



# STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Red Nose Day



The School Council had a fantastic time running Red Nose Day! They were excellent quiz masters and then helped sell all of the fantastic cakes that were brought into school. We raised a total of £290.58! Thank you very much for all of your generous donations!

## **Coronation Cake Design**

### **PRIMARY SCHOOL CAKE-TOP COMPETITION**

As part of the Town's Celebration of The Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort, on Saturday 6th May 2023, the Market Place will be closed and a large screen to display the Coronation installed. There will be tables and chairs laid out, food and drink stalls, a stage with musical entertainment, and various children's rides and family entertainment.

As part of the celebrations, two large cakes (28" by 14" / 71 cm by 35 cm) are being baked professionally. One cake will have the Coronation logo, see below; the other will have a design created by a local primary school pupil. Stockham School will hold its own competition and submit 2 winning designs from each appropriate year group. These designs will then be judged and the overall winner's design put onto the cake. The Winner and Runners' up will be displayed in the Vale and Downland Museum and will be given Coronation related prizes and certificates.

All the children will be designing our cake toppers later this term, ready to submit them before the 20<sup>th</sup> April.



## **Dates for your diary**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** – End of term at 12pm.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April** – Children return to school for term 5

## **Sharing Assemblies – We invite parents to join us to see what your child has been learning about:**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March** 2.30pm – Foundation

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April** 2.30pm – Year 5

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May** 2.30pm – Year 1

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May** 2.30pm – Year 3

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** 2.30pm – Year 4

Extra Bank holiday - There will be an extra bank holiday on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023** due to the King's Coronation.

Many thanks,  
Mrs Ruth Burbank

## **Mental Health**

As parents and carers we play an important role in teaching children and young people how to understand and manage their feelings as they grow up.

### **What can I do at home?**

Find time to talk, just the two of you – 'Check in' with them while you're doing things together, so they get used to talking about their feelings.

Play together – Play helps them to be curious, learn new things, solve problems and express feelings without words.

Be a role model – Show how you cope with difficult feelings and look after yourself.

The website below has some useful links to further information

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/supporting-your-child-s-mental-health/>



### **[How to support your child's mental health – Place2Be](https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/supporting-your-child-s-mental-health/)**

Place2Be works with schools to help parents support their child's mental health and improve their emotional wellbeing.

[www.place2be.org.uk](https://www.place2be.org.uk)

## **Class News**

**Year F** In Foundation this week we have been very excited by the arrival of an incubator full of eggs on Monday! We have loved watching the chicks hatch out of the eggs, and it has led to lots of observational talk, writing and drawings. The children have been very interested and inspired!

**Year 1** This week in Year 1 we have been exploring different methods of communication used in the past and used now. We have learnt that in the past they used pigeons to send messages. We have started writing our own books in English ready to share them with foundation next week. In DT we have been investigating different types of structures including man-made and natural ones.

**Year 2** Year 2 have been exploring their week of measures and are moving on to multiplication and division.  
In DT, we have been exploring slider mechanisms. In English we have started to create a book of instructions for games to play outside in the nicer weather.

**Year 3** In English we have started to write our newspaper article about the findings of Tutankhamun's tomb in 1922. In maths we have learnt about grams and kilograms and are now learning about capacity. We are co-operating and collaborating in a group to create an Egyptian dance performance in PE.

- Year 4** This week, Year 4 have created their final self-portrait prints within art lessons. We have been inspired by the Pop Art style of Andy Warhol and created our own prints using polystyrene sheets. Fractions can be tricky to grasp, but the class have persevered and have been sharing their knowledge of how to represent a mixed fraction.
- Year 5** Year 5 have had a busy week. We have written and edited our stories based on the Gorilla and we will be reading them to Year 1 shortly! In maths we have continued to look at multiplication and division. In science we have started to investigate forces and have been investigating whether the different mass of objects effects the rate at which they fall.
- Year 6** Year 6 have been really busy this week enjoying doing more work based around our book The Last Bear. We have thought about the characters of April and Bear and how they are helping each other through some tricky situations. We have also thought about what it might have been like for April to ride on the back of Bear! In maths we have been learning about percentages and how to find percentages of different amounts. As geographers we have learnt about the Gulf Stream and how it effects our climate in the UK. We also all really enjoyed our visit to King Alfred's watching their performance of High School Musical.

### Soaring High

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

- Year F** Poppy for showing confidence and independence in her writing, using all her phonics knowledge to support her sentences about the chicks. Well done Poppy! Leighton for working hard to improve his handwriting so that other people can read the amazing sentences he is writing. Keep it up Leighton!
- Year 1** Rhys and Harley for some fantastic independent writing this week in preparation for writing our own books. You have come up with some great ideas and we cannot wait to read your finished book! Well done.
- Year 2** Stirling for his very positive and determined attitude all the time. He always has his hand up to share his ideas and knowledge.  
Kayden for his brilliant teamwork. He worked well with his partner to create slider mechanisms and is always noticed by his peers for fair and kind play at lunchtimes.
- Year 3** Isaac – for his super writing in English. Keep going Isaac!  
Luna – for being a team player and supporting others in their learning.
- Year 4** Freddie for your continuous efforts during maths lessons. Although this is a subject you already have confidence in, you have embraced new challenges to develop your understanding further.  
Pip for his growing confidence in his work. You have worked hard to improve the presentation and quantity of work in your books over all subjects. Keep it up!
- Year 5** Charlotte for always using her learning powers. Charlotte has great independence and teamwork in class. You are always ready to learn and set a great example to your peers. We are all very proud of you. Well done!  
Alfie used his resilience and determination this week and wrote an excellent story based on the Gorilla. Well done Alfie
- Year 6** Georgia for having a great week and making good choices. You have produced some great work this week and made all the adults very happy with the work you have produced. Well done, Georgia, you should be very proud of yourself.  
Amelia for always working very hard and trying particularly hard in maths this week. You are a great learning partner in lessons and are always a very caring and considerate friend to others. Well done, keep it up, Amelia.

Well done everyone!

### Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 3 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](http://pmgschoolwear.co.uk).