



Stockbridge

Primary and Pre-school



#30 BULLETIN

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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.

Exciting news!

In very exciting news, I am delighted to tell you that Mrs Hughes is having a baby! Due in November, Mrs Hughes will be with us until October half term and has decided at that point to step away completely from teaching to be mum for a while so won't be back with us after the usual mat leave period. As exciting as this news is, we are of course devastated to lose her as she's a core part of our successful team.

We have been busy in the background recruiting and I hope to announce who will be our new teacher for September when we return from half term.

I want children to have the most stability we can offer therefore we are recruiting for a September start for the new teacher meaning we can use Mrs Hughes creatively for a half term which will benefit the children.



Safeguarding notice

After half term, the back gate along the pre-school path will be locked shut at 8.50am after too many near misses where the gate has been left open as parents depart.

There will be an adult by the gate in the run up to 8.50am as part of our safeguarding practice but when they leave, they will lock it shut. It is not a fire exit so we are safe to do this and it will ensure our site remains safe.

The gate at the top of Old London Road is having a new hydraulic arm fitted either over half term or just after so this will again be self-closing which is the safest method of ensuring site safety and leaves nothing to chance.

We know that half term holidays also come at the end of busy and often expensive terms. If you need a food bank voucher to help out over the holiday period, please make contact with Mrs Spayes who can issue an e-voucher.

Holiday homework

Children have made lots of progress across the curriculum this term and I am keen for that to continue right to the end of the year.

Please do all take time out as a family and enjoy what is set to be a beautiful half term but do:

- ✓ Read every day with your child, yes, even Year 6!
- ✓ Make sure children in Years 2-6 are completing TTRS at least 4 times, especially if in Year 4.
- ✓ Doing their spelling journal work – this is set for the holiday and should be done 4 times before returning on Monday 1st June.
- ✓ Year 1 children should practice the phonics that are being sent home from Miss M-D today
- ✓ Year R parents, please do gather evidence and upload to Dojo in line with our discussion on Tuesday

Summer uniform & PE kit

Please take a moment this holiday to review your child's school uniform:

Are their shoes going to last until summer?

Trainers do not suddenly become acceptable uniform in early July!

Are all their clothes labelled/named?

Sorting 135 jumpers after lunch is not fun for anyone!

Have they got summer PE kit?

Red PE t-shirt with logo, black or navy shorts, spare socks, trainers, hairband, plasters if they wear earrings,

It's hot; hats & suncream

Please ensure your child has a sunhat in school every day as well as a named bottle of water. Squash is not allowed.