

# STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have received our certificate to show that Stockham School is now a World Record holder! Well

done to all the children who took part.



# Health and safety

Please can parents and carers remind children that they should not be on the school play equipment before and after school as they are not supervised by a member of school staff.

### Assemblies to Parents and Carers

We are really excited to tell you that the children will be sharing what they have been learning with you. Please come along to your child's class's short assembly to hear more about their learning journey.

Year group	Date
Year 2	8 <sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm
Year 5	16 <sup>th</sup> June 9.15am
Year 3	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2.30pm
Year 1	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm
Year 4	6 <sup>th</sup> July 2.30pm
Foundation	13 <sup>th</sup> July 2.30pm
Year 6	21 <sup>st</sup> July (Leaver's show – time to be confirmed in the morning)

## We are recruiting for:

- A lunch time Supervisor to start as soon as possible
- Two full time Teaching Assistants for September
- A key stage 2 teacher to start in September 2022

https://stockham.eschools.co.uk/web/jobs/373434

# **Dates for your diary**

9<sup>th</sup> May – Key stage 2 SATs week

18th May – Inter school Rounders Tournament at Stockham School

24th May – Year F and 6 NHS height and weight checks

27<sup>th</sup> May – Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration day (children and staff come dressed in red, white and blue, or Royal theme. Term 5 finishes at 3.00pm

6<sup>th</sup> June – Term 6 starts (8.40-8.50am)

16<sup>th</sup> June – Whole school photograph

20th June - Stockham School's 50th birthday celebration week

21st June 1.00pm – Whole school and families picnic + Ice cream van visit (more information to follow but please save this afternoon so that you can join us)

24th June – Inset day – school closed to children

27<sup>th</sup> June – Inset day – school closed to children

5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports day (am = Foundation and key stage 1, pm = Key stage 2)

15<sup>th</sup> July – Children's reports home to parents and carers

21st July - Leavers play and school finishes for the Summer holidays at 12pm

Many thanks, Mrs Ruth Burbank

#### Class News

- Year F In Foundation this week we are thinking about the lifecycle of a caterpillar. We have found out some interesting things about caterpillars and butterflies by reading some non-fiction books and enjoyed the story of The Very Hungry Caterpillar. We continued our Eric Carle art lessons with a large scale collaborative session of painting using lots of techniques. It was lots of fun! In maths we have been practicing our subitising and using our new knowledge of doubles to help us subitise larger amounts.
- Year 1 This week in Year 1 we have been continuing to look at different nature poems. The children enjoyed listening back to their recital of The Nut Tree by Julia Donaldson and are very proud of their own nature poems they have written! In maths we have been exploring numbers to 50 and using the dienes to help us order different numbers. In art we have been exploring Georgia O'Keeffe's artwork and thinking about how you can show emotion through sketching.
- Year 2 In Year 2 we have been working on sorting 2D shapes in a range of ways. To help us with this, we have used the properties of shapes we have already learnt, such as the number of sides, the number of vertices or the lines of symmetry. We have also begun to study 3D shapes. In English, we have been reading The Wizard of Oz and we have enjoyed looking at the characters in more depth. We have been using adjectives and noun phrases to help us write descriptions.
- Year 3 This week in English Year 3 have been using our text 'Hello Lighthouse,' we have discussed and written informal letters from the Lighthouse Keeper to his wife Alice. We have also used direct speech to show the conversation that the Lighthouse Keeper had with Alice when she arrived at the Lighthouse. In maths we have carried on looking at fractions and we have been recognising and finding thirds and looking at unitary and non-unitary fractions.

We have also been Geographers and found out all about the physical features of coasts.

- Year 4 have been very busy again this week developing our swimming skills. We have all made such amazing progress over the week; both in terms of our swimming technique and confidence in the water. All the adults in the year group are so proud of how hard all the children in Year 4 have worked on this area of the curriculum and how everyone has used their learning powers. In maths we have continued to work on our understanding of fractions and have focused this week on finding and recognising equivalent fractions. As historians we have investigated propaganda posters from World War 2, tried to analyse them to work out their message and even planned some of our own.
- **Year 5** Year 5 have been working hard this week. We have been looking at Poetry in English and exploring equivalent fractions in maths. We have also been looking at the different biomes around the world in geography.
- **Year 6** Year 6 have been revising their maths, learning how to tonal shade in art and exploring the term mental health. In science, we have been exploring microorganisms and how they are classified.

## **Soaring High**

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

- **Year F** Edith and Finley B for working really hard on the label writing for our caterpillar lifecycle. You listened really carefully as we broke the words down into syllables, persevered and used all of your sound knowledge to help you. Well done both of you!
- Year 1 Freddie for your amazing independent work during our nature walk. You listened beautifully to the instructions and came up with lots of adjectives to describe your nature objects. Well done!

  Kolby for your increased confidence in maths. You have shown real independence this week in maths when ordering numbers to 50. Well done!
- Year 2 Luke for using excellent vocabulary in our maths lessons this week. You have remembered the properties of 2D shapes so well. Brilliant work Luke! Isaac for working so hard in phonics. You have remembered how to write contractions and compound words brilliantly. Well done!
- Year 3 Lexi R for fantastic independence in our fraction work about finding and recognising thirds, well done, you worked really hard to complete your work, great work Lexi!

  Marcus for using his confidence and writing a really brilliant letter from the

Lighthouse Keeper to Alice, your work had all of the key features in of a letter in and every single word was spelt correctly too! Great work Marcus!

- Year 4 Joey for making such amazing progress with swimming. You have been so brave and completely determined to learn to swim and you have achieved it!!! It has been a pleasure to see your confidence increase more and more each session and witness you being so pleased with yourself when you achieved different skills. You should be very proud of all your achievements; I know I am!

  Leon for making amazing progress with your swimming skills and confidence in the water. You have persevered over the 2 weeks of our lessons and have made brilliant progress as a result. You have become braver each session and listened so well to your swimming teacher. It has been so lovely to see you independently trying out the different skills and being so happy with your achievements. Well done, Leon, what a superstar!
- Year 5 Jacob for showing great teamwork in class you work really well with your partner and produced some excellent work. Well done
  Rafe we were very impressed with your ability to work independently this week.
  Well done Rafe!

Year 6 Alfie B for a determined attitude in art lessons to practice his tonal shading. The teachers were impressed with your perseverance.

Alfie G for an all round determined attitude this week. You are aiming to be the best you can be in all lessons.

Well done everyone!

## **Tidy Tiger**

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 4 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.