



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Good vibes post box topper - Thank you **Carol Edgington** for making our school an amazing red kite post box topper. You are truly very talented and we are extremely grateful for your generosity!



Children's annual reports

On Friday 15th July we will be handing out your child's report. If you wish for your child to take the report home (as you will not be collecting your child on this day) please send in written permission. If you require an additional copy of the report for parents living at a different address, please let your class teacher know or contact the school office.

Breakfast club increase in fees

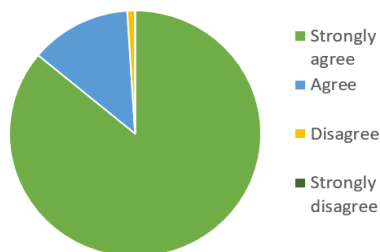
In line with food and utilities increase in cost, we will be charging £3 for breakfast club from September 2022. This is still a lower cost for school extended day in comparison to any other schools locally.

Parent questionnaire results

Thank you very much to all the parents and carers who took the time to complete the questionnaire. We are thrilled to see such positive results with 100% of parents recommending the school to other people. We will be looking at the suggested areas for improvement during the next academic year.

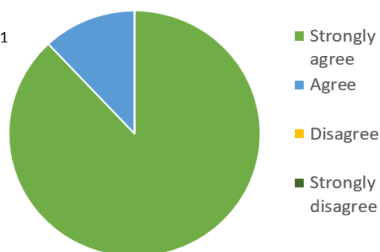
My child is happy at this school

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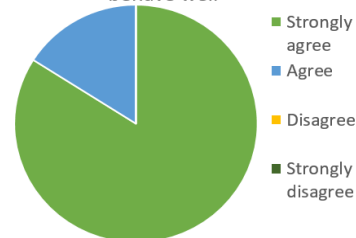
My child feels safe at this school

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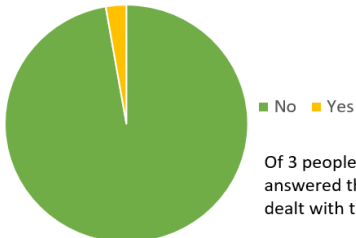
This school makes sure pupils are encouraged to behave well

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My child has been bullied at this school

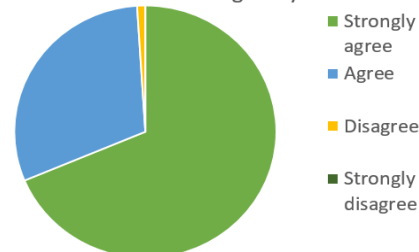
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Of 3 people responding yes, 2 answered that school had dealt with this effectively

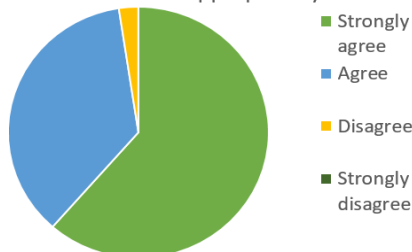
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year

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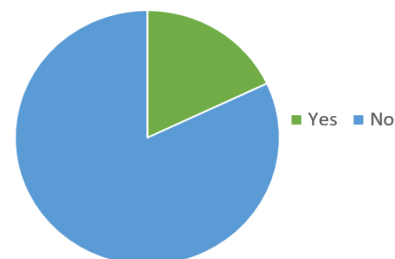
When I have raised concerns, they have been dealt with appropriately

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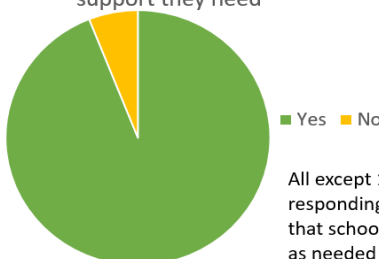
Does your child have special needs or disability

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My child has SEND and the school gives them the support they need

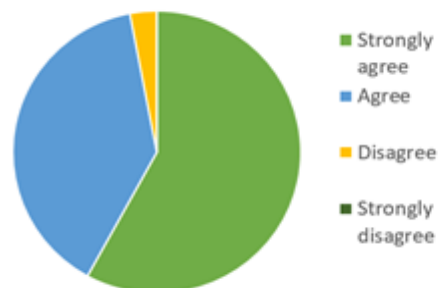
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All except 1 person responding yes, answered that school provided support as needed

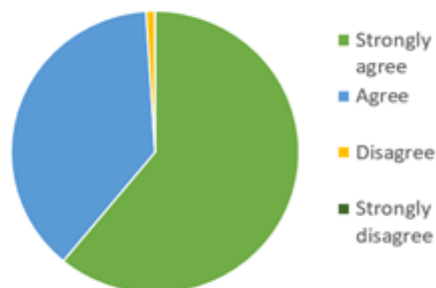
The school has high expectations for my child

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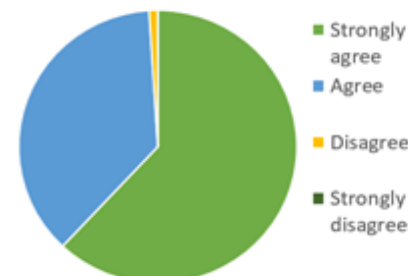
My child does well at this school

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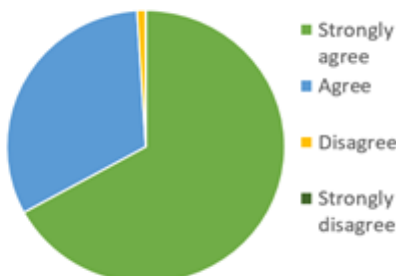
The school lets me know how well my child is doing

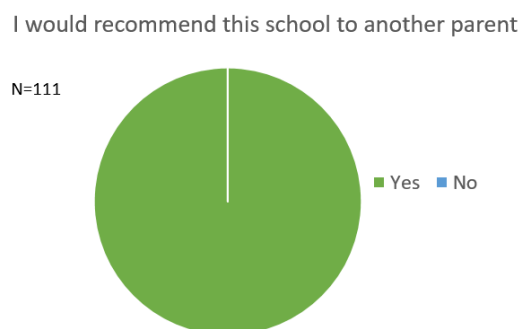
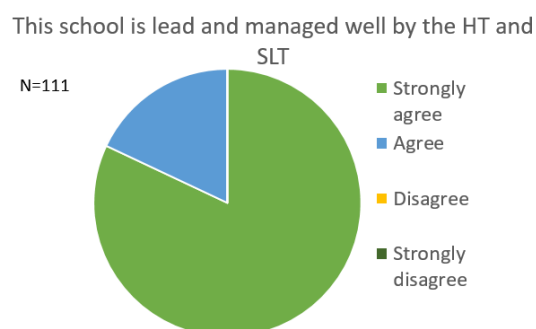
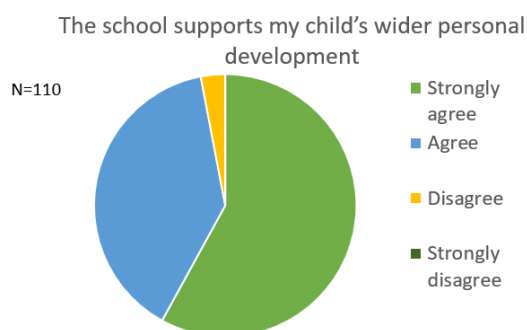
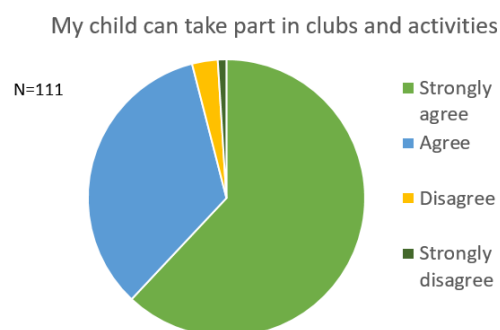
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There is a good range of subjects available

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What do we do well at Stockham school?

- Communication
- Family feel
- Safe and happy
- Lots of activities
- Instil values
- Wide variety of lessons
- Praise and reward
- Celebrate success
- Pastoral and emotional support
- Responsive to concerns
- Caring staff
- Nurturing
- Approachable
- Family involvement
- Treat children as individuals
- Forest school
- Inclusive
- Sensible policies
- Creative activities
- Fun
- Mastery in maths
- Atmosphere
- Everything
- Strong leadership
- Fundraising

What could we do better?

- More updates on progress (? Quarterly)
- More regular book changes
- Back to face to face parent's evenings
- More consistent/more use of Tapestry
- Communication
- More free after school clubs (particularly Foundation)
- More information on what to focus on
- Information on techniques used to teach (F)
- Share individual progress charts
- Monthly assemblies
- More SENCO support
- Returning lost property
- Mindfulness
- Let slow eaters get food first
- More equal access to school trips (between years)
- Info on service PP spend
- Less focus on TT exams
- Informal parent sessions
- Give children more say in what they learn
- Inform on ongoing staff changes
- Ask and listen to parent ideas
- Specialist EFL support
- Info on upcoming topics
- Specific emails for each class teacher
- More diverse curriculum
- More music, RE, drama, cooking in classes
- After school how to ride a bike
- Less homework for younger ones

From September 2022 we will be making a slight change to the school PE kit. In September we require all children to wear their house colour t-shirt during PE lessons. These can be purchased on our school uniform website <https://www.pmgschoolwear.co.uk>. You may alternatively wish to buy a plain t-shirt in the correct colour for your child from stores such as Sainsbury's etc. please ask your child or class teacher if you are unaware of your child's house colour.



Assemblies to Parents and Carers

Year group	Date
Foundation	13 th July 2.30pm
Year 6	21 st July (Leaver's show – time to be confirmed in the morning)

Dates for your diary

15th July – Children's reports home to parents and carers, Friends of Stockham Summer disco and BBQ

19th July – Children meet new teachers and TAs (Swap over afternoon)

21st July – Leavers play and school finishes for the Summer holidays at 12pm

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank

Here is our school list to our Amazon wish list page!

It is full of the latest recommended books which we would love to begin filling our book corners, school library and guided reading selections with. The books will be distributed and used all over the school - based on the needs of the children and school areas. If you would like to support us by buying a book for our school, we would be incredibly grateful! The link can be found here: <https://amzn.eu/eATTDGF>

On Friday 1st July we took 8 children from Years 5 and 6 to the Wantage Swimming Gala. They all did so well even though some of the children were very nervous having never attended a gala before. They had to swim individual events, as well as working together in relay teams, and swim multiple strokes. Well done Emma, Gwyn and the boys' team for all coming first in their individual events and the boys in the freestyle relay. Overall the boys team finished an amazing first place - they were all incredibly proud of themselves. The girls came 5th. The teachers were very proud of the confidence you all showed when trying something new. You were all willing to have a go and gave it your all. Well done!



Class News

- Year F** In Foundation this week we have loved taking part in sports day! Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to cheer us on. We have been reflecting on our time together in Foundation and thinking about the things that we have treasured over the last year to go in our pirate treasure boxes. We've also been practicing hard for our sharing assembly and can't wait to share our work with you all next week.
- Year 1** Year 1 had an amazing sports day and really enjoyed showing off their different sporting talents! In English we have been reading the story *Bedtime for Monster* by Ed Vere. The children drew their own monsters and described them using adventurous adjectives! We then looked at how the different monsters in the story travelled and came up with our own descriptive phrases about our monsters. In maths this week we have been looking at making a quarter, the children enjoyed exploring the different ways they could fold a square in to quarters.
- Year 2** In Year 2 we have enjoyed a busy but very exciting week! We loved sports day and it was great fun to show all our PE skills and teamwork in front of the parents. We also had a brilliant time on our class trip to Woburn Safari Park. On the foot safari we loved seeing the smaller animals up close, watching the animal feeding and listening to the zoo experts at our education session. The coach safari was great fun and it was so interesting to hear all the facts about the animals from our tour guide.
- Year 3** This week Year 3 have had a very busy week, we have been finishing off our maths, learning about measuring and looking at how to calculate perimeter. In English we have been writing recounts about our brilliant trip to Cogges Farm and continuing to look at non-fiction texts about plants. We have also been weaving baskets with wool and enjoyed sports day!
- Year 4** Year 4 have been really busy this week. We have been loving looking back at our year in Year 4 when we have been putting our assembly together. We worked really hard on learning our lines and speaking clearly. We hope those of you who were able to join us for it, enjoyed it. We have also been continuing to learn to tell the time, this time to 1 minute intervals. As scientists we have been extending our knowledge of classifying different groups of vertebrates. We also tried super hard during sports day and loved our medals!

- Year 5** Year 5 have been working hard writing our Greek myths in English. In maths we have been learning about translations and reflections. We have also been learning about how the ancient Greeks were organised into city States with their own governments and rules. We had a great sports day and all competed to the best of our ability.
- Year 6** Year 6 have been exploring how light reflects on different objects in science. In PSHCE they have been discussing healthy and happy relationships with others and having a positive self-identity.

Soaring High

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

- Year F** All of Foundation for their effort, enthusiasm, and excellent sportsmanship during Sports Day. Well done all of you!
- Year 1** Rosie L for your amazing monster description. You worked really hard during our English lesson, thinking of different adventurous adjectives to describe your monster.
Jack for your amazing attitude to learning! This week you have tried your best in all subjects and showed all your learning powers! We loved reading your Monster description! Well done Jack!
- Year 2** All of Year 2 for exceptional behaviour at sports day and on our trip to the safari park. You all showed excellent teamwork and supported each other wonderfully well. Well done Team Tigers!
- Year 3** Eva for using fabulous perseverance with her running, it was amazing to see you doing the long cross-country run, you clearly had listened to all the helpful tips and really paced yourself and did so well, this is a great achievement Eva, well done! Freddie for using great listening and confidence on our trip to Cogges Farm, you really demonstrated your excellent knowledge of our theme and had some really great answers to the questions that we were asked, well done Freddie!
- Year 4** All of Year 4 for your wonderful assembly. You all tried so hard and it was so lovely to hear you talking about all our memories from this year. All the adults in Year 4 were very proud of how confident you were and how lots of you stepped in at the last minute with extra lines. What a fab team you all are!
- Year 5** Tyler for showing great effort in the long distance run on sports day.
Chloe for good teamwork skills in science this week.
- Year 6** All of the children who were amazing sports leaders at the KS1 sports day. You were really positive with the children and all the adults really appreciated your help.

Well done everyone!

Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 4 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.

<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).