



# Stockbridge

## Primary and Pre-school



Newsletter 10

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### What's my child learning?

There are LOTS of ways to find out what your child is learning and not just to rely on them!

This week, we're sending home the topic maps for each of the classes to keep you informed about what your child is learning this term. Mrs McClue has also produced her termly overview of the Relationship, Personal, Social and Health Education (RPSHE) learning your child will undertake. With some of our subjects like DT or Science or RE, we 'block' this teaching but with RPSHE, it's an ongoing conversation throughout the term but we always start to tackle it right at the start of each half term.

Parent's evenings are THIS SIDE of February half term and booking information will be sent out in due course.

Before COVID, we'd got into a groove of having Parent/Teacher information sessions so that we could show you how we are teaching certain things. We'd like to get these going again.

With February half term being particularly early, the first of these will be AFTER half term on Wed 21<sup>st</sup> February. We'll run 2 sessions; 2.45pm and again at 6pm. They will be repeats of each other so please just plan to come to one.

By way of a reminder, don't forget the Lorraine Lee sessions which begin next week – the time has had to change and they will now be at 6pm and be over by 7.15pm.

With all of these being an excellent way to get into school, see your child's classroom, meet your child's teacher and get to ask them any questions, we look forward to welcoming you in soon.

Mrs Jefferies  
Headteacher

### Parent forum returns

We had several really productive parent forum sessions last year – an opportunity to help shape the school's approach to various things and have your questions answered by school leaders.

Thanks to the many forum reps who have agreed to stay on the forum again this year but we have also written to several new names who have been selected at random from this year's registers.

The first forum meeting will be on Wed 24 Jan at 6pm. We will discuss:

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| <b>Updates on issues raised in the past:</b> | <b>Views on (new issues):</b>               |
| a) Sharing mornings                          | a) Head secondment                          |
| b) Music lesson                              | b) Communications about learning            |
| c) Gate                                      | c) Mixed year groups                        |
| d) Meet the teacher sessions                 | d) Wider personal development on newsletter |
| e) Trips and relative costs                  | e) Lorraine Lee sessions                    |
| f) Sweet treats                              |   |

*We'd love any AOB to Mrs Jefferies by 5pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan please. e.jefferies@stockbridge.hants.sch.uk*

### Stockbridge Saver

Last term we were able to give you a heads up of what to expect in terms of trip costs. Last week we published residential costs, this week is the round up, until Easter of costs incurred for trips to help you plan the next few pay days.

Redbridge £5 Lemon & Jinja (Jan) £10 Stonehenge	Horsebridge £5 Lemon & Jinja (Jan) £10 Stonehenge
Mottisfont £12 for Young Voices pizza (Y5 only) £36 Tile Barn (Y4) by 29.02 £71.25 Calshot (Y4) by 29.02 (you were notified about this in Nov) £68.40 (Y5) Brecon (you were notified of this in Nov) £15 All – National Portrait Gallery	Clatford £12 for Young Voices pizza £68.40 (Y5) Brecon (you were notified of this in Nov) £15 All – National Portrait Gallery
Sprat & Winkle £10 – Trip to be confirmed	

## Sports

We've had a quiet autumn term in the latter half before Christmas but it's all going on now.

### GYM FESTIVAL

We are fielding 2 teams at the gym festival this month; 1 x 8 KS1 children and 1 x 8 KS2 children who will have a go at lots of gymnastic games as well as perform a learned routine.

### TAG RUGBY

We have traditionally performed well at this tournament but never won it – can we beat last year's second place? Ed has started team practice with the children already and we're going for it on 4<sup>th</sup> February.

### NETBALL

We have this tournament, which we've won twice and had a good third place last year. Mr Taylor is running netball club after school this term so we're getting practice in early here too!

## Music

Music can be such a powerful tool. This weekend can you chat with your children about when you listen to music? Is it when you're happy? When you're sad? When you're angry? Do you have a go to song you know will change your mood? I know when I'm feeling sad, listening to the Six sound track will always cheer me up! Thanks – Mrs Cooper!



# REGULAR



# UPDATES

## Wider personal development

### UPPER SCHOOL

This term, we are exploring all things Italian! In Design & Technology, we will explore the history of pizza, before trying traditional pizza toppings. With our esteemed visitor chef - Mr Jefferies, we will design, make and taste our own authentic pizza in the style of Franc Pepe – who was awarded the title of “Best Pizza Chef 2022”. Mr Jefferies will explain to us how to make an authentic dough and help support us with our topping choices.

### LOWER SCHOOL

We are going to Lemon and Jinja next week in Horsebridge and Redbridge. They are going to talk to us about all the ways they try and reduce waste. They are then setting us the challenge of making our own beeswax wraps to see if we can reduce the waste we produce. At the end of the topic we'll be letting them know how we get on!

### SPRAT & WINKLE

The children are really enjoying learning about fictional Superheroes at the moment, but towards the end of the half term we will be learning about real life Superheroes, such as nurses, police officers etc. We are really lucky that we have so many real life superheroes in our parent population! So we will be having a vet, a surgeon, a firefighter amongst other things coming in and talking to the children about their jobs.

# Diary Dates Spring term 2023-24

These are diary dates for parents until Christmas.

Our website is also updated with all of these new dates and will now be up to date as we've bravely moved to an online diary for all staff!

Date	Who does it apply to?	Time	Notes
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 & 6	9am-midnight	Young Voices - London O2
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school	12-1pm	Curry Week!
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> & Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>	Years 2 & 3	10am -12pm 1.30pm-3pm	Horsebridge & Redbridge school trip to Lemon & Jinja
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	KS1 & KS2	10am-12pm 1pm-3pm	Gymnastics Festival - Mr Taylor has chosen pupils and letters have been sent out.
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	TBC	9am-3.30pm	Parents evening - more details to follow soon.
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	TBC	3.30pm-6.30pm	Parents evening - more details to follow soon.
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school		HALF TERM - INSET DAY MONDAY 19 <sup>TH</sup> FEB
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	Whole School	2.30pm & 6pm	Parent's information session on what your child's learning & ways to support them at home.

Reminder of INSET dates for next year so you can book holidays around these:

Day 4	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
Day 5	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July