Stockbridge Primary and Pre-school



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New topics!

Children have returned to school and are straight back into the swing of learning with a real focus on their new topics;

Sprat & Winkle are learning all about bonfire night this week and move onto birds in the next fortnight.

Lower school (Redbridge & **Horsebridge)** are focusing on light which has been a super topic to start on bonfire night week! **Upper school (Mottisfont & Clatford)** are already taking their 'Out of this world' topic seriously - I walked into both classrooms this week to find children scattered all over the classrooms on the floor, tables and in the corridor all investigating light in their science topic! To say they were focused and 'in the flow' of learning would be an understatement.

Many of you came to the parent briefings last term so will already know a bit about the topics children are studying but there's even more information on the topic maps which are coming home with this newsletter tonight.

We have no parent's evenings planned now until February but this doesn't mean teachers can't meet with you! If you would like a bit of time with your child's class teacher, please do book a time with them so that you can sit down and properly discuss any queries.





Coming Up!

The online calendar on the school website is completely up to date right through until Easter. This is a useful go to place for long term dates.

| Sun 10th | 09:00 | Year 6 children in Church for Remembrance Day |
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| Mon 11 th | 11:00 | Whole school at memorial for Remembrance Day |
| | All day | e-safety teaching day |
| Tues 12 th | 19:00 | Public meeting about traffic safety & road changes |
| Thurs 14 th | All day | School has no internet – please don't email! |
| | 19:30 | FOSS meeting |
| Fri 15 th | All day | Children in Need – wacky hair day |
| | 09:00 | Celebration assembly |
| Tues 19 th | 09:00 | Individual and sibling photos – great Christmas |
| | | presents! |
| Mon 18 th | 13:30 | INFilm viewing in the Town Hall |
| Wed 20 th | All day | Sprat & Winkle trip to Hawk Conservancy |
| | 18:00 | Presentation to the school of a donation from |
| | | Trout n'About |
| Fri 22 nd | All day | Upper school Planetarium trip |

Happy news!

I'm sure you will all join us in offering our congratulations to Miss Kirkham who got engaged with a surprise beach proposal a few weeks before half term – we're very excited for her wedding in April when she'll become Mrs Cooper!

Sponsored Welly Walk

On Wed 27th November, we will be celebrating the end of the autumn by undertaking a sponsored welly walk all the way along the Test Way to the Mayfly pub. Pick up that day will be from the Mayfly car park. Monies raised will go towards improving our non-fiction books in the library as we have a continued push to develop reading in school – a life long skill.

5 star!

Well done to Shawn & Kelly in the kitchen who kept their 5* rating when they were inspected recently. We never know when the EHO is coming.

Before school

Children may be on the playground from 8.35am where a member of staff will be on duty. We do not have enough staff to check and supervise the trim trail and adventure play on a morning so please ensure no children are using it – even if you are there to oversee!





DIARY DATES

New dates are added each week in bold. *means further details will be sent.

| Data | T: | Frank | |
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| Date | Time | Event | |
| OCTOBER ½ TERM | | | |
| NOVEMBER | | | |
| Sun 10th | 09:00 | Year 6 children in Church for Remembrance | |
| | | Day | |
| Mon 11 th | 11:00 | Whole school at memorial for Remembrance | |
| | | Day | |
| | All day | e-safety teaching day | |
| | 16:00 | Kurling for Year 3/4 | |
| Tues 12 th | 19:00 | Public meeting about traffic safety & road | |
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| Thurs 14 th | All day | School has no internet – please don't email! | |
| | 16:00 | Kurling for Year 1/2 | |
| | 19:30 | FOSS meeting | |
| Fri 15 th | All day | Children in Need day | |
| Mon 18 th | 13:30 | INfilm event, Town Hall, KS2 | |
| Tues 19 th | 09:00 | Individual and sibling photos | |
| Tues 26 th | 13:00 | Football Competition at Wallop | |
| Wed 27 th | Pm | Welly Walk | |
| DECEMBER | | | |
| Fri 6 th | 15:30 | Carols around the tree | |
| Sat 7 th | All day | Stockbridge Christmas event – trees for sale | |
| Thurs 12 th | 14:15 | Pre-School nativity | |
| Fri 13 th | 14:00 | KS1 Nativity in the Church | |
| | 18:00 | | |
| Mon 16 th | 18:00 | KS2 Carol Concert in the Church | |
| Tues 17 th | 12:00 | Christmas lunch | |
| Wed 18 th | 12:00 | Pre-School Christmas party – all welcome | |
| Fri 20 th | 10:00 | Panto | |
| | 13:00 | School finishes for school | |

Perfect Partners

We'd all like to say a huge thank you to all of you who have been busy posting your news on Tapestry (Sprat & Winkle parents) or commenting or liking Class Dojo posts – all teachers are reporting a much higher user response and it's so rewarding for your child if they know you've seen their work on Dojo mid-way through the day. Working in partnership will have the best results for your child. Thanks!

CASINO NIGHT SAT 16 NOVEMBER 2019 AT THE GREYHOUND ON THE TEST IN SUPPORT OF STOCKBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL BOOK YOUR WINNING TICKET! INFOOTHEGREYHOUNDONTHETEST.CO.UK

e-safety

A vital part of your child's education is how to keep safe online – the benefits of being online outweigh the negatives as long as we all use it wisely and safely and this is what regular e-safety learning is all about. Your child will be learning about the following aspects of e-safety on Monday next week. **DO talk to them about it**. Encourage them to share what they know. We revisit e-safety throughout each term and especially on the first Monday after a half term usually and we'll always let you know what they've been learning.

Year R - Safety in my online neighbourhood - how we keep safe in our locality and how we can replicate this online by eg not talking to people we don't know, not going to visit places without an adult knowing where we are

Year 1/2 - Pause and think online - what information should we share online and what personal information is

Year 2/3 - That's Private, Digital trails - what personal information is and what we should share online and we will also learn about digital footprints

Year 4/5 - Google - Think before you share - and Private and personal information - what should we share and how to talk to people safely online

Year 5/6 - Google - Think before you share - Chatting safely online / Don't feed the Phish - as year 4/5 but also a little bit of work on phishing and how to identify a scam and what to do about it

Best question to ask your child this week....

This weekend, try asking your children,

"what's the most interesting thing you've learnt today?"

Cricket craziness!

Lower school children have absolutely loved their cricket teaching with James Hibberd, the area's cricket coach. Many of you have asked about cricket clubs to join. James has sent through this link to sign up to 'All Star's for 5-8 year olds – it looks like a great package: https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars

Kurling Krazy in the next fortnight

We have 2 very exciting kurling competitions to go to in the next fortnight; 1 for Year 3/4 and 1 for Year 1/2 – both of these are REALLY exciting as they mark a move forwards in our sports provision by introducing cluster competitions against other schools to our sport programme.

If your child is chosen to represent the school, you should already have received a letter – please make sure the slip is returned to school asap.

A book at bedtime - the best way to round off each day!

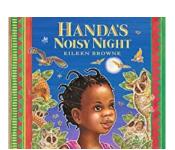
We all know that reading with our child sets them up for life. Many studies show the impact that books and reading have on the life chances of a child. Reading is primarily about gathering and understanding new vocabulary and the more vocabulary a child has, the better they will do in life. FACT!

However, you might recently have picked up on research that has found 65 % of parents allow their children time on phones, tablets, You Tube or television instead of enjoying a bedtime story together.

I'm sure this is not a Stockbridge statistic!

However, in a move to champion the bedtime story, here are a few new books for that special time with your children.

For our "tinies" Handa's noisy night



"Middlies" Freddie's amazing bakery; the great raspberry mix-ap



Oar older children Frostheart



If you'd like any more suggestions, please do speak with your child's class teacher or Mrs Haghes, our Literacy leader, all of whom will be happy to give you recommendations.

