



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Reminder: Friday 25th June and Monday 28th June – School inset days – school closed to children

We enjoyed a very inspiring whole school virtual illustrator session this week with Nick Sharratt. The children really enjoyed finding out about his life and what inspired Nick to be an illustrator. The classes all had a wonderful time carrying out drawings just like Nick's. Thank you Mrs Burson for organising this session for us all.





Would you like to make a difference in school? We are looking to appoint 2 new **lunch time supervisors** to start as soon as possible. The job role includes supporting the children with eating lunch, playing games outside and promoting a positive ethos around the school. The job is 7.5 hours per week over the lunch time period. If you feel that you have the right qualities for this exciting role, please follow the link for more information <https://stockham.eschools.co.uk/web/jobs/373434>

School trips still to come:

Foundation – rearranged for Thursday 8th July – Trip to Wittenham Clumps Earth Trust

Year 3 – Wednesday 7th July – Trip to Sutton Courtney Environment centre.

Year 4 – Wednesday 14th July – Trip to Wittenham Earth trust for a day of den/shelter making and wild art

Year 6 – Thursday 1st-2nd July – Overnight sleepover at school.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 6th July – Swap over afternoon – children meet their new Teachers! The teachers will be getting to know the children in their current classrooms to reduce risks of Covid19 spreading between tables and resources in classrooms.

Tuesday 13th July – Sports day (Foundation and KS1 in the morning) Years 5 and 6 pm

Thurs 15th July – Years 3 and 4 sports day, Year 6 leavers BBQ 5pm-6.30pm

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)

Monday 6th September - Children return back to school in their new year groups! Inset days are 1st, 2nd 3rd September for staff training. (This year our focus will be 'The science of well-being' and 'Curriculum drive and progression')

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank.

Class News

Year F Foundation class really loved our draw along with Nick Sharratt, the children have drawn some lovely illustrations and have been inspired to add illustrations to their story writing. We've also been enjoying recording spoken stories using the iPads to play to each other and to listen back to help us remember the story for our writing. In maths we have been enjoying the story 'How Many Legs' and using our addition skills to work out problems involving legs and feet!

- Year 1** This week in maths we have been counting in 2's and 5's. We have been spotting patterns to help us remember how to sequence our numbers. In English we have been writing our own non chronological reports about blue whales, we have used all our fantastic knowledge from our learning and have produced some really fabulous work!
- Year 2** In Year 2 we have been learning to measure the length and height of objects and to draw lines of a given length. We have worked hard to solve problems involving measure too. In Guided Reading we are really enjoying the story Gorilla by Anthony Browne and have talked about the characters' feelings at certain points in the plot.
- Year 3** We loved our drawing lesson from the illustrator Nick Sharratt this week, and he was very impressed by the questions we asked and the artwork we produced! In maths we have been revising addition and subtraction, and in art we have blended paint colours to create Egyptian sunset pictures.
- Year 4** Year 4 have had a great week this week. We really loved the draw along with illustrator, Nick Sharratt on Monday, with everyone producing such amazing images. We have also been deepening our understanding of the book The Lost Thing and have been able to compare the book version with the animation. In maths we have been learning all about telling the time - please help us practise this at home! We have also learnt about who invented the first telephone - ask us how much we can remember about it!
- Year 5** Year 5 have had a great start to the week. They have had a zoom lesson from the illustrator Nick Sharratt which was great. In maths we have started looking at converting measures and in English we have continued to look at non chronological reports. In PE with Mr Chadwick we have been learning how to improve our long distance running!
- Year 6** Year 6 have been busy this week as we have started to make the props for our performance! We are all pretty much off script and rehearsals are going really well. In maths we have been looking at ordering fractions, decimals and percentages and challenging ourselves by making up our own mathematical problems!

Soaring High

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

- Year F** Miley May for her focus and enthusiasm during the draw along with Nick Sharratt. Your illustrations were wonderful and all the better because you used your listening skills and your perseverance to learn from Nick during the session. Well done Miley May! Isla for showing increased independence in her learning and confidence in trying things out of her comfort zone this week. We are really proud of you for your can-do attitude and your bravery in pushing yourself this week. Well done Isla!
- Year 1** Leo for using such great listening when we drew with Nick Sharratt, your pictures were really fabulous, well done! Isaac for using great confidence in maths this week, well done, I have really noticed how well you are listening in the lessons. You were able to use your knowledge of counting in 2's to produce some really great work!
- Year 2** Alistair for sharing his ideas in guided reading so articulately and enthusiastically. You have used your listening learning power so well! Finley for always working so conscientiously and for trying your best in all lessons. You always work so diligently and use the Learning Powers to challenge yourself and move your learning forward. Well done.
- Year 3** James for perseverance with writing in English, and Abigail for taking care with the presentation of her work, and for always being so cheerful in class!
- Year 4** Jenson for working so hard this week and producing some excellent work. Your drawings on Monday were amazing and your writing in role as Shaun from the Lost Thing was really mature. Well done, Jenson. Keep it up!

Georgia for persevering with your drawings on Monday. Even though you found it tricky at the beginning you used your learning powers and produced a great end result. Well done - remember to believe in yourself!

Year 5 Fabian for always having a can do attitude to everything he does. Well done Fabian!

Lilly for thinking deeply during her English lesson with Miss Lovegrove. Well done.

Year 6 Harley for learning his lines perfectly and performing his heart out every time he gets on stage. I'm so proud of how far you have come this year, you're an absolute star!

Brooke for using her learning powers to conquer percentages. Your confidence has grown so much since January and I'm so proud of you in all aspects of school. Well done Brooke!

Well done everyone!

Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 6 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).