

# STOCKHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL THURSDAY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,



We have some new fluffy members of Stockham School! The Foundation class have enjoyed watching the first few chicks hatch and learning all about new life and spring!

# Dates for your diary

Friday 19th March -Red Nose day -



To celebrate Red Nose day this year the children can come to school dressed as a superhero, dressed in the colour red, colour their hair or face paint a red nose! The children will take part in activities during the day to find out why we raise money on Red Nose Day and who the money goes to. We will also be taking part in 'Jump start Jonny, do something funny for money and finish the day with a whole school Red Nose Day quiz in house point teams! Please see below for the link to the donations page – this goes straight through Parentpay directly to the Red Nose Day charity.

https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2486

**Thursday 18th March** (via zoom) to the Wonder of Space 1-2pm Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 **Tuesday 30th March** (via zoom) to the Wonder of Space 1-2pm Year 5 and Year 6 and 2-3pm Year 3 and Year 4

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March –** End of term 4 (12.00pm for Years F, 1, 5 and 6; 12.10pm for Years 2, 3, and 4)

Monday 19th April - Term 5 begins

**Week beginning Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April –** parent evenings via phone call or zoom. SEND Pupil profiles will also be shared and discussed during these times.

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Bank holiday Monday – school closed

**Friday 28**<sup>th</sup> **May** – End of term 5 (2.50, 3pm or 3.10pm)

Monday 7th June – Term 6 begins

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June and Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June – School inset days – school closed to children

### Dates further ahead

Friday 9th July – Friends of Stockham disco and BBQ

**Tuesday 13**<sup>th</sup> **July** – Sports day (Foundation and KS1 in the morning, KS2 in the afternoon). Let's hope we can have parents watching by then!

Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 leaver BBQ

**Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – School year ends for all children (12pm or 12.10pm)

Many thanks,

Mrs Ruth Burbank.

## Friends of Stockham update

## Stockham Goes Around the World

Have you signed up to join our whole school trip around the world yet? We will be starting our journey on Monday, and hope to get to London that day, so pledge your miles on the website below as soon as you can and then start building up your miles from next week.

To pledge your miles and find out more visit: <a href="http://www.stockhamgoesaroundtheworld.co.uk/">http://www.stockhamgoesaroundtheworld.co.uk/</a>

**FOLLOW FACEBOOK PAGE:** 

https://www.facebook.com/StockhamGoesAroundTheWorld

JOIN PRIVATE FACEBOOK PAGE (just for children and parents/guardians) here:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/stockhamgoesaroundtheworld

# Easter Egg hunt

Following the great success of the Halloween trail, FOS is arranging another trail for Easter which will be held on Sunday 11 April. Thank you to everybody who has offered to put a letter in their window so far, we could still do with a few more houses taking part (there is no need to be at home on the day, and no need to decorate for this one). Please can you let us know if you are able to take part by emailing friendsofstockham@gmail.com.

#### 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

## STOCKHAM GOES AROUND THE WORLD: UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has signed up so far and started the journey with us! We have raised nearly £1000 already this week!

We have travelled 1549 miles and travelled through LONDON, PARIS & ROME!

THIS WEEK We'll travel to EGYPT, ETHIOPIA - and we might even get to INDIA!

#### KS2 Parents

IMPORTANT: We have scrapped the 1 real mile: 1 virtual mile for Running/Cycling etc. We are keeping it simple 20 mins exercise = 6 virtual miles.

If this changes your pledge in any way, just drop us a message.

CONTACT Karen Malcolm (Y6), Justine Mannino (F) or Rebecca Sheather (F) if you have any questions.

Join the private facebook group and drop us a message here:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/stockhamgoesaroundtheworld

#### JOIN WHEN YOU LIKE

If you decide you want to join en route, just sign up when you're ready! We know many of you are just catching your breath after home schooling, so there is no pressure!

https://www.stockhamgoesaroundtheworld.co.uk/sign-up/

#### Class News

- **Year F** We have had a new arrival in Foundation this week, 10 eggs delivered on Monday and when we arrived at school on Wednesday most had hatched! We love watching the baby chicks and writing about them in our journals. We've also learned songs about chicks and done some chick paintings and drawings.
- **Year 1** Year 1 have started to look at letters in English. We have been looking at why we write letters and who we write them to, next week we are hoping to write some letters of our own. In maths we have been working very hard on our counting to 50, we have really loved our new counting song!
- Year 2 In Year 2 this week we have enjoyed reading Dragon Poems in our guided reading lessons and writing instructions for a dragon in our English lessons. The Rainbow Dragon actually seems to have been hiding out in our classroom! In maths we have continued to look at fractions and we are becoming experts at using the terms numerator and denominator. Ask us what these words mean at home!
- Year 3 This week we have been finding out more about changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. We have had a look at pictures of prehistoric cave paintings and have had a go at creating our own. In English we have practised using direct speech to write a conversation between a 21st century boy and Om from the Stone Age. In maths we have been dividing by using the 'bus stop' method.
- Year 4 This week Year 4 have been busy thinking about how our book 'The Lion and the Unicorn' might end. We have made some great predictions, based on what we have already read and then written our own endings. We are looking forward to seeing how close we have got to the original. In maths we have been continuing to learn about dividing and have moved onto thinking about dividing three-digit numbers. The place value counters have really helped us. We have been historians again this week and have learnt all about the Battle of Britain. We have also been thinking more about dealing with our feelings, especially our worries.
- **Year 5** Year 5 have been story mapping the story of Beowulf in English. In maths we have been looking at decimals and recapping addition and subtraction. In science we have been looking at chemical reactions and made some case casein plastics.

**Year 6** This week we have been exploring creative writing further, looking at describing our characters and our settings. We have also been researching different charities that are important to us and what they do for the community, in preparation for Red Nose Day on Friday. Another fantastic week in Year 6!

## **Soaring High**

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

- Year F Esmee for using her super listening learning powers to always listen carefully to instructions and being ready to learn all the time.
   Mollie for some great writing in her Chick journal, using all of her phonics knowledge to support her writing.
- Year 1 Rocco for really working hard on using his independence in the class room, all of the adults can see how hard you are working and you should feel really proud of yourself, well done!

  Dominic for some fabulous work on sentences, you really worked hard and tried your best. This set such a great example to the rest of the class. You should feel really proud of yourself, well done!
- Year 2 William for superb report writing. You showed such determination and independence throughout our writing lesson and produced a report written in paragraphs with excellent, interesting language. Great work!

  Arthur for showing increased levels of independence and perseverance in our maths lessons. You have shown just how much you can achieve when using your learning powers! Well done!
- Year 3 Harry B for confidence and independence in class, especially in English and maths lessons.
  Charlotte for an incredibly exciting story and accurate use of direct speech in English lessons this week. Well done!
- **Year 4** Eva for writing a superb letter during lockdown to Professor Sarah Gilbert, one of the doctors who has developed the Covid-19 vaccination, as part of our letter writing unit and for getting a brilliant reply back this week. Eva's letter has meant that Year 4 have been offered a video call from the department Professor Sarah works for.
  - Mia for working incredibly hard since coming back to school. She has tried particularly hard in maths and this has helped her to understand division this week. Mia is always so polite and helpful and is a delight to have back in the classroom. Well done, Mia.
- Year 5 Theo for using his independence in class and being very focused and finishing all his tasks in class!

  James for settling into Year 5 so well! Well done James.
- **Year 6** Georgia for being a fantastic role model in the classroom and using her learning powers every day. She has become so much more confident and it is an absolute pleasure to have her in class.
  - Alfie Ba for carrying on working really hard whilst isolating at home. I know it's been very difficult being away from his friends at school but his attitude towards his learning is impeccable. We can't wait to have you back!

Well done everyone!

#### **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.