



stockbridge

Primary and Pre-school



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Bothered?

We know that as we come out of the pandemic, everyone will have had very different experiences and have been successful at home learning, keeping safe and healthy and having happy minds to varying degrees. We also know that settling back into school hasn't been easy for some. The routines, expectations and changes that are coming with Year 2 joining their new classes and Mrs West leaving at half term will be further change.

The focus of our assemblies this term is friendship and collaboration along with the school value of respect. This ties in with the focus from the Jigsaw units all about relationships. We'll be highlighting how to be a good friend, what's great about you that you offer to others and also what to do to mend a friendship when it all goes a bit wrong because, like it or not, this will happen at some point.

We have resurrected a 'bother box' just outside my office in which children can leave me a little note about what's bothering them. Whilst not anonymous (so we can respond and help your child deal with their bothers), it does take away the pressure of finding an adult and saying it aloud – not everyone likes to do this.

We've had some interesting bothers this week that we're already helping children to navigate. If they come home worrying about anything from school or at home, please do encourage them to talk to an adult or put a bother in the bother box where it will be taken seriously.

Emma Jefferies
Headteacher



Relationships & PSHE (RPSHE) consultation outcome

Huge thanks to those who attended our consultation meeting yesterday. We discussed how the new Relationships & Personal, Social and Health Education has the new strand of Relationships within it and covers not just your relationship with others but the one you have with yourself – the element around wellbeing and mental health.

We looked at the most contentious issues that arise within the new curriculum and how they are tackled in school. We have attached an overview of some of the coverage required in the new curriculum which shows clearly the split between the health aspect and the relationships aspect of the curriculum.

What we did all agree going forwards was to communicate the RPSHE element of the curriculum with parents AHEAD of its delivery via the following channels:

- Whole school overview in the first newsletter of each half term
- A 'heads up' on Dojo in the weeks when things are going to be covered which may raise questions at home
- A particular RPSHE focus in our 'Meet the teacher' sessions which will resume in September.

In newsletter 28, I detailed what each year group will be learning this half term and we'll detail next terms in line with the terms agreed above.

GROUNDS WORKING PARTY – TOMORROW!

Yes, come rain or shine, we'll be out sorting and tidying, planting and sorting in our grounds on Saturday 13th May from 10am – 12noon and would love all the help we can get please!

Hot drinks and a snack will be on offer and hopefully we'll have it all looking spick and span for Monday. By doing things like this, we are able to divert money saved into resources and opportunities for the children. Thank you in advance!

Coming Up!

Each week in the newsletter, we post the most important dates for the forthcoming term.

NEXT WEEK		
SAT 15 TH	10-12	GROUNDS WORKING PARTY – ALL HELP VERY MUCH APPRECIATED!
WEEK AFTER		
Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st		Bikeability for Year 6

Fudge update

It's been a quiet week on the Fudge front as she's had her annual injections and has to stay home for a day or two after having them. However, she did pay a visit and spent some time hearing children read. Mrs Holdich, with the help of some Year 4 children, has been teaching her to 'choose' a book for children to read or a card for them to explore in the THRIVE room. Great job on the Smarties challenge – we've currently raised £388.16!

4 marathons in 40 weeks!

Mr Howard (Olivia, Jack, Thomas and Max's dad) is running 4 marathons in 40 weeks to help raise money for Cancer research. In a year where fundraising for charities has been supremely hard, this is a great cause. If you feel that you would like to donate to help James along on his next marathon attempt this Sunday, please do donate:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/4-marathons-x-10-weeks-40th>

GOOD LUCK JAMES THIS WEEKEND!

DIARY DATES

Please note: Dates for the summer term are in the diary but may be subject to change due to Government easing of restrictions.

Date	Time	Event
MAY		
Fri 14 th	All day	Bikeability FIX for Years 5 & 6 in Mft & Cfd
SAT 15th	10-12	GROUNDWORKS WORKING PARTY – ALL HELP VERY MUCH APPRECIATED! POSTPONED
Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st	All week	Bikeability for Year 6
Mon 24 th – Fri 28 th	2-3pm daily	Years 1, 2 & 3 transitioning to their new classes for after May half term – more details later
Fri 28 th	All day	Year 6 fiver challenge begins
WHITSUN HALF TERM		
Mon 7 th June	8.45am	Back to school for all
Wed 9 th	All day	Dragons den for Year 6 fiver projects
Fri 11 th	By 3.15pm	Leavers book done and off to the printers
Thurs 17 th & Fri 18 th	In day	Fiver challenge market – all goods for sale
Thurs 17 th	8pm	FOSS meeting on zoom.
Mon 21 st – Thurs 24 th		WALES RESIDENTIAL YEAR 6
Tues 22 nd	All day	Year 5 at Test Valley
Tues 6 th July	10-12	Moving up morning – children meet next year's teacher
Wed 7 th & Thurs 8 th	Overnight	Year 5 at Calshot for missed residential
Fri 9 th	6pm	Year 3 campout
Thurs 15 th	6.30pm	Summer play for Upper School
Fri 16 th	All day	Year 6 end of year trip out
Mon 19 th	9am	Sports day morning only
Fri 23 rd	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR 2020-21	
	11am	Leaver's service
	1pm	End of Year for all
SUMMER HOLIDAYS		

Pre-School places

We have started to book children in for September sessions and will be taking 2 year olds after May half term on Monday, Wednesday & Friday afternoons from 12.30pm – 3pm. If you or someone you know has a 2 year old who would benefit from sessions in pre-school for socialisation, talk or just to give you a break, please be in touch with the school office.

Another cyclepod

During half term week, we will be having a second cycle & scooter pod fitted just inside the gate from the White Hart. This will double the number of cycles and scooters that can be left at school safely during the day.

The pod, worth £1400 is being funded by Hampshire's Travel to School department and we're so chuffed to have a second one on site.



Ours will be just like this (but red of course!) and placed on grass with the matting in place to allow grass to grow through in time.

Piano & guitar lessons

Piano and guitar lessons will restart after May half term.

Sarah Seymour will once again be in school on Wednesday and Friday mornings for lessons. They are open to Years 2-6 and are 1:1 on our new school piano. They are £15 per half hour, payable to her half termly in advance. There is the opportunity for a 'pay on the day' taster session in the first week after the half term.

Kevin Rees will be back with guitar and ukulele too. His lessons are £7 per half hour for a small group lesson. We had over a third of the school learning an instrument in the Autumn term 2020. Let's get back to it!

Book/register interest by emailing:
adminoffice@stockbridge.hants.sch.uk

Attachments with the newsletter this week:

- WALES LETTER FOR YEAR 6 PARENTS – very important – change of date!
- FOSS newsletter – please make sure you've got the date for the next meeting: 17th June 8pm on zoom
- Test Valley School news
- Relationships & PSHE overview of the new curriculum
- Lions in the Community soccer school for half term
- Please watch out for club returns this week and next