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Primary and Pre-school



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Your view matters

In case you missed it in last week's bulletin, we have a few short questions we'd really appreciate your input on in a short parent questionnaire. By replying, you will be helping us shape our future practice.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to complete the 5 min survey.

Fiver challenge

Thank you to so many of you who have helped our Year 6 reap the rewards of their hard work over the last fortnight. The fiver challenge has become synonymous with the end of Year 6 as they are given £5 each, form a small business unit and come up with marketing, financial modelling and a gem of an idea to make their £5 grow. The support you offer helps reward their hard work and also learn lots of lessons along the way.

If you or your child have purchased a wand, a photobooth photo, a cake, a lucky dip, teddy tombola, ice cream or even had your car washed, you have contributed to some very happy children! All of their profits have been totalled and they have raised £801.26 - a profit of £664.50 on our £136.76 investment!

The profit funds their end of school treat day which they too have helped plan.

In another rite of passage, our Year 3 children are, as you read this, preparing for their first school residential tonight. We have tested the tents and poles, got firewood in, stocked up on snacks to keep the staff going through the night and we're all prepared for a night under canvas - we can't wait!

Best wishes,
Mrs Jefferies

New teachers!

This week both of our new teachers have been in school. Miss Aplin has been out on home visits with Miss Hatt and plus Miss Mobley-Down met our current Year R and Year 1 children yesterday - here's a bit more about them...in their own words.

Miss Aplin

Hello Stockbridge Primary!

My name is Miss Aplin and I will be teaching in Sprat and Winkle Class in September. I have been a teacher for 5 years in schools across Kent, Wiltshire and Hampshire but I currently live nearby in Broughton. I love stories, especially ones full of imagination like 'Alice in Wonderland' or 'The Wizard of Oz'.

I have a cat called Pippy who loves to sleep all day. My favourite animal is an elephant and my favourite chocolates are M&M's. Drawing is one of my best-loved hobbies. I love listening to music, my favourite genre is indie pop. I enjoy walking and doing pilates, as well as puzzles and board games. I'm very excited about being part of your school from September and cannot wait to meet you all and start learning your names.



Miss Mobley-Down (Miss MD)

Hello Stockbridge Primary!

I'm Miss Mobley-Down (Miss MD for short) and I'm thrilled to be joining Stockbridge Primary School teaching Redbridge class from September. I've been teaching for 5 years now and can't wait to begin my 6th with you all. Having trained in Winchester, I drove past your school for 3 years, admiring it from afar, so it's a real joy to finally step inside and become part of your community.

Outside of the classroom, I love getting creative with arts and crafts, reading a good book and, on sunnier days, paddle boarding. However, I think I spend more time falling in than staying afloat!

At home, I love cuddles with my cat Pluto, who is very playful so keeps me on my toes! I'm really looking forward to meeting you all and learning more about each and every one of you.



The 7 C's of resilience.

Mrs Cooper has been leading weekly wellbeing Wednesday assemblies and been talking to the children about the 7 C's of developing resilience. So far we have covered:

Competence – Knowing you have had success before and using this to help in future.

Confidence – Believing in yourself, but not too much!

Connection – Working with and supporting others

Contribution – Being part of something. Making a difference in a wider context.

This week we've focused on: **CHARACTER**

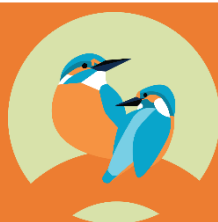
Character and the moral compass

This week in Wellbeing Wednesday we were talking about building our character thinking about who we are as people and what we believe to be right and wrong. We chatted about where we learn these morals from and the impact that our family, friends and other people have on this. We have started chatting about our moral compass. We know what is right and wrong, but what we choose to do has an impact on what direction we will go in. *Having a moral compass means that you do the right thing even if you don't want to.*



It was really interesting watching the children as they were given moral dilemmas (e.g. *your friend has a new top that they really like but you think it is awful*) to see who was looking to their friends for approval and who was thinking really carefully about what they would actually do. We're going to revisit this again next week as there is more to unpick.

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UPDATES

Keeping you up to date with regular goings on in school



Year R

Sprat and Winkle have had a very funny Drawing Club book this week- Danny McGee drinks the Sea! The children had to draw a very strange character- a Smee. They had some amazing creations. We have also been learning about map and they used a treasure map to find a prize in Forest School!



Lower School

This week we had a great time on our trip to Hurst Castle. The children loved seeing a real lighthouse and looking at the size of the lightbulbs up close. It was a great way to make links with our lighthouse topic. We've learnt all about Grace Darling in History and now we're switching to a Geography focus thinking about coasts and their features.



Upper School

Year 6 have continued their enterprise efforts, with several staff enjoying the luxury of having their cars expertly cleaned. In Science, we have been investigating how exercise affects our bodies by measuring our resting pulse rates, followed by gentle exercise to observe the change. Meanwhile play practice is in full swing.

Sport

Although not a well-known sport, 2 of our children are very keen fencers and fence for separate clubs. They both met in a recent match and had great success as it was the final of their competition – Maxi took home a super silver and Cas, a great gold! Well done boys, what a thrilling thing to do!

If you are keen for your child to have a go at fencing, there are clubs that run out of [Winchester \(Sparsholt\)](#) or [Salisbury](#) (NB. We have not vetted either club, nor recommend a particular one so please do do your homework and meet the teachers before joining).



We had a FABULOUS rounders tournament last week and came 3rd overall – well done to our team who played brilliantly! Children bowled, batted and fielded superbly and it was very close in the end. Well done to all.

Diary Dates Spring term 2024-25

These are diary dates for parents for the next fortnight until the next newsletter is out.

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
MAY			
Fri 27 th	All	8.50am-3.15pm	Simon Says Dress Down Day
Fri 27 th – Sat 28 th	Yr3	5.00pm – 8.30am	Year 3 Camp Out
Mon 30 th	Yr6		Danebury Transition Day – Parents to take
JULY			
Tues 1 st	Yr5	7.00pm-8.00pm	Brecon Beacons Zoom meeting -Link to follow
Fri 4 th	Yr3	12.00pm-3.00pm	Country Dance – Permission slips and 50p for ice lolly to be sent in ASAP
Mon 7 th			Last week of clubs
Tues 8 th	YrR, 1, 2 & 3	9.00am-9.45am	Year R & lower school sharing morning
Wed 9 th	Guitar	9.15am-10.15am	Guitar concert
Thurs 10 th	YrR	9.00pm-3.00pm	Trip to Bournemouth Beach
Fri 11 th	All	2.00pm-3.00pm 6.00pm – 7.00pm	Upper school play @ Town Hall
Mon 14 th	All	9.00am-12.00pm	Sports Day
Mon 14 th – Fri 18 th	Yr4	11.20am-12.00pm	Swimming Year 4
Thurs 17 th	All	3.30pm- 5.30pm	Summer Sizzler
Fri 18 th	Yr6 All	11.00am-12.00pm 12.00pm – 1.00pm	Leavers assembly Whole school picnic – Finish at 1pm for Summer Holidays