



# Stockbridge

## Primary and Pre-school



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*A short and sweet update on key things you need to be aware of ready for the next week or two at school.*

### Skipathon & Comic Relief

With the talent show this week, we decided to do Comic Relief last week – thanks so much for all of your support, lots of rules were broken!!

We raised a fantastic £190.87.

We've had huge skipathon success too – last Friday, only 3 days after the event, we had raised over £950! Well done to all and please do keep collecting that sponsor money in. We will be using it to fund new activities for break and lunch times – more details below.



### Food

We love food here! We want to encourage healthy attitudes to eating and help children to try to make healthy choices.

Please do not send in crisps or chocolate biscuits or sweets and cakes for snacks at breaktime. These are full of sugar which cause refined sugar spikes which are just not the same as fruit sugars. We are seeing a huge number of unhealthy snacks at break, wrappers left all over the playground and children getting slumpy mid morning. Also, please remember that for good reason, we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL.

### Improving outdoor play

You may have noticed that 3 of the beds on the playground have been emptied. Thanks to the massively hard graft of Mr Booth, Mr King, Mr Maple and Jenson, these borders were emptied and will magically reappear full on Monday but...with a twist!

We are filling them with sand for digging and playing in, pea gravel and playbark all for digging and playing in at playtimes.

Thank you also to those who have donated guttering and other bits and pieces. Please do keep them coming, especially play diggers, cranes, cement mixers, tractors your children no longer want.



### Mother's Day lunch

We are looking forward to welcoming mums or grannies in for mother's day lunch next Thursday.

#### What will happen?

Lunch starts at 12noon for our children. We'll gather up all children who have a family member attending. We may have to have parents wait by the fence on OLR in this time

#### When can we come in?

A member of staff will be on the gate and one at the door. We will match you with your child so please bear with us – this is for safeguarding purposes.

We'll then let a group at a time through to the hall, via the Sprat & Winkle door.

You are very welcome to stay and play with your child after lunch or head off. Lunch ends at 1pm.

### Thank you!

We had a fairly quiet turnout on Saturday for our grounds working party but those who attended were mighty! Mr Thornton & Mr Jefferies set about tidying forest school, Mr & Mrs Holliday cleared the beds and borders around by pre-school, Poppy and Daisy planted up new hanging baskets which are now hung around the grounds, Mr Scott and Grayson cleared the chicken coop area and stripped bamboo and buddleija like demons! Mr Booth, Jenson & his Dad and Mr Maple grafted away in moving soil from the beds and I sorted and tided the polytunnel in readiness for summer growing. On Wednesday, the garden gang planted up the first border by the steps on the playground. We have had our 'spring tidy' – so many thanks to all who came.

These 14 pairs of hands did effectively 28hrs of work which means we can redirect 28hrs of labour costs into resources and staffing in school for your child.

**We'd love to see some new faces next time although we'll be sad to have to make the hot dogs and cake go a bit further!**