



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been very busy in school this week!

Year 5 have enjoyed taking part in an Anglo Saxon day



Year 6 enjoyed playing escape room games on red nose day and Foundation class enjoying Well-being Wednesday Squiggle Wiggle



Year 1 have enjoyed their forest school sessions and Year 2 and Year 3 are designing Bronze age pots, the more intricate the design the more wealthier the owner!



Year 4 collecting weaving material in the sensory garden. Year 1 hockey lesson with James and Year 2 well-being afternoon.





Thank you to everyone for dressing up and having some fun on Red Nose Day, we raised **£335**. There is still time to make a donation using the link below:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2486>

Parents evenings

Bookings for parents evening will go live on the last day of term (Wednesday 31st March early in the morning). Please book online using your Parentmail app. You will receive a slip to fill in and return to your teacher to state whether you would like a zoom call or a phone call for your appointment.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 30th March - The Wonders of Space, explorer dome company (via zoom) 1-2pm Year 5 and Year 6 and 2-3pm Year 3 and Year 4

Wednesday 31st March – End of term 4 (12.00pm for Years F, 1, 5 and 6; 12.10pm for Years 2, 3, and 4)

Monday 19th April – Term 5 begins

Week beginning Monday 26th April – parent evenings via phone call or zoom.

Monday 3rd May – Bank holiday Monday – school closed

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

Monday 7th June – Term 6 begins

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 leaver BBQ

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

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank.

FOS Easter trail

Following the success of the Halloween trail, FOS are delighted to be hosting an Easter trail on Sunday 11th April. Follow the hidden Easter Eggs to reveal the code and collect your prize!

Maps will be available to collect from school from 12:00 until 3:00 pm (or just after) for a minimum donation of £1 per map. Completed maps to be returned to school by 5:00 pm to collect your prize. We will have a very limited float due to COVID restrictions so please try and provide correct change where you are able. We will be operating in accordance with social distancing requirements in the playground, so please do distance from other families, and adults should wear a mask whilst on school grounds.

We also have a number of Stockham tea towels available to purchase on the day, these are £4 each or 3 for £10.

Class News

- Year F** This week in Foundation we have enjoyed learning how to care for the chicks and thinking about what they will do in their new homes. We loved holding the chicks and taking photos of each other using the iPads.
- Year 1** This week Year 1 have been writing our letters to the elderly residents at Stirlings in Wantage, we are very excited to see if we receive any letters back. In maths we have been revising how to add by counting on. We have also really enjoyed making dinosaurs in art.
- Year 2** We are continuing to look at fractions this week and are now moving on to finding the fractions of numbers. We are experts at using the bar model and pictures to help us with this. In our computing lessons we are thinking about staying safe online. We have specifically talked about the difference between people we know in real life and those people that we could come across online. Ask us who our trusted adults are to help us stay safe when online.
- Year 3** This week we have been planning and writing our own stories set in the Stone Age, inspired by the book 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura. We have tried to include lots of authentic historical details as well as some correctly punctuated direct speech. In maths we have been revising multiplying by 10, and in DT we have been designing and making our own clay pots - the more ornate the design, the wealthier the owner!

- Year 4** Year 4 have been busy this week finding out the actual ending to our story The Lion and The Unicorn and seeing how it compares to the endings we wrote. We have also been doing a great job of writing sentences which include expanded noun phrases. In maths we have started learning about fractions and everyone has made a great start with this. We have had some lovely afternoon mindfulness sessions making weaving looms from sticks and wool and then weaving natural materials we found in the school grounds into our looms. The class were all very proud of their creations!
- Year 5** Year 5 have had a fantastic week. We were visited by Leigh from Historic Workshops who taught us all about the Anglo Saxons, including battle tactics and how the Witan works. We also found out that Witan Way in Wantage is probably called this due to a Witan being held there by the Anglo Saxons! We have also been looking at word problems in maths and have completed a reading assessment!
- Year 6** This week, Year 6 have been working hard on mastering simplifying fractions in maths, using lots of investigations. We have also looked at creating our own characters in preparation for writing a magical and mysterious story next week.

Soaring High

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

- Year F** Tyler for always being a kind and thoughtful friend and being always willing to lend a hand.
Miley May for showing great independence learning powers getting ready for PE.
Well done Miley May.
- Year 1** Jacob for using great confidence in his learning in maths, all of the adults have noticed how hard you have been working, well done for such a super effort.
Leah for using her independence in the classroom, it is lovely to see, giving everything a try when we are learning. You are happy to have a go at what we are doing by yourself and only ask for help if you need to. Well done, this is a really great attitude to have.
- Year 2** Guy for returning to school with the biggest, happiest smile and with such a positive attitude to learning. You are working exceptionally hard and are an amazing role model for the class. Well done!
Kacie for always trying your best and giving things a go. You never give up and use the perseverance learning power so well. Thank you!
- Year 3** Joey and Kathy for great listening in class, especially in maths lessons. You have both greatly increased your confidence in this subject and should feel very proud of your progress. Well done!
- Year 4** Alandria for working so hard this week in everything we have been doing – especially maths and our weaving project. You have used all your learning powers and got onto the Deep Sea Dive on more than one occasion. You are always so positive, Alandria and you should be very proud of yourself.
Madison for excellent contributions during lessons. Your hand is always up and you are always willing to share your ideas and answers. You fully engage in lessons and try hard to apply what we have been learning about in your own work. Well done, Madison, keep it up.
- Year 5** Harry for using his team work and supporting others in the class. Well done Harry!
Issac for using his confidence and asking lots of insightful questions during our Anglo Saxon Day.
- Year 6** Noah for an improved attitude towards learning. Your confidence has grown massively this week and I am so proud of how hard you have worked in maths and English. Keep going!
Alfie Bel for being consistently hard working and contributing to learning in every lesson. It is a pleasure to teach you Alfie, keep up the good work!

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).