



Stockbridge

Primary and Pre-school



Newsletter 24

THE FINAL ONE OF THE YEAR

13 July 2020



Farewells

Farewell to our amazing Year 6 who have demonstrated great resilience and fortitude in the last 6 weeks in coming back to school knowing that their last weeks at Primary will not be anything like they had imagined. They've made the very best of a bad situation and risen to the challenge superbly.

Also, we are saying farewell to Daisy and Daniel who are off to Wallop where their mum works, Mary who will join her big sister and little brother at Westgate following the family's move to Winchester, William M who is off to join his brother at Farleigh and William A who will forge a new path of his own at Ludgrove.

We wish you all a very happy future and know that you'll be real assets to your new schools, we are so sad to see all of you go but know we must say goodbye for now.

A final word...

As well as our farewells to children, we are also saying farewell to Mrs Hughes and Mrs Hutchinson

If your child has ever been taught by either of these phenomenal ladies, they are very lucky. They have been with me here almost from the start of my time as Headteacher and been a huge part of our journey to date. The legacies they leave behind are with the subjects they have led, the children and families they have worked with and colleagues who have been guided and supported by them. What they have both brought to our school is passion for their job, the ability to keep the children at the heart of all they do and an unmatched enthusiasm for everything Stockbridge. I dread to think of all the hours they've selflessly given to making sure your children get the very best and I know you will join me in a huge thankyou to both of them – we wish them all the very best for their new adventures.

Mrs Whittington is also heading off on maternity and is now only 2 and a half weeks away from her due date – how exciting! We know she'll be a brilliant mum and, with the hot weather forecast this week, will be very glad to give birth!!

Although they are 'behind the scenes', I'd like to thank our school governors, who have helped guide, challenge and support me, throughout COVID particularly. They always have your child's best interests and heart and lead with great moral purpose. We have had many short-notice zoom meetings to agree risk assessments and policies, undertaken four recruitments yet they always show up with a smile on their face, willing to enter into the school's strategic future.

At the end of this very peculiar year, I cannot end without saying a huge thankyou to you at home. Your role as parents has morphed, in the last few months, into teachers too and I know for many, trying to work from home, look after children, keep the house going and stop everyone from being bored and grumpy must have seemed an insurmountable challenge. Thankyou for bearing with us as we got online learning going, for reading and adhering to guidance to be back into school. I hope September will bring a little respite!

My final words for this academic year are for my simply amazing staff team who have unfailingly been there for all families and have managed to keep our 'Stockbridge Spirit' up even on the darkest of days. They've had to learn from scratch an entire online learning platform, they've made phone calls to children and parents to offer support, they've selflessly come into school, putting themselves and their families at risk, they've undertaken jobs not within their remit, moved classrooms at least twice and always, always, with good humour and a true sense of collaboration.

Thankyou one and all. Have a super summer!

Mrs Jefferies

Headteacher

September – new guidelines

Our doors will open for children on Monday 7th September. Coming to school from September is no longer optional or open to certain year groups. EVERY child is expected back. Year R children who are joining us from September have their own separate set of dates for return.

Please ensure they bring the following to school on that day:

- a red school Bookbag (not a rucksack)
- the correct uniform, including school shoes, not trainers.
- Packed lunch if they would normally have a packed lunch. Cooked dinners will be available each day. **Please bring in a lunchbox that is clearly named on the outside.**
- PE Kit – all named and labelled. Please check what you have meets school regulations – see our website. **Please bring in a PE drawstring bag, not a rucksack. Please name it on the OUTSIDE.**
- Sunhat – named and labelled
- Suncream – named and labelled
- Any reading books or other school books you have at home.

I cannot stress how important it is to have EVERYTHING labelled – with COVID still present in our society, we cannot hold lost property and want every item of clothing to be returned to its rightful owner, including socks, pants and trainers!

We do not need to collect in any work that they might have been done over lockdown so please do not send it in. We have to limit the amount of equipment which comes in from home.

We will provide:

- a named water bottle for every child
- a pencil case containing all they need for learning
- waterproofs
- wellies
- spare clothes in case of accidents

Start times and leaving times are staggered as follows and there won't be any opportunity (at least to begin with) to gather on the playground – children will come straight into the school building:

START TIMES

8.30 – 8.40am	8.40am – 8.50am	8.50am – 9.00am
Surnames A-G	Surnames H – N	Surnames O - Z

LEAVE TIMES

3pm – 3.10pm	3.10pm – 3.20pm	3.20pm – 3.30pm
Surnames A-G	Surnames H – N	Surnames O - Z

If you are late for either drop off or pick up, please ring the school office who will tell you what time you will be able to come on site from. You won't be able to come in during the next surname 'bubble'. This helps us comply with the Government regulations of limiting numbers onto site.

Entrances for drop offs and pick ups:

	Sprat and Winkle	Redbridge	Kimbridge	Horsebridge	Mottisfont	Fullerton	Clatford
	White Hart gate Sliding door under the porch	Back door to classroom	Old girl's entrance in the red scooter pod courtyard	Back door to classroom	Main door at reception	Hall door	Main door at reception

At the end of the day, please don't linger, we will not be able to release the next group of children if the majority of families are still on site.

- Breakfast Club will run from 7.45am – 8.30am at a cost of £4. Mrs Devereux is coming to run it 3 times a week on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays to provide an even more active start to the day.
- Clubhouse will run from 3.30pm until 6pm every day of the week and is bookable with Miriam (see our website)
- Sarah Seymour (piano teacher) is going to continue piano remotely until at least October half term.
- Kev Rees (guitar & ukulele teacher) will be resuming in school lessons from w/b 14th Sept. More details in Sept.

THERE WILL BE NO OTHER CLUBS IN THE FIRST HALF TERM TO LIMIT THE NUMBERS OF CHILDREN FROM DIFFERENT CLASSES MIXING TOGETHER.

Staff and class organization:

	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	Sprat and Winkle	Redbridge	Kimbridge	Horsebridge	Mottisfont	Fullerton	Clatford
Teacher	Miss Kirkham	TBC	Mrs Le Fevre	Miss Tregunna	Mrs Natt	Mrs McClue (M-Th), Mrs Burnand (Fri)	Miss Caws
LSA	Mrs McInnes	Miss Palk	Mrs Hanham	Mrs Holden	Mrs Holdich	Mrs Lee	Mrs Burnand (M-Th)

Key dates last week of term

Date	Time	What's happening?
Mon 13 th		
Tues 14 th	Am	Mrs Jefferies in for Miss Palk
Wed 15 th	1pm	Y6 treat trip
Thurs 16 th		
Fri 17 th	11am	Leaver's assembly – broadcast on Google Classroom
LAST DAY OF TERM		
Thurs 3 rd Sept		INSET Day
Fri 4 th Sept		INSET Day
Mon 7 th	8.30am	School starts for 2020-21 Home visits all week for new YR
Mon 14 th	8.30am	School sessions for new YR

Fiver challenge

Thankyou to all who supported our Year 6s with their fiver challenge. By making a purchase, you helped them to realise their entrepreneurial dreams!!

Each child is given £5 and teams up with at least 1 other to create a business and make their £5 'grow' – this year, they had to undertake a 'dragon's den' with Mrs Lee & I.

They have learnt about turnover, profit and loss and the real costs of producing goods as well as advertising and sales.

Their total profit is yet to be calculated after a final sales flurry on Friday.

Mrs Devereux's new challenge

Dust down your scooters! Pump up your bike tyres! Stretch those calf muscles! Check that swimming costume still fits! We remain in the lead but the other schools are closing in on us! Let's have a final push and see if we can complete the Route 66 challenge by Friday at the end of term.

Email Mrs D daily by 8pm with km completed each day.

cathy@lionsinthecommunity.com

Leavers assembly

A big part of the 'rite of passage' of leaving Stockbridge is the leavers assembly which we will be posting on Google Classroom to all who would like to watch on FRIDAY AT 11AM. We are recording it for the first time this year and will sit with Year 6 in their classroom and watch it back at that time – why not join us remotely?

Sports Day

We had a super sports day on Friday both virtually and in real life. Congratulations to the Red family who triumphed and a massive well done to all who took part at home with improvised items! We loved seeing your photos. Miss T has shared show of them on Google Classroom on Friday's stream.

New Year 1 teacher

To my complete surprise, we've had an overwhelming response to this post advertisement and will be interviewing candidates early this week. I will communicate the outcomes with current Year R parents and children as soon as I possibly can.

I apologise for the delay – Hampshire's teaching vacancy website crashed the day after we advertised the post.

INSET days 2020-21

These are teacher training days where school will be closed for children.

Thursday 3rd September 2020

Friday 4th September 2020

Monday 2nd November 2020

Monday 22nd February 2021

Thursday 1st April 2021

