



# STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have nearly made it to the end of a very busy, hardworking term. I am so proud of all the children in Key Stage 2 who put on a magnificent show to parents this week. Thank you for your kind donations towards our new play equipment. The old equipment is being removed over the Christmas holidays and we are hoping to raise enough money for the new play equipment to be installed at the end of March 2022!

## **ACE card children**

Congratulations to the following children who received an ACE (A concerted effort) card from their teacher this term. These cards are given to children three times a year for consistently working and behaving at an exceptional level all the time, using our school values and learning powers. They all took part in a Christmas activity with Mrs Burbank on Tuesday morning and enjoyed lots of bouncing and a treat hot chocolate and marshmallows!



Foundation: Olivia, Louise and Sol  
Year 1: Morgan, Freya and Esmée  
Year 2: Rupert, Felicity and Amelia  
Year 3: William, Kacie-Belle and Jasper  
Year 4: Bella, Kalinda and Liam  
Year 5: Milo, Mia and Sophie  
Year 6: Violet, Harry and Brandon

### **Dates for your diary**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – School finishes at 12.00pm to all children

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022** – Children return to school

Have a very Merry Christmas. We look forward to seeing you all in 2022!

Many thanks,  
Mrs Ruth Burbank

### **Swimming for Years 3 and 4**

Due to changes of the timetable at the Wantage swimming pool, Years 3 and 4 swimming sessions will be grouped together in 2 weeks of intensives (9/10 hours in total over 10 school days).

Year 4 swimming provisional dates - 9 sessions, 25th-29th April and 3rd-6th May (2nd is a Bank Holiday) – (every morning 10.30-11.30am)

Year 3 swimming dates - 6th to 10th June and 13th to 17th June (every morning 10-30am-11.30am)

### **How to report Covid Test results –**

If you have a positive result from a PCR test, please can you email the office on

[office.2583@stockham.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2583@stockham.oxon.sch.uk) Please send both negative and positive results to this email address.

### **Class News**

- Year F** In Foundation this week we have been finalising our Christmas preparations; we have designed our own Christmas jumpers, made paper chains to decorate the classroom for our party and used our phonics to write our Christmas shopping lists. In maths we have been focusing on the composition of numbers 1-5 and used our knowledge to stamp some amazingly colourful wrapping paper!
- Year 1** In Year 1 this week we have been getting really Christmassy. The children have been busy creating a little Christmas box to bring home. They really enjoyed learning how to create a piece of marble art and they worked really hard threading beads to create their own Christmas decoration. We have also been cooking this week, the children had to follow a recipe and measure the different ingredients to make their own rice crispy Christmas puddings!
- Year 2** We have loved joining in with lots of Christmas activities in school this week! We have enjoyed working on lots of Christmas crafts as well as participating in Christmas singing, Christmas lunch and our Christmas party. We have had lots of fun together and have really got into the spirit of Christmas.
- Year 3** In Year 3 we have enjoyed a lovely last week of term. We were absolute super stars in the Christmas show and really made Mrs Kerman proud! We have also had a fabulous Christmas dinner and thoroughly enjoyed our class treat. We have used our artistic and craft skills and we will be bringing home some beautiful Christmas creations!
- Year 4** Year 4 have been so busy this week! All the children have put everything they have got into our Key Stage 2 production and have raised the bar at every performance. In history we have also learnt about Boudicca and how she played an important part in the Roman invasions of Britain. We have loved doing lots of Christmas crafts this week and we hope you enjoy these when we bring them home! It has been lovely to see all the wonderful homework projects coming in and I am so proud of all the different ways the children have approached all the different tasks. I wish you all a very happy, restful and healthy Christmas.

**Year 5** This week we have been looking at cubed numbers in maths and continuing to look at our mars transmission in English. We have also all been amazing in the Key Stage 2 play!!

**Year 6** This week Year 6 have recapped Roman numerals and been busy solving some Christmas maths problems. We got arty and made some calendars for next year and really enjoyed our Christmas musical performances.

### **Soaring High**

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

**Year F** Oliver for his kindness and thoughtfulness when writing his Christmas shopping list for his family, and for using his phonics to independently sound out the words he wanted to use. Well done Oliver!

Rhys for working so hard on his blending skills and making such good progress in his reading. Well done Rhys!

**Year 1** Mollie for your independence with your learning this week. Every morning you have come into the classroom and worked really hard on your morning task; you wrote some great sentences on Wednesday! Well done Mollie!

Esmée for always showing all your learning powers! You listen beautifully during our lessons and show great teamwork with your friends. It has been lovely seeing you create wonderful stories with the characters in the doll's house this week. Well done Esmée!

**Year 2** All of Year 2 for an amazing term. You have all worked so hard and made great progress with your learning. Well done! We are all really proud of you and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

**Year 3** Thomas for using such fantastic confidence with his reading, I can really see you working really hard and it is lovely to listen to you reading out loud in the classroom. Well done Thomas, this is fantastic.

Jasmine for using determination and care when creating her calendar, you worked carefully and produced a really lovely piece of work that will be lovely to look at throughout all of 2022! Well done Jasmine.

**Year 4** All of Year 4 for the part they have played in the Key Stage 2 Christmas show. You have all been absolutely amazing. Some of you have really pushed yourselves out of your comfort zones, with being 'in the limelight' not being your favourite thing and all the adults in Year 4 are so proud of you for that. You have all achieved so much. Well done, Year 4!

**Year 5** All of Year 5 for a great term. Well done Year 5!

**Year 6** All of Year 6 for their confidence and teamwork in the show. They really supported each other to put on an amazing performance and encourage each other to give it their all. It was amazing and all the teachers are very proud of you. Go team Wolves!

Well done everyone!

### **Tidy Tiger**

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Val 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](mailto: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](http://pmgschoolwear.co.uk) and the order line is 0800 4046644.

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