



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Friday 7th July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is nearly the end of another school year. There is still so much to do in school. We hope that Year 2 have a lovely visit to Bournemouth on their school trip, let's hope the weather stays dry for your trip on Monday!

Foundation and Key Stage 1 children have enjoyed a visit from Crocodiles of the World fitting in with Year 1's science theme of classification and characteristics of animals.



End of year dates for your diary:

Monday 10th July – Year 2 trip to Bournemouth

Tuesday 11th July – Swap over afternoon - Children meet their new teachers for September 2023.

New Foundation children visit 1.30-2.30pm.

12th/13th July – Years 3 and 4 – BBQ and sleepover in school

Friday 14th July – Annual written reports home to parents and carers. Please let your child's teacher know if you require an additional report for a parent/carer who resides at a different address. Reports will be handed to parents/carers only. If you wish for your child to take their report home please let your child's teacher know with written or verbal permission.

– Sports day - KS2 at 9.30am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Friends of Stockham School Disco and BBQ.

Tuesday 18th July - Year 6 leavers BBQ (5.00-6.30pm)

Wednesday 19th July – Year 6 leavers performance of 'School Daze' (6.00pm start, door open at 5.45pm)

Thursday 20th July – **End of term at 12pm**, Year 6 leavers performance of 'School Daze' (9.00am arrival for parents/carers with a 9.15am start)

Friday 21st July – INSET DAY

There will be meetings after school in September to meet your child's new class teacher(s) and find out more about what their year at Stockham will look like (year plan, timetable expectations etc).

New school timings Sept 2023

In line with the expectation that from September 2023 all state-funded schools meet 32.5 hours a week of school time, we will be extending our school day, finishing at 3.10pm. **The new timings, start on 5th September 2023 and will be 8.40pm-3.10pm.**

1st and 4th September 2023 –INSET days.

Children return to start the new school year on Tuesday 5th September (2023-2024 calendar can be found on the school website)

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank

Class News

- Year F** In Foundation this week we have been focused on pirates! A life on the seas sounds good to the Foundation crew and we have had a lot of fun with our focus story 'The Night Pirates'; creating our own pirates and thinking about what other adventures they might go on. We've used our collaborative building and painting efforts to create pirate ship role play areas both inside and outside, which has been lots of fun. We've also enjoyed a visit from Crocodiles of the World - and made lots of links to the story of Captain Hook!
- Year 1** This week in Year 1 we enjoyed our visit from the Crocodiles of the World, where we saw a bearded dragon, snake, and crocodile. We have enjoyed learning more about the first moon landing and creating a newspaper article all about it.
- Year 2** This week Year 2 have been learning to measure in millilitres and litres. In science, we have also been exploring different habitats from around the world and how they change. In geography, we have been using our mapping skills.
- Year 3** In art we have been looking at one of Peter Doig's art pieces and replicating part of it. We have used string, coloured tissue paper and glue to replicate the ripples in a puddle. We have also been writing about why Hindu's and non-Hindu's visit the River Ganges in India. The children were very excited to watch a couple of volcanoes erupting in our classroom. Thank you to all parents that have helped with making these.
- Year 4** This week Year 4 have been working hard in maths where they have been learning all about the properties of different shapes and they have learnt lots of new words that they have added to their 'long word dictionaries'! In English the excitement in the class is wonderful to see as the children write character descriptions and complete designs for their own villains.
- Year 5** Year 5 have been working hard writing our letters about child labour to a variety of different prominent football figures. We will be sending them off and hoping to get some replies! We have been looking at Swallows and Amazons in guided reading and also watching parts of the original film from 1974 to help us understand the story. In maths we have been looking at decimals and solving problems relating to money and measurement.
- Year 6** Year 6 have been really busy this week rehearsing for our play. We have enjoyed moving our acting onto the stage and using some props to bring our acting to life. The next stage is for us to get into costume! We are all working hard to learn our lines so we do not need to use our scripts. In DT we have been really busy making our 'softies' for our Foundation buddies. We have created patterns, measured these out carefully and started to sew it all together. Patience and perseverance have been needed but we are doing a great job. We still need to add all the small details before they are finished. But they are already looking great! In PSHE we have been talking about the ways in which our bodies might change as we reach puberty.

Soaring High

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

Year F Stanlee and Locryn for their enthusiasm and fantastic imaginations in their pirate drawings this week. We have loved seeing you take such care and attention over your drawings and labels. Well done both of you!

Year 1 Maia for asking some great questions about different animal types this week, you were really confident sharing what you have already learnt about them and the different characteristics of them.

Willow for developing her confidence to answer maths problems this week, you have contributed to the lessons by sharing your thoughts and ideas and this has shown in your work this week. Well done both of you!

Year 2 Rosie L for her great listening this week. She has also been a great partner and has shown good teamwork and determination in her activities.

Mollie for her determination in maths. She persevered independently to answer a tricky reasoning question.

Year 3 Jamie – for working hard and really focusing on his writing about why Hindu's and Non-Hindu's visit the River Ganges

Isla – for being independent in using a dictionary and for proof reading effectively to make corrections to her story about the Black Rock.

Year 4 Emily for her brilliant contributions to Guided Reading lessons. You thought carefully about the meaning of the lyrics and were able to share these with the rest of the class in a mature and sensible way.

Jasper for always being ready to learn. You are keen to pick up new ideas and concepts in the classroom but are also a great learning buddy to those around you. Well done Jasper, keep it up.

Year 5 Max E for some really well thought out writing. You have tried to use all the different features we have discussed in class and used some well thought out vocabulary! Well done Max!

Abigail for a huge improvement in her times tables! You have become much more fluent, and it has been great to see you using the times table facts in our maths lessons! Well done, Abigail!

Year 6 Jayden for having a great attitude when making your softie this week. You were so independent and just got on with the whole process. It was lovely to see you concentrating so hard to get it just right for your foundation buddy. Well done, Jayden, I can't wait to see the finished product.

Dylan for always being so thoughtful, hardworking and conscientious. You were an absolute pleasure to take to King Alfred's this week and represented Stockham so well. You have also been persevering so well while making your softie for your Foundation buddy and taking great care over it.

Well done everyone!

Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 2 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.