saxon projects. It was lovely to see them all displayed in the hall yesterday!





School trips

Foundation – Friday 18th June – Trip to Whittenham Clumps Earth Trust

Year 1 – Friday 28th May – Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

Year 2 - Monday 14th June - Trip to Marwell Zoo

Year 3 – Wednesday 7th July – Trip to Sutton Courtney Environment centre.

Year 5 – Thursday 17th June – Go Ape in Bracknell

Year 6 – Thursday 1st-2nd July – Overnight sleepover at school with Go karting and Archery (information to be confirmed and shared with parents)

Year 4 trip to be confirmed soon!

Dates for your diary

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.

21st June – Whole school picnic on field (brunch bags only on this day from the kitchen) – Government rules depending!

Whole school author virtual visit – Nick Sharratt – (Nick Sharratt is a British illustrator and author of children's books, whose work is split between illustrating for writers, most notably Jacqueline Wilson from 1991 to 2021, and Jeremy Strong, but also Giles Andreae, Julia Donaldson and Michael Rosen).

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).

Thurs 15th July – Year 6 leavers BBQ

Fri 16th July – End of year reports home to parents and carers

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

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank.

Class News

- Year F** We have continued looking at minibeasts in Foundation, bug hunting, watching our tadpoles carefully as they start to develop legs, and thinking about how bees help us. We very much enjoyed writing instructions and making our honey sandwiches!
- Year 1** This week in Year 1 we have been writing our own stories about Cat's Bad Dream, we have also been looking at plurals ending in s and es and also suffix 'ing'. In maths we have been looking at numbers up to 50, we have been working on our counting and number recognition and also building numbers so that we know how many tens and ones they are made up of.
- Year 2** In Year 2 this week we have enjoyed finding out more about the UK and the capital cities of each of its four countries. We have become experts in using the atlas and UK map to locate each city and some of us have even looked for other towns and cities we know of. In English, we are working hard on our newspaper reports and have particularly enjoyed all our role-play work. We have loved playing characters from The Wizard of Oz and the role of newspaper reporter too.
- Year 3** This week in English we have been looking at writing compound sentences and working on improving our vocabulary. In PE we have been practising our bowling and fielding skills in cricket. We have also enjoyed sharing our homework with each other and have earned another class Marble Jar treat. Year 3 have all worked incredibly hard this term and deserve a well-earned break!
- Year 4** Year 4 have had a great final week of term. We have enjoyed finding out the ending for our play Bombs and Blackberries and putting our acting skills to good use! We can now all confidently name the features of a play script and use these in our own scenes. In maths we have been exploring decimal numbers and learning about how tenths and hundredths are linked and how to write these as decimals. We have also been artists and have really enjoyed working on our bas-relief Spitfire sculptures. We really had to use our learning powers for this project but it was really worth it!
- Year 5** Year 5 have had a great week. They have been working on decimals in maths and in English they have finished writing and editing their stories. I have been really proud of the effort they have all put into their projects. They have been amazing.
- Year 6** Year 6 have had a wonderful start to the last week of term. We have been investigating some problem solving tasks, including building the tallest tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows and making a "selfie stick" for the ExoMars Rover. We have also started our play rehearsals this week and it has been fantastic seeing the whole class get so involved and being so enthusiastic about the performance. I'm so proud of every single one of them!

Soaring High

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

- Year F** Erin for her perseverance and progress in her phonics and writing. You are working really hard and it shows in your reading and writing. Well done!
Freya for her amazing painted rock bugs! You thought really carefully about the colours and the details of the bugs you were painting and did an excellent job. Well done!
- Year 1** Amelie for a fantastic knowledge of maps and co-ordinates, you really showed great confidence in our lesson and produced a really beautiful treasure map.
Rupert for fabulous listening in our English lessons, well done, you were able to understand suffix 'ing' really well and explain it to the rest of the class!
- Year 2** Elijah G and Jasmine for always pushing yourselves and working hard to try the Deep Sea Dive challenges. You show determination, perseverance, and such high levels of effort in all our lessons. Well done!

Year 3 Henry and Max B for great confidence and perseverance in reading, particularly in comprehension. You both listen and consider your answers carefully, and are able to contribute confidently and effectively in class. Well done!

Year 4 Leon for really pushing himself during our unit on play scripts. He has really embraced acting out the different scenes and experimenting with a range of accents! You have really shone, Leon. Well done!

Shanley for working really hard in maths lessons. You have worked really hard and tried to apply what you have learnt. Well done, keep it up!

Year 5 Kiran for his extremely well thought out and articulate answers during our maths lessons. Well done!

Alfie J for excellent team work. Well done Alfie.

Year 6 Stuart for settling into life at Stockham so quickly. It has been wonderful having you in Year 6 and I am looking forward to seeing everything you have to offer after half term!

Alex for always working hard and being engaged in every lesson. You always try your best and it is wonderful to see your confidence growing throughout Year 6. It is a pleasure to have you in my class!

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).