

Stockbridge

Primary and Pre-school



Newsletter 3

29 Sept 2017

Dear Parents,

What a week we've had in school – a lot of things going on and lots of new learning too. I have really enjoyed my time over the last fortnight teaching a little bit in Horsebridge and working alongside Mrs McClue who despite only being in class for a short amount of time, really gets to know each child and takes a full part in their social and emotional well being. There probably aren't many of you who know Mrs McClue that well because she is a busy bee on a Monday when she covers 4 out of 5 classes for teacher's PPA time. She is a real superstar and able to turn her hand to any age group and teach them really, really well. If you see her, please do say hi! In other good news, Miss Tregunna is back from jury service (thank goodness!) and Mr Butt is back from his operation so I'm delighted to report, we're all back to normal from Monday!

Kind regards,
Emma Jefferies

The lesser-spotted
Mrs McClue!



Newsletters will now come out to you FORTNIGHTLY!

Macmillan + Amazing Alice

What a massive effort and response we had to the bake off – thank you to each and every one of you for the huge effort you put into baking all the wonderful cakes for this morning. Debbie Razza, Alice's mum from the 'Amazing Alice' charity, really had her work cut out – imagine having to taste almost 50 cakes!!!

We had 3 amazing winners and a highly commended cupcake!

Mrs Holdich won the staff award
Abbeygail Lewis won the children's award
Anne Sambo won the parent's award
And

A special mention for Libby Lamb's cupcakes which Debbie thought were the best ones she'd ever tasted!

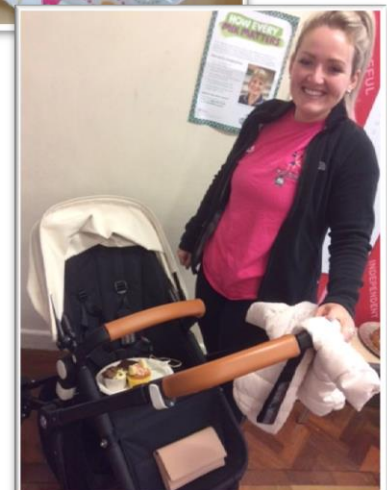
THANKYOU TO ALL WHO CAME & SUPPORTED AND THE SCHOOL COUNCIL WHO WERE A FABULOUS HELP!

We've raised over £300 with more to come!

Special thanks to Shawn, Kelly & Diane who helped so much to organize, drum up support and sell.



Frankie's mum swapped the baby for cakes!!



Congratulations to the kitchen team!

A couple of weeks ago, our school kitchen had a surprise visit from the Environmental Health Officer as part of their 3 year checking process and I'm delighted to report we passed with the full 5 stars!

Massive congratulations to Shawn & Kelly.

DIARY DATES

New dates are added each week in bold.

*means further details will be sent.

Date	Time	Event
SEPTEMBER		
Fri 29 th	09:00	Macmillan coffee morning & bake off
OCTOBER		
Mon 2 nd	12noon	YR parents invited in for lunch all week
Wed 4 th	16:00	Cross Country at Test Valley
Wed 11 th	09:00-12:00	OPEN MORNING
Tues 17 th	15:30-17:45	Parents evening #1
Wed 18 th	17:00-19:45	Parents evening #2
Thurs 19 th	All day	INSET (school & pre-school)
Fri 20 th	All day	INSET (school & pre-school)
Mon 23 rd – Sun 29 th	All week	OCTOBER HALF TERM
NOVEMBER		
w/b 20 th	Y6 trip to Wales with Mrs Jefferies & Miss Caws	
Wed 23 rd	All day	Year R height & weight monitoring
DECEMBER		
Fri 1 st	15:15 17:00	Decorate the school for Christmas Xmas on the High Street – Christingle service
Sat 2 nd	15:00	Stockbridge Cinema – Despicable Me 3
Fri 15 th	18:15	KS1 Nativity Performance in Church
Mon 18 th	18:30	KS2 Carol service
Tues 19 th	12:00	Christmas school dinner
Thurs 21 st	Last day of school – panto in Salisbury in the afternoon	
Fri 22 nd Dec – Wed 3 rd Jan	Christmas holidays	
JANUARY		
Thurs 4 th	All day	INSET (school & pre-school)
Fri 5 th	All day	INSET (school & pre-school)

Christmas

Yay! Much to Miss T's disgust (!) I have now mentioned the word 'Christmas and it's only September!

Above are the key dates for December in school. Please make sure you have these firmly fixed in your diary!

Year R reading meeting

Children in Year R have just this week started to learn their sounds in phonics lessons. Very soon, they will be reading! As your child takes this monumental step forwards, please join Miss Kirkham and Mrs Hutchinson on **Wednesday morning next week (4th Oct) during busy bees** to hear how we will be transitioning your child into becoming a reader and how we ask you to support them at home. Please do try to send someone along even if you can't make it!

Nurse visits

November is a busy month for our school nurse team. They will be in school on 23 November for Year R height and weight monitoring, they'll be in earlier for Year 6. You should have received a letter about this already which **MUST** be returned whether you wish them to see your child or not. Earlier in the month on 6 November, the team will also be in for Years R-4 for their nasal flu spray. More information about this in future newsletters.

Money post box



Having been around the office this week on a morning, it has been absolutely manic with lots of people paying in trip money, dinner money etc. If you wanted to have a quiet word about funding or your child's health, it certainly wouldn't have been a good environment.

So...we've introduced a new post box specifically for **monies** and **reply slips** as we also know that children's book bags have a knack of 'eating' these kinds of things!

NO MONEY SHOULD BE HANDED INTO THE OFFICE (*unless it's more than £20 – this should come directly inside as it's a substantial amount of money*).

There are envelopes on the front of the post box and an example of the details we need on the envelopes to guarantee we can assign money to the right child;

- Child's name
- Amount of money
- What it's for

Parent Governor

After a relatively short nomination period, I am delighted to inform you that Miriam White will go forward at the next Full Governing Body meeting and be nominated as your parent governor representative.

Miriam has Jack in pre-school, Joshua in Year 1 and Reuben in Year 3 as well as running Clubhouse, our after school provision.

She, along with James McConnachie, represent you on the Governing Body board which has a huge input into the strategic direction of the school.

The Governors will meet as a whole body on Wednesday next week and write for you in the following week's newsletter to keep you up to date with their priorities for the year.

Photographs

Your child's individual photograph will be taken in school on Thursday 16 November.

These will be with you promptly afterwards in plenty of time for Christmas.

Marwell trip

You should have received a letter about a Marwell trip for Years 1, 2 & 3. I know many of you have been to Marwell over the summer but we are able to access educational workshops whilst there and tie our classwork on deadly 60 specifically to their exhibits so no fear, it will be a different experience!

Fun Run on Wednesday

If your child is only taking part in the fun run on Wednesday at Test Valley (Years 3-6), you won't need to be there until about 4.30pm.