



# STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,  
It has been a busy week all round at school. Year 3 enjoyed an amazing trip to Cadburys World last Friday to complement their learning topic of 'Chocolate'. Thank you to all the parent helpers who accompanied this trip and helped make this trip possible.



## How to report Covid Test results –

Our school phone lines have been very busy this week. If you have a result from a PCR or lateral flow test, please can you email the office on [office.2583@stockham.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2583@stockham.oxon.sch.uk)

## Dates for your diary

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October** – Invictus games visitor in school – children to come to school in sportswear and trainers or dressed as their sporting hero ready to take part in a whole school circuits challenge

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – End of term at 3pm for all children

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Inset day – Staff vision day – no children in school today

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November** – Start of term 2 – 8.40-8.50am

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – Photo day - individual photos taken of children

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November** – Flu nasal spray offered to all children by NHS nurses (more information to follow)

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November** - Children in Need day – School council to arrange

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Whole school pantomime trip to Swindon (Jack and the Beanstalk)

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas dinner day

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

Many thanks,  
Mrs Ruth Burbank.

## Class News

- Year F** In Foundation this week we have been talking about our houses and our families; thinking about what shapes there are in a house, what number houses we live at and who lives in our house with us. We have enjoyed making our own houses to display in the classroom and a big cardboard box house in our garden. We have also been looking for signs of Autumn, inspired by some of the children finding lovely shiny conkers on the school field at lunchtime. The children noticed some of the leaves changing colours and there has been lots of discussion about nuts and seeds. The children have also enjoyed telling us about their Autumn treasure hunting walks at home too!
- Year 1** This week we have introduced our rainbow challenges, the children have loved decorating their own folders and learning how to use a hole punch to file their own work! In phonics we have been looking at tricky words and practising writing them! In maths we have been looking at groups of objects and representing the number in a different way.
- Year 2** This week Year 2 have had quite a few adults teaching them and have shown great teamwork to cope with all the changes in their classroom. On Monday they had their class treat where they watched a film in their pyjamas. In maths Year 2 have been counting objects up to 100 and in science they have been looking at our solar system and the planets within it.
- Year 3** This week in Year 3 we have been writing detailed descriptions about our chocolate bars. We have also been looking at different parts of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory in detail, we have particularly been thinking about the characters of Charlie and the shopkeeper and using similes to describe them. In maths we have been continuing to look at numbers up to 1000, we have been partitioning these numbers into hundreds, tens and ones and looking at different ways to represent this.
- Year 4** Year 4 have been busy this week deepening our understanding of our story 'How the Frog Became King of the Rivers and Marshes'. We have done lots of work in role as the different characters and have written diaries and letters. In maths we have been deepening our understanding of place value and have had fun partitioning numbers. We have been Geographers and researched all about one of the rivers of the world and had great fun being particles of solids, liquids and gases.
- Year 5** Year 5 have been finding out about Scott of the Antarctic in English. We have story mapped his final diary looking at the structure of the text. In maths we are continuing to explore place value and have been understanding numbers to 100,000. We have been exploring human and physical features in geography and comparing the features in South America to the UK.
- Year 6** This week, Year 6 have been exploring place value in maths. In English, we have looked at the features in an information text and begun to research our own animals in preparation for our own non chronological reports. In geography we have been exploring locations around the world and focussed particularly on North America.

## Soaring High

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

**Year F** Louise for her increasing confidence and independence at school. These are great Stockham Learning Powers and it is lovely to see your confidence with our routines at school growing more every day and watch you be so independent in your learning and choosing times. Well done Louise!

Bobby for being a kind and helpful friend. You are always so helpful and comforting to your friends if they need help or have hurt themselves. Friendship is a key part of school life, especially our Stockham Learning Power of Teamwork. You show this every day, well done Bobby!

**Year 1** Isabel for your super work this week, it is really lovely to see you working hard and playing with your Year 1 friends.

Chester for your enthusiasm towards our new rainbow challenges! You have worked really hard all week to complete all of our challenges. Well done!

**Year 2** Isaac for being kind and helping others with their work during our science topic work on Space!

Luke for working hard and never giving up to do an excellent job completing a fact sheet about Space.

**Year 3** Emily for using her confidence and listening in our spelling lessons, you have worked really hard and it was very impressive to hear how much you have remembered from what we have already learnt. Well done Emily!

Alfie W for using his perseverance in maths this week, you have tried so hard in all of our lessons and you should feel very proud of yourself. Well done Alfie!

**Year 4** Liam for always being so cheerful and polite. Liam always greets all the adults in the year group with such a nice welcome in the morning and asks how we are. He has contributed lots to our discussions this week and is just such a pleasure to have in Year 4.

Bella for being such a great learning partner. She is very supportive of whoever she is working with and contributes lots of her own ideas to discussions. She is always incredibly kind and caring and a great member of Team Year 4 Yetis!

**Year 5** Shanley for showing great confidence in class and approaching everything with a can do attitude!

Violet for using her independence and confidence in class. Well done Violet - you are a great roll model!

**Year 6** Jess for her enthusiasm and perseverance in maths lessons this week.

Amber and Tiana for their great teamwork in English when searching for facts about their chosen animal.

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 [pmsgschoolwear.co.uk](http://pmsgschoolwear.co.uk) and the order line is 0800 4046644.

Book bags and PE bags are also available to be purchased from [pmsgschoolwear](http://pmsgschoolwear.co.uk).