



stockbridge

Primary and Pre-school



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Dear Parents,

Keeping children safe, in every aspect of their school life is the priority for every adult associated with school. There have been a lot of changes to safeguarding practices and it's always high on our agenda each week at staff meetings so that it is kept uppermost in our thinking and remains in our consciousness. At this time of year, Governors monitor safeguarding and, as part of the school's leadership team, they help to complete a safeguarding audit from Hampshire County. This annual check does rather focus the mind on our day to day systems and practices to ensure that we are all doing the same and that children really DO feel safe, otherwise it becomes assumed and that is not good enough at all!

Governor monitoring this week by two Governors, has shown that our safeguarding is a strong feature of our school and well embedded by everyone involved with the children as well as the children themselves. Children who spoke to Governors could all name an adult they would speak to should they be concerned about anything and could, in many circumstances, give an example of when this had been effective. They also felt school was safe – yay!

Kind regards,

Emma Jefferies
Headteacher

Stockbridge School Summer Sizzler

21st July at 5:30

FOSS will be hosting an End of Term BBQ for some fun in the (fingers crossed) sun!

This should be a fun evening for adults and children but we will be looking for lots of helpers for cooking, manning the bar, temporary tattoos, bouncy castle, and lots more! Please look out for notices to sign up for help on the evening, and any suggestions of activities and entertainment are welcomed.

We would love to have a parent band so any of you who play and would love a bit of a jam session on the night please let one of us know.

Emma Lambert on 07900 581 871

**Lego Batman movie,
Stockbridge Town Hall THIS
SUNDAY 2 showings: 2pm &
4.15pm**

**Tickets available from Miriam
White or
stockbridgecinema@gmail.com**



Walk to school week

Despite a quiet walking bus all week, there have been many more attempts at walking into school from a bit further away than normal – thank you for all the efforts with this as we know it adds time onto your morning. Children have been scooting, walking and cycling in from home and from further and further down the high street. Well done walkers!

INSET day next week

The last of our five INSET days will be NEXT FRIDAY.

INSET dates for next year will be announced after the half term.

Talent show

Hopefully you will have caught sight of the talent show poster that has appeared around school this week. We will be asking children to sign up for their act next week so that we can organize the week and have in concrete what children will be doing. I have had many excited Year 1s and 2s already tell me so I know there is a lot of planning going on already!

DIARY DATES

New dates are added each week in bold.

*means further details will be sent.

Date	Time	Event
May		
Fri 19 th	All day	Targets home
Sun 21 st	14:00 & 16:30	Stockbridge Cinema presents Lego Batman movie for all children
Wed 24 th	All day	Last piano lesson this term with Mrs Waters
Thurs 25 th	All day 4-5.30pm	Clatford class at Longleat Rounders match at Test Valley
Fri 26 th	All day	INSET day for school and pre-school
WHITSUN HOLIDAYS 29th May – 2nd June		
June		
Mon 5 th	08:50 14:30	Back to school and pre-school Talent show begins
Wed 7 th	4-5.30pm	Tri Golf competition Y3 & 4 team at Broughton
Thurs 8 th	9am	Church assembly – no busy bees
Sat 10 th	All day	Stockbridge Fete on the football grounds
Thurs 15 th	2.30pm	Transition #1 for new Year R children
Mon 19 th	1pm	Area sports for KS2 at King's Somborne
Tues 20 th	7pm	Parent Forum
Wed 21 st	2.30pm	Transition #2 for new Year R children
Fri 23 rd	All day 9am	Targets home for the last time Live Music concert for children – inspiration?!
23 rd & 24 th	All day	Flower festival in St Peter's Church – children will be exhibiting their work
Wed 28 th	2.30pm	Transition #3 for new Year R children
Thurs 29 th	All day	Year 3 & 4 Dance festival at Test Valley
July		
Tues 4 th	All day 9.15am	Year 6 Test Valley Transition day Transition #4 for new Year R children Moving up morning for all school children
Thurs 6 th	Am 9am	Mini first aid for parent's course Church assembly
Fri 7 th	15:15 18:00	Reports come home to parents Year 3 camp out on school field
Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th	All week, every morning	Year 4 swimming at Farleigh school – this is in preparation for their Year 5 residential and replaces the swimming at the now closed, Andover pool.
Wed 19 th	2.15pm Evening	Transition #5 for new Year R children Summer play
Thurs 20 th	All day	PROVISIONAL YEAR 6 TREAT DAY
Fri 21 st	Evening	Summer Sizzler
Mon 24 th	1pm	Sports day
Mon 24 th & Tues 25 th		Last 2 days of school in new classes for next year
Tues 25 th	11am 1pm	Leavers service and end of year picnic School closes at 1pm
Wed 26 th	All day	1 st day of holidays

School Council update

This Tuesday, Miss Tregunna and our KS2 school councillors attended a cluster wide event with school councillors from our seven cluster primaries plus councillors and the head boy and girl from Test Valley School.

The idea is that children who hold this responsible role in school all work together annually to understand their collective roles and share best practice.

James Howard and Katie Robinson write an account of their morning at Test Valley:-

When we arrived, all the children sat in two rows of chairs, facing each other. After we had chatted to the people opposite us, one row moved along two seats and we chatted to them. We did this until we had spoken to everybody there. We were then put into groups with people from different schools. We shared our ideas that we have had for things like fundraising and lunch time games and talked about how we can improve our school environment. Each school was given a copy of School Councillors Guidance rules. This will go onto our School Councillors notice board in the hall. We then had the opportunity to talk to some Test Valley students to ask them questions about the senior school and they also showed us the pool!

It was a really enjoyable morning.

pre-School news

To save pre-school parents a bit of time trawling through the whole newsletter, each week will have a dedicated 'pre-school' section in. Please do read the rest of the newsletter though as it's what your child will hopefully be moving into and there will be bits that are relevant for you.

Staffing

Thank you for bearing with us this week as we have had lots of staff illness which has been unfortunate but unavoidable.

You'll be pleased to know that Mrs McInnes begins working with us on Tuesday. She will be spending Monday in school with our Early Years team and going through policies and child protection briefings so that she is prepared for going into pre-school.

As there are only 4 days left until the end of term, we will reassign any children to key worker groups after half term if needs be.

Learning & playing

This week children have been thoroughly engrossed in creative crafts using glitter, pom poms, glue and feathers, making dens; rockets, army bases and castles and watching birds and noticing the nature around school.

