



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Friday 31st March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

After the Easter holidays we are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers of children in Foundation, Year 1 and 2 to join us in the school hall for a maths morning. The children are setting up a classroom in the hall and will teach you games and skills linked to maths learning, in order to help you with supporting them at home. We hope to see many parents join us for these mornings.

Year 3 have had a wonderful time at the Ashmolean Museum this week. They had a guided tour, learning new facts about Ancient Egypt, with real artefacts! Year 5 have enjoyed their Anglo-Saxon workshop in school.



Coronation cake design homework

PRIMARY SCHOOL CAKE-TOP COMPETITION

The children have come home from school today with a cake topper design. Please hand these in to the class teachers by the 18th April. Maybe one of the children from Stockham will see their design come to life as a real cake? (see below)

As part of the Town's Celebration of The Coronation of His Majesty The King and Her Majesty The Queen Consort, on Saturday 6th May 2023, the Market Place will be closed and a large screen to display the Coronation installed. There will be tables and chairs laid out, food and drink stalls, a stage with musical entertainment, and various children's rides and family entertainment.

As part of the celebrations, two large cakes (28" by 14" / 71 cm by 35 cm) are being baked professionally. One cake will have the Coronation logo, see below; the other will have a design created by a local primary school pupil. Stockham School will hold its own competition and submit 2 winning designs from each appropriate year group. These designs will then be judged and the overall winner's design put onto the cake. The Winner and Runners' up will be displayed in the Vale and Downland Museum and will be given Coronation related prizes and certificates.



Dates for your diary

Friday 31st March – End of term at 12pm.

Monday 17th April – Children return to school for term 5. Year 4 intensive swimming sessions begin. Year 2 maths morning for parents and carers, 9am.

Tuesday 18th April – Class photo day. Year 1 maths morning for parents and carers, 9am. F, 1 and 2 maths evening via zoom - 5pm.

Thursday 20th April – Foundation class maths morning in the hall - 9am

Friday 21st April – Easter bingo 6-7.30pm.

Monday 24th April – Visit from the Mayor – linked to the King's Coronation.

Thursday 4th May – Kings Coronation theme day – Children and staff dress as a King for the day (or Prince/Princess, or wear clothes fit for a Royal party!)

Monday 8th May Bank holiday due to the King's Coronation (school closed)

9th May – Year 6 SATS week.

Friday 26th May – End of term 5 at 3.00pm

Monday 5th June – Children return to school for term 6. Year 3 intensive swimming sessions begin.

Sharing Assemblies – We invite parents to join us to see what your child has been learning about:

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Thursday 27th April 2.30pm – Year 5

Thursday 4th May 2.30pm – Year 1

Wednesday 17th May 2.30pm – Year 3

Wednesday 24th May 2.30pm – Year 4

Many thanks,
Mrs Ruth Burbank

Parking

We have had complaints from parents about being blocked in whilst parking in the layby outside school. Please could we ask people to be considerate when parking, thank you.

Easter Family Breakfast Club

Easter Holiday – Tuesday-Thursday, 4th-6th and 11th-13th April 2023. Children who are entitled to free school meals and their family are invited to **FREE breakfast**.

Choices will include pancakes, beans on toast and bacon & eggs.

Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

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Mental Health

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/supporting-your-child-s-mental-health/>

Class News

- Year F** In Foundation class this week we have been making more observations of the chicks - they have inspired our writing and our artwork! We have practiced hard for our assembly, and looked forward to showing off our work to parents and the rest of the school. We also had an Easter based class treat for getting to 10 gemstones in our jar, which was a great fun way to finish the term.
- Year 1** This week in Year 1 we finished our pigeon books and we were able to share them with foundation class which was great fun! We have thought more about natural structures this week and we have created some nests and decorated some eggs.
- Year 2** This week Year 2 have created their 'playground games' book ready to show Year 1. We have started to look at multiplication and division in maths. In DT, we have created lever and slider mechanisms - making moving pictures after we practised with prototypes.
- Year 3** We have had an amazing week! We have finished our reports on the finding of Tutankhamun's Tomb in English. While on our trip yesterday, the children showed just how knowledgeable they were of King Tutankhamun. Yesterday, the children had an awesome time at the museum! In the morning we toured the museum in our groups looking for different artefacts from Ancient Egyptian and the Iron Age period. In the afternoon we became Egyptian Detectives looking for clues. The children liked the mummy of Djedjehutyiewefankh. They had great fun pronouncing his name! Just a reminder about upcoming events. During the summer terms we will be running Forest School for year 3. Please check your child's letter (sent out on 28.03.2023) regarding the dates your child will be participating in Forest School. There are two groups.
- Year 4** This week Year 4 have been excited to end their term with some sessions making Easter crafts. They all took great care in making sure they were the best they could be. They have also continued their progress in maths, this week identifying equivalent fractions using a number line. During PE they demonstrated their skills in Netball, playing short games against each other.
- Year 5** Year 5 have had a very busy end to the term. We have completed our maths unit on multiplication and completed our assessment. We have also started planning fact files in English. We had a fantastic day on Wednesday with our Anglo Saxon day! We learnt about the Witan, Anglo Saxon battles and we completed an archaeological dig! The children were really well behaved and a credit to Stockham. Well done Year 5!
- Year 6** Year 6 have been busy this week completing our work on our book The Last Bear. We have written our own story of how Bear got to the island and thought about how climate change has affected the life of Bear and the conditions on the island. We were determined to get the book finished before the holiday so we could see what happened to Bear and April. In maths we have been learning about perimeter and area and have now learnt how to work out the area of a triangle using a formula. In geography we have been learning about climate change: what causes it and how we might be able to prevent it. We have also been very busy making our Easter crafts ready for the Key Stage 2 Easter Fayre. We have all worked very hard this term and are looking forward to the Easter holidays!

Soaring High

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

- Year F** ALL of Foundation for their hard work practicing and delivering an awesome assembly to our whole school audience and our parents. Well done all of you!
- Year 1** All of Year 1 for all your hard work with planning, writing and illustrating your books. The adults in Year 1 are so proud of all your hard work and foundation really enjoyed listening to your stories. Well done everyone!
- Year 2** Mollie for being determined to create her best moving picture mechanism and then carrying on her learning out of school - you were very inspired by our lessons. Erin for being very determined to produce her best instructional writing and for working so hard to create her moving pictures. You listened carefully about how to improve and used your new learning on your second picture.
- Year 3** Leah - for challenging herself in maths and for not giving up on challenging questions.
James - for showing he is ready for his tasks.
- Year 4** The whole of Year 4 for their wonderful Netball skills. In your final lesson you demonstrated wonderful teamwork and used a variety of different passes. Well done Year 4.
- Year 5** Henry for using his confidence and making some great contributions in the Witan during our Anglo Saxon Day. Well done Henry.
Kiki for setting a great example in class and using her confidence and independence in her maths assessment. Well done Kiki!
- Year 6** Leon for having an improved attitude to work. You have been joining in more with class discussions and being more willing to share your answers and ideas. This is having a positive effect on your work. Keep it up, Leon!
Skyla for having an improved attitude in maths lessons this week and for getting much more completed. You have worked really well with your learning partners and this has had a positive impact. Keep it up, Skyla.

Well done everyone!

Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 1 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).