



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very exciting week with some wonderful experiences in Year 4 and 6. Year 4 enjoyed a fun packed day learning all about World War II. The speaker said that he had been to many schools before, but Year 4 were one of the most engaging classes that he had taught.



Year 6 had a fantastic day at Liddington PGL taking part in zip wire, giant swing, raft building and the challenge course. I was very surprised by many children who willingly threw themselves into the lake whilst raft building!





Attendance and lateness

Please can I remind parents and carers that attending school each day and arriving on time is compulsory. We have a number of children arriving late in the morning. The office staff are very busy answering phones and supporting the staff and children in school. Please can children come to school with all the items they need for the school day. Thank you.

Vacancies:

Catering manager

Edward and Ward are looking to recruit a new Catering manager to prepare and cook the meals for our lovely children at Stockham School. See below:

Catering Manager Required
25 hours per week Monday to Friday.
Term time only

To prepare and cook lunches for approx 120 students, weekly bookwork and general kitchen duties.
Previous experience in a similar roll preferred.

Please contact:

Catherine Bennett cbennett@edwardsandward.co.uk with your current CV



We are also looking to appoint 2 new **lunch time supervisors** to start as soon as possible: Please follow the link for more information <https://stockham.eschools.co.uk/web/jobs/373434>

Our lovely Millie in Year 1 is heading to the salon to have 12 inches of her beautiful golden locks chopped off for the Little Princess Trust. We are all so proud of you Millie. Good luck and what a wonderful cause. If you would like to donate towards Millie's fundraising page, please see below. https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/MillieSayer15?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_donation_received_-_nth_donation&utm_content=a2ce3f21-e7fc-4e4d-ba83-6a56964b1d16&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1621409380107

More School trips

Foundation – Friday 18th June – Trip to Whittenham Clumps Earth Trust
Year 1 – Friday 28th May – Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park
Year 2 - Monday 14th June - Trip to Marwell Zoo
Year 3 – Wednesday 7th July – Trip to Sutton Courtney Environment centre.
Year 5 – Thursday 17th June – Go Ape in Bracknell
Year 6 – Thursday 1st - 2nd July – Overnight sleepover at school with Go karting and Archery (information to be confirmed and shared with parents)

Year 4 trip to be confirmed soon!

Dates for your diary

Monday 24th May – Class photos (outside)

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

Monday 7th June – Term 6 begins

14th June – Mrs Wylde returns from maternity leave to support teaching across the school.

21st June – Whole school picnic on field (brunch bags only on this day from the kitchen) – Government rules depending!

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 leavers BBQ

Fri 16th July – End of year reports home to parents and carers

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

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank.

Class News

- Year F** This week we have been taking a closer look at the smallest creatures of our world – mini beasts! The children have enjoyed searching for mini beasts and setting up temporary homes so we can watch them closely. Inspired by some snails we wrote some lovely shape poems in literacy and in maths we have been using ladybirds and butterflies to learn about doubling. We also enjoyed the numeracy day challenges and learning how to work as a team to complete them.
- Year 1** Year 1 really enjoyed celebrating numeracy day this week, we used our problem solving skills and great team work to work on a number of maths challenges. This week we also have been finishing off our pirates topic, we have been creating our own treasure maps and using grid referencing to write instructions to find treasure.
- Year 2** In Year 2 we have been reading a newspaper report about an event that took place in the story of The Wizard of Oz! We will be preparing to write our own newspaper reports about an event of our choice over the next few weeks too! In maths we have begun to tell the time on an analogue clock. See if we can tell you the time at home!
- Year 3** This week we have been looking at right angles, vertical, horizontal, parallel and perpendicular lines in maths. We also loved our Crystal Maze challenges on National Numeracy Day and showed great teamwork and problem-solving skills! In English we have written and edited our accounts of Tutankhamun's last day, and in French we have been learning about the names of different family members.
- Year 4** Year 4 have had a great time! On Friday we had a wonderful World War 2 workshop and got to do lots of activities during the day which an ARP warden would have had to do as part of their duties. This included learning how to carry a stretcher carefully, bandaging a casualty, putting out a fire using a stirrup pump and learning what to do if there was something on fire. We also got to look at loads of artefacts and Leigh, the person running the workshop, said we were one of the most engaged classes he has ever worked with. The rest of the school also got to hear the air raid siren! In maths we have been learning about decimals and have really enjoyed our Crystal Maths challenge on National Numeracy Day.
- Year 5** Year 5 have been working hard writing our stories this week and celebrating National Numeracy Day. We have also been comparing modern day Olympics to the Ancient Olympics in history.
- Year 6** Last Friday we went to Liddington PGL and we had the best time! We all took part in four activities: the giant swing, the zip wire, an obstacle course and raft building. Everyone had a fantastic day and challenged themselves – even Mrs Burbank got Miss Booton (who isn't the biggest fan of heights) on the giant swing! All the adults were so proud of how Year 6 conducted themselves and the attitude they all had towards taking risks. This week we have been creating a PGL display to remember the day, and we've finally finished fractions! Another brilliant week in Year 6.

Soaring High

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

- Year F** Eleanor for writing her amazing snail shape poem with fantastic independence and concentration. Well done Eleanor!
Esmee and Morgan for their amazing bug hunting skills and using their knowledge of mini beasts to think carefully about where to look for them and how to care for them while we kept them for observation. Well done both of you!
- Year 1** Paige for showing such fantastic confidence in maths, well done, you have worked so hard and you listen so carefully in our lessons you should feel really proud of yourself!
Dominic for creating a fantastic story map in our English lesson, your work was beautifully clear and it was really good to tell the story using your map. Great work Dominic!

- Year 2** Lexi F for showing such brilliant teamwork with your new classroom partner. You support each other beautifully and your listening and perseverance have grown as a result too. Well done Lexi!
Marcus for always being a good role model in class and setting such a good example. You are always ready to learn and show excellent listening skills. Great work Marcus!
- Year 3** George for perseverance in English and taking great care with the presentation of your work.
Isabelle for a beautifully imaginative account of Tutankhamun's death, using some lovely vocabulary. Well done!
- Year 4** Edward for exceptional knowledge during our World War 2 workshop. Edward was super engaged the whole day and impressed all the adults with his extensive knowledge. Well done, Edward.
Chloe for a brilliant costume she hand made for our World War 2 workshop. She embraced the idea of make do and mend and made her costume out of a pair of her Nan's curtains! Great work, Chloe!
- Year 5** Amber and Amelie for showing great teamwork during our problem solving activities during National Numeracy Day. Well done!
- Year 6** Ellie for settling in to life in Year 6 so smoothly. It feels like you have been here forever and I'm really enjoying teaching you!
Dylan for being a constant role model in class, you always work so hard and put in maximum effort into everything you do. You are so helpful and are always respectful. It is a pleasure to have you in Year 6!

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).