



STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been another busy week in school. The Foundation class have spent their money on a visit to Sainsburys to buy ingredients to make gingerbread biscuits (linked to their learning of traditional tales). Year 5 are currently on their residential trip at Youlbury Scout Camp in Boars Hill, Oxford. They have had a fun packed trip taking part in lots of outdoor activities in the woods including axe throwing, and wild cooking!

Safety around the school premises

Please can I remind parents, carers and children that the play equipment is not to be used before or after school without staff supervision. Footballs and sports equipment should also not be used whilst children are on the field or playground during drop off or pick up times. This is to keep everyone safe during busy times of the day.

We are still seeing dangerous parking on the zig zags and double parking by the layby (blocking cars in the layby in). Please ensure you keep the children's safety as your main priority when dropping off and picking up.

End of year dates for your diary:

22nd May – Year 6 cycling proficiency week

Wednesday 24th May 2.30pm – Year 4 assembly to parents

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.

12th June – Year 1 phonics screening week

19th-21st June – Year 6 PGL residential to Liddington.

26th June – INSET day

Tuesday 4th July – Sports day – KS1 and Foundation in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon

Monday 10th July – Year 2 trip to Bournemouth

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

Friday 14th July – Annual written reports home to parents and carers.

Friends of Stockham School Disco and BBQ.

Year 6 leavers BBQ – Date to be confirmed.

Thursday 21st July – End of term at 12pm, Year 6 leavers performance (am)

Friday 21st July – INSET DAY

1st and 4th September 2023 – INSET days.

Children return to start a 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 class this week we have been focusing on the story of The Gingerbread Man. The children agreed they would want to catch the Gingerbread Man as well, because gingerbread is super tasty! We decided to make our own gingerbread men for snack - we looked up a recipe in a cook book, wrote down the ingredients we needed to buy and went to Sainsbury's to buy them. Back at school we made the gingerbread men and enjoyed eating them for snack!!
- Year 1** This week in Year 1 we have been busy writing up a recount of our school trip to the castle ready to display. We have been learning about what makes us incredible in our PSHE lessons and discussing with our classmates what makes them incredible. We have created our own mini models of the famous landmarks in London this week in teams as a challenge. It was a bit tricky, but we managed it using all our learning powers.
- Year 2** Year 2 have been busy finding fractions of different amounts in maths. In English, we have been exploring sentence types and using inverted commas (speech marks). In geography, we were detectives and found out about mangrove forests.
- Year 3** I would like to thank you for coming to our assembly this week and supporting the children in Year 3. We hope you enjoyed it! They were really confident and said their words loud and clearly. This week in English we have started thinking of climate change. We will be thinking about what we can do to help our local area. We will be writing a letter to our local MP to inform him of our ideas. In maths we have been learning to tell the time on a Roman Numeral clock.
- Year 4** This week Year 4 have completed their persuasive letters to Rishi Sunak. They took great care over them and enjoyed learning about the animals which are in danger of becoming extinct. On Thursday the class spent the day on a project to design and create an Anglo-Saxon money bag. They learnt about how fabrics have changed over time and different types of stitches.
- Year 5** Year 5 have had a great week. We have been looking at decimals and percentage in maths and continuing to write a non-chronological report. We have been learning about the Richter scale and earthquakes. We are really enjoying our field trip!
- Year 6** Year 6 have been really busy this week learning about our new text The Tempest. We have enjoyed exploring some of the new language connected to the story and thinking about the motives behind Prospero's actions. We have discovered we are very good at writing our own spells to conjure a tempest of our own! In history we have been learning lots about The Tudors and investigated the kings and queens of the Tudor period and what life was like for both the rich and poor at the time. We have started to make some good comparisons and been able to place different periods and events in history on timelines around The Tudors.

Soaring High

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

- Year F** Izzy and Lottie for independence in their morning writing - I love reading your news each morning and you always challenge yourself in your writing. Well done!
- Year 1** Amelia for showing fantastic teamwork and leadership skills during our challenge to build the models of landmarks this week. You really took the lead of your team and ensured that everybody had a role within it, well done!
Olivia, for being a fantastic role model, you also have a positive learning attitude and approach every task and activity with a growth mind-set. Well done!

- Year 2** Jessica for her determination this week. She always perseveres at tasks and takes her time to understand new facts. She used great teamwork to half, quarter and find thirds of numbers with her partner this week.
Toby for his great sentence writing in English. He has been really determined to learn and use the different types of sentences and enjoyed playing the games to try and understand them better. You worked well to complete the activity and tried your very best.
- Year 3** Isaac for showing determination and bravery in practising swimming outside of school. VERY PROUD of you!
Chloe – you were amazing during your assembly. You worked hard to remember your lines and showed determination in your Egyptian dance.
- Year 4** Taha for your growth mind-set towards your writing. This week you have found ways to improve your writing and acted on the advice given to you.
Fin for taking pride when writing your persuasive letter. You clearly understood the importance of finding ways to improve your work.
- Year 5** All of Year 5 for showing great determination and team work on their field trip! Well done Year 5.
- Year 6** Archie for a great spell to conjure a tempest! You made some great vocabulary choices and really brought to life the idea of the storm being formed. Well done, Archie.
Jenson for some amazing imagery in your tempest spell. You created a really clear picture of the forming storm and the effects of the different ingredients on the weather and sea. Well done, Jenson. A great, creative piece.

Well done everyone!

Tidy Tiger

This week Tidy Tiger goes to Year 3 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).