



stockbridge

Primary and Pre-school



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A momentous week

I feel like this week has been particularly momentous as we have seen a return of some of the things we used to call 'normal'!

Clubs have returned and I know that the children have been tired at the end of the day but also enjoyed this different aspect to school life. Teachers have enjoyed getting to know children in a different context too.

Music lessons have returned which is such a brilliant additional 'string to the children's bows' so to speak. Both Kev (guitar) and Sarah (piano) were delighted to be back. Both are LFT testing before coming into school and ensuring they work safely when with children. I don't think I've seen Kev smile as much and both were delighted to move back to face to face learning after keeping lessons going on zoom for the last 18 months.

Both still have spaces if you would like your child to learn an instrument from Year 2 up.

The hustle and bustle of morning playground has taken a while for all of us to get used; the children were very overawed on Monday morning at the noise and busy-ness but have got used to it all remarkably well. They have coped admirably with all the changes so far to their school life, I am so impressed!

Let's have everything crossed for a healthy and safe remaining 6 weeks of this academic year.

Emma Jefferies
Headteacher



Don't worry – the photos were better than this!! Class photos will be out with you in the next few weeks. We just couldn't resist a cheeky face one!!

Coming Up!

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

NEXT WEEK		
Sunday 13 th		All age church service at St Peter's, High St
All week		Scoot to school challenge
Thurs 17 th	20:00	FOSS meeting online
Thurs 17 th & Fri 18 th	All day	Fiver challenge market
Fri 18 th	15:15	Letter home to Year R parents re: DEST test
WEEK AFTER		
All week	Hopefully!	Depending on the Govt. announcement, we should be in Wales for Year 6 residential!



Pick up promptly please

School ends at 3.15pm for all children. Please make sure you are here to pick up at that time, we have too many children still on site at 3.25pm. This is worrying for your child as they don't know where you are and sometimes, neither do we! If your child is attending clubhouse, please ensure they are booked in and know they are going.

e-safety reminder

We have experienced a number of children discussing tiktok and gaming this week – all of which are well outside our children's age range of appropriateness.

Games with a rating of 12+ and apps such as tiktok are designed for older children who are able to understand and discriminate between content which is appropriate and not. Frankly, children we have talked to this week have said that they have been frightened by what they've been playing/seen but because their parents do it, they perceive it to be OK.

I hope the video link, attached to this week's newsletter email is a useful reminder of who children have access to online and that this is wholly inappropriate for children of primary age.

e-safety lessons

This half term started with a whole school focus on E-safety following the theme of copyright and ownership. Some children learnt how to make safe searches using the child friendly search engine 'swiggle.org.uk' and how to use this as a way of finding material that is free to use. They revised how material can be accessed online but that it is not all free to be copied and used by others. The children learnt how to identify online material that is copyright free by using websites such as pixabay.

Scooter and cycle pod

You've probably noticed our sparkly new signage around the site and the rather lovely looking scooter pod near the White Hart gate. Children can now park their scooters and bikes in this pod AND the old pod in the courtyard in Old London Road.

However, the new pod is near the unlocked gate onto the main road so I would recommend padlocking your scooter/bike up when leaving it in this pod. There are obvious places on the pod itself for you to put a chain or bike lock into. Anything left in these pods is at your own risk and all we can do is recommend this as good practice for your children to understand.

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
WHITSUN HALF TERM		
Fri 11 th	By 3.15pm	Leavers book done and off to the printers
Mon 14 th	All week	Scoot to school week
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	pm	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		

Summer uniform

The sun has been on our side this week and looks set to continue for a while longer. Summer uniforms are in full force so I thought a useful reminder might help:

- Summer dresses of red & white gingham can now be worn.
- Grey shorts can be worn by girls and boys.
- Summer PE kits mean no more trousers or leggings for PE please. Red logo t-shirts to be worn by all and navy or black shorts please.
- Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back please
- Earrings should only be studs and will need to be covered with a plaster or micropore tape for PE.

Chicks

Two beautiful bantam chicks have taken up residence in our hen house and are gradually finding their (fluffy) feet! We need names for them so thinking caps on! A competition will start on Monday.

Musician of the week

Our musician of the week this is GARY BARLOW! He's not only a singer but a songwriter and we know we have many children who wish to follow in his footsteps. We're hoping for inspiration for all!



Attachments with the newsletter this week:

- Lions in the Community (Mrs Devereux) summer soccer school - book a place now!
- Scoot to school information
- Summer at Stockbridge dates (sending home again in case last week's went missing! Nothing has changed though so don't fear!)



Summer at Stockbridge

Date	Event	Year group involved	Information
w/b 14 th June	Scoot to school challenge	All	Please see post attached with newsletter 32.
Thurs 17 th June	Fiver Challenge market day	All	Year 6 will be selling their wares at lunchtime. All children can purchase – please send in with no more than £5.
	FOSS meeting	8pm	Virtual meeting to sort fundraising for this term and plan out next year's FOSS calendar. All welcome.
Fri 18 th June	Fiver Challenge market day	All	Year 6 will be selling their wares at lunchtime. All children can purchase – please send in with no more than £5.
	Miss Bolton & Miss Stevens last day	Clatford & Horsebridge	Time to say bye and wish our student teachers well!
w/b 21 st June	Wales residential	Year 6	Mrs Jefferies, Mrs Holdich, Miss Caws and Mrs Cooper will be off to Wales – Mrs McClue will cover Sprat & Winkle
Tues 22 nd June	Taster day at Test Valley School	Year 5	Mrs Burnand and Mrs Lee will escort Year 5 to Test Valley School for an exciting taster day
w/b 28 th June	DEST testing	Year R	Mrs Jefferies and Miss Palk will work with each Year R child to undertake an early literacy screen – more details to follow to Year R parents after half term.
Tues 29 th June	Parent's Evening	All	Please book your slot. If you don't receive email confirmation after booking, let Mrs R-S know in the office and she'll check your slot is booked.
Wed 30 th June	King's School induction day	Year 6	Year 6 parents will receive information from King's School directly.
	Parent's Evening	All	Please book your slot. If you don't receive email confirmation after booking, let Mrs R-S know in the office and she'll check your slot is booked.
	Sing Up day!	All	In recognition of our growing music curriculum, we will be singing all day! Watch out!
Monday 5 th July	LSA training	All	All our LSAs will be out of school on this day undertaking maths training.
Tues 6 th July	Moving on morning	All	For the morning, children will transition into their new classes with their new teachers. Letters home at 3.15pm with child's class for next year.
Wed 7 th & Thurs 8 th	Calshot residential	Year 5	Details to follow on the first day back after half term.
	Henry Beaufort Induction day	Year 6	Year 6 parents will receive information from Henry Beaufort School directly.
Fri 9 th July	Camp out residential	Year 3	Details to follow on the first day back after half term.
Monday 12 th July	Test Valley School evening	Year 6 parents	If your child is heading off to Test Valley in September, this evening's details should have come to you already.
Tuesday 13 th July	Test Valley School induction day	Year 6	Year 6 parents will receive information from Test Valley School directly.
Thursday 15 th July	School Summer Play – PETER PAN	Upper School	This year our play will be 'live' and outside from 6.30pm. It'll be a socially distanced play with a difference!
Fri 16 th July	Year 6 afternoon out	Year 6	Our annual 'celebration' of Year 6 – cycle to Chilbolton and afternoon tea with rounders
Mon 19 th July	Sports day (morning only)	Whole School	This will be a children only event again this year. Photos posted on the school website
Fri 23 rd July	Leaver's assembly	Year 6	Socially distanced assembly to Year 6 parents only outside.
	Leave for end of term	Whole school	School will finish at 1pm on this day for the summer.