



# Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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## What's happening in school this week?

- **Our 10-day active travel starts this week.** Please take a look at the attachment for all the information for the next 10 days.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching in class 2 on Monday morning and class 1 in the afternoon.
- Street dance/cheer leading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching in the Orchard on Tuesday morning and class 3 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around on Tuesday between 1:30 – 2:30pm.
- Multisports club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching in Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 8 on Wednesday morning and class 7 in the afternoon.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Classes 1 & 2 will visit Yorkshire Sculpture Park on Thursday 21st. We will be leaving school around 9am and aim to be back at school for 3pm (traffic permitting).
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Classes 3 & 5 will visit Yorkshire Sculpture Park on Friday 22nd. We will be leaving school around 9am and aim to be back at school for 3pm (traffic permitting).
- Arts & crafts club AND Ball skills club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

## Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 92.5%

Class 1: 95%

Class 2: 96%

Class 3: 93%

The Orchard: 84%

Class 5: 99%

Class 7: 97%

Class 8: 92%

## Well done to Class 5!

## Punctuality

Our doors open at 8.20am and learning starts at 8.30am. Our Phonics teaching begins at 9.00am each day. Here's the number of children late this week.

Monday: 13

Tuesday: 9

Wednesday: 6

Thursday: 7

Friday: 3

Total: 38

**Assembly Theme:** Keeping safe. What to do if someone makes you unhappy.

## Looking ahead to the w.b. 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

- The assembly theme will be 'Advent'.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 2 on Monday morning and class 1 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around main school on Monday between 9-10am.
- Street dance/cheer leading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- The school photography company are in school on Tuesday to take photographs of the children who were absent on their original visit.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 8 on Tuesday morning and class 3 in the afternoon.
- Multisports on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- On Wednesday we have Tutti Fruitti in school performing 'The Glass Slipper'.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching in the Orchard on Wednesday morning and class 7 in the afternoon.
- PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON WEDNESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER DUE TO THE TUTTI FRUTTI PERFORMANCES BEING HELD IN THE HALL.
- Our Y2 children have drumming on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Coffee & craft morning in school on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 9:00 – 10:30am.
- Arts & crafts club AND Ball skills club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

## Parents evening

**Nursery's** next parents' evenings will take place on Thursday 5th December 2024.

Bookings can be made using the Eschools app.

## After school clubs

Mondays – Street Dance/Cheerleading Club – 3:00 – 4:00pm – FULL

Tuesdays - Multisports Club – 3.00-4.00pm - FULL

Wednesdays – Football Club – 3.00-4.00pm – FULL

Thursdays – Gymnastics – 3.00-4.00pm – FULL

Fridays – Arts & crafts club – FULL **AND** Ball skills – 3.00-4.00pm SPACES AVAILABLE

All our clubs are on a first come first served basis. If any clubs are unavailable, please contact the school office and your child can be added to a reserves list.





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## School Menu Autumn/Winter 2024 (All school including Nursery)

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main course</b>	Potato, spinach & cheese toasted wrap with homemade salsa	Pork sausage with mashed potatoes and gravy	Roast chicken with gravy, Yorkshire pudding and roast potatoes	Garlic & tomato chicken pasta spirals	Fish fingers & chips
<b>Vegetarian main course</b>	Cheese & tomato pizza with tomato pasta salad	Cauliflower, sweet potato and chickpea curry with mixed rice	Quorn grill with gravy, Yorkshire pudding and roast potatoes	Garlic & tomato vegetable spirals	Cheese & onion pastry roll & chips
<b>Jacket potato and filling</b>	Jacket potato with cheese or baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo
<b>Sandwich option</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>	<b>Ham</b>
	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>	<b>Tuna mayo</b>
	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>	<b>Cheese</b>
<b>Vegetables</b>	Baked beans, garden peas	Broccoli, cauliflower & carrots	Broccoli, cauliflower, carrots & sweetcorn	Broccoli, cauliflower & carrots	Baked beans, garden peas
<b>Dessert</b>	Oat & raisin cookie & custard	Iced carrot cake & orange slices	Chocolate shortbread pinwheels with chocolate sauce	Toffee cream tart	Chocolate oatly slice & custard

Yoghurt and fruit are also available each day as an alternative to dessert along with a selection of breads, salads and fresh drinking water.

### Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School - Healthy Snack List

					
Fresh fruit	Fresh vegetables	Dried Fruit	Hard cheese	Cream crackers	Unaccompanied breadsticks

### Snacks

Please can we remind parents that if they are giving their child grapes for their snack at school, that they need to be sliced in half, length ways. Thank you.

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## Supporting Maths at Home

Create your own hopscotch board and shout out mathematical problems – jump on two numbers which add together to make 10. How many ways can you make 8?



## Phonics, Keyword and Reading at home.

The children will begin their daily phonics lessons in class next week. We use Monster Phonics. Information about the scheme can be found on our website. Each week we'll let you know what sounds (phonemes) the children will be learning and which keywords (sometimes called Common Exception Words or High Frequency Words) they need to have learnt to read and in Year One and Two to spell by the end of the week.

It's really important that the children practise at home so that they keep up.

Mrs Kaine has updated the system so that you can access the right books for your child.

Week 8	Reception	Year One	Year Two
<b>Sounds/Phonemes</b>	y z zz qu	er ir ur	o (u), ey
<b>Keywords</b>	will all went was from help	Mr Mrs what their little called	bath path father plant half
<b>eBooks to share</b> for those children on track. Teachers have assigned books for children who may be catching up.	Tess the dog Zigzag and zip Fox and vixen The ducks get wet	A better job for a monster Weather Birthdays The third witch Bursting to go camping	Uncle Wonder Harvey goes missing Mary Seacole



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# Word of the Week



skyline



## Meaning

- The line or shape that is formed where the skyline meets buildings or the line.



## Challenge

Which city are these the skyline of? Ask a grown up to help you. Can you find them on a map or globe.

**CELEBRATING WORDS**

# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

## TEACHING CYCLE SAFETY

Cycling is an amazing way to spend quality time together as a family, as well as keeping everyone healthy and active – and it's an excellent exercise, whatever the age of your children. Getting started can sometimes be daunting, and there are obvious safety concerns over youngsters who are still getting used to a bike – so follow our top tips to help you ride with confidence.

### 1 CONSIDER CYCLE TRAINING

Courses like Bikeability are extremely useful, and training in general has come a long way since cycling proficiency began; there are Bikeability courses for adults, too. Cycle training teaches invaluable skills (such as good road positioning, signalling and visibility), and can help both parents and children feel more at ease on busy streets.

### 2 USE A SUITABLE BIKE

Find a bike of an appropriate size for its rider and resist the temptation to have children 'grow into' theirs by buying one too large for them. A bigger bike will be heavier and more difficult to control, making accidents more likely and potentially putting youngsters off cycling forever. If your child has any specific physical needs, or has dyspraxia, then try out a trike, handcycle or other adaptive cycle to see what works best.

### 3 TRY A CARGO BIKE

Cargo bikes, particularly the box-bike style, are ideal for transporting small children around. Depending on the type of bike chosen – as well as the size and age of the children – it can be possible to transport up to four little ones in this way, with additional space for other cargo as well.

### 4 INSPECT YOUR CYCLE

It's a good idea to do some routine checks on any bike before going for a ride to make sure everything's working correctly. The 'M check' is particularly useful: assessing the condition and position of the bike's wheels, handlebars, brakes, pedals, chain and saddle, working from front to back. Online tutorial videos can also teach you how to carry out basic repairs if needed. For more complicated fixes, head to your local bike shop.

### 5 BRING SUITABLE GEAR

Ensure whatever you're wearing, and any attachments for your bike, are suitable for the ride. A waterproof jacket will let you cycle safely in almost any weather. Make sure any helmets are fitted correctly. If you're riding after dark, remember to fit your bikes with a white front light, a red rear light and a red rear reflector. These are required by law.

### 6 STICK TO FLAT TERRAIN

Take a smooth, flat route if possible, so it's more suitable for younger cyclists. You might be surprised by how many quiet roads or back streets there may be in your area. Don't be put off by an indirect but easier path as opposed to a shorter, busier one. Look out for the National Cycle Network, canal towpaths and even parks that you can cut through.

### 7 STAY ALERT AND IN SAFE FORMATIONS

For maximum protection and visibility, ride in a line with children in the middle and adults at either end. If you're the only adult present, take up a position at the rear to ensure all children remain in your sight. Don't be tempted to hug the kerb if cycling on the road – riding approximately a metre out will make you more noticeable to other road users, and you'll also stay clear of any debris in the gutter.

### 8 AVOID PARKED CARS

When riding past parked cars, try to stay at least a metre away, just in case anyone inside opens a door unexpectedly or the vehicle itself starts to move. This precaution will also deter anyone driving behind from trying to squeeze past you when there isn't enough space, so don't be afraid to ride in a prominent position.

### 9 START A 'BIKE BUS'

Cycling to school with other families is a potentially fun experience – one which comes with the added benefit of safety in numbers, in case anything goes wrong along the way. Team up with other parents, carers and educators and pick a day to cycle to school together. Who knows – maybe, in time, you'll have other folks asking to join you?

### 10 HAVE FUN!

Keep in mind that cycling should be fun! A good bike ride can be really enjoyable for adults and children alike, while also being a superb form of exercise. Ease children into the hobby by starting them off with shorter journeys – such as a trip to the park – and build them up to longer, more complicated outings. Some children may get bored on a longer ride, so try to keep a conversation going with them.

## Meet Our Expert

Sophie Gordon is the campaigns manager at Cycling UK, a charity which inspires and enables people to start cycling. She has spent six years campaigning for safer roads and more protected cycle paths, while supporting communities to call for better cycling conditions where they live.

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## **RECEPTION 2025/26 – information from the Local Authority.**

Letters will be going out to relevant parents on or around 6<sup>th</sup> September, advising them about the need to apply for a school place in the 2025/26 Reception year group. These are parents of children born between the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021. Parents are advised to make their applications online at:

[www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare](http://www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare)

Parents also have the option to apply using a paper application form. I have attached a copy of this application form in case it's helpful for you to print this out and give it to parents. There is also a Guidance Sheet attached to help parents with completing their application.

### **Posters**

A copy of the Time for School poster has been sent out with this week's letters.

### **Important Dates** (for your information):

- Applications invited from: **6<sup>th</sup> September 2024**
- On-line site closes: **6<sup>th</sup> December 2024 (noon)**
- Closing date: **15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**
- Offer date: **16<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

### **Active Travel Week**

Our 10 day active travel week starts on 18<sup>th</sup> November until 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024. It was going to start next week but it has now been changed to the week after. More information is attached with the newsletter.

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## Christmas Fair

(Is it ok to mention the C word now?!)

Our small, but effective, FOSNI (Friends of Stocksbridge Nursery Infant) team met this week to plan events for this term. Last year we held our first Christmas Fair for a long time. It was a lovely event and very successful so we're planning on running it again. It will be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December, the reason to add it so early to a newsletter is to ask if you would begin saving things for us.

- Bottle bags
- Soft toys
- Unwanted gifts

We'll send more information, probably on a regular basis as we move through the term. The stalls we are hoping to run, to give you some ideas are:

Homemade stall of bakes and other goodies, a cup tombola, a bottle raffle, soft toy tombola, face painting, festive tattoos, a decoration stall and a colour hamper raffle. We're hoping for some festive music from our school choir. The man in red may make a visit and there'll be refreshments too.

## Study Bugs

If you haven't already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child's ill and unable to attend school.

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Thank you,

Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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3. You'll be helping the NHS and other public health organisations improve children's health.  
(<https://studybugs.com/about/schools>)

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## Children in Need

A huge thank you to all of you for a super Children in Need Day. We will update you with how much has been raised but it's been a fantastic effort. There will be lots of children so grateful for your generosity. The biggest challenge of the day was judging the Pudsey colouring competition. Well done to everyone who entered and here are our winners proudly showing off their superb designs.



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## Mrs Townsend's Pupils of the Week

**Caleb Black.** Caleb is a very popular member of our school. He has many friends and children who look up to him. Caleb is fun to be around; he plays exciting games. Caleb tries so hard with his learning. It's not always easy but he is determined, a trier and gives 100% to everything he is asked to do. We could ask no more of him and we are all very proud of the progress he is making.

## Nursery News

We continued with our fairy tales, this week enjoying The Three Billy Goats Gruff with lots of trip trapping and very scary trolls. We were surprised that lots of our little ones didn't already know the story so please do dig out those fairy tale books at home and share them with your children.

## Star of the Week

**Ava-Marie Proud** has impressed us with her perseverance. She is starting to stick at jobs and try hard to better herself. What a superb, mature attitude to have. Well done Ava-Marie.

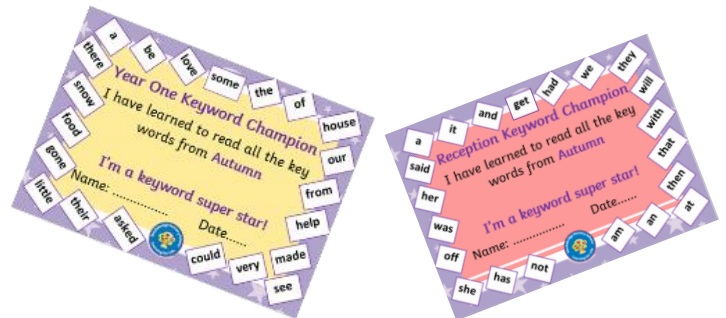
Who has mastered a reading colour band this week?

(These books are to designed to practice a range of reading skills and develop a love of books and reading.)

Jack Charlesworth  
Evie Mallinson-Owens



Who has learnt all their keywords this week?  
(Knowing keywords, high frequency words and/or common exception words means your child will be able to read more fluently and be less reliant on sounding out).



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The children's out of school achievements this week. Keep them coming. What they do and learn out of school is as important as what they do here.



This lovely girl completed her stage 3 swimming award this week. Well done!



### This week's praise board



- Well done to Harry Kaine for being really helpful in class and checking on his friends when they are sad.
- Good job Sewi Herbert for showing brilliant listening during carpet time this week.
- Thank you, Iris Burnham-Wake, for the yummy biscuits she made for the grown-ups.
- Everyone is so proud of Alfie Gould-Bist this week for being just brilliant!
- Treven Saif kindly helped us to sweep the leaves and tidy under the Nursery shelter. He is a whizz with a dustpan and brush!
- Harry Owens learnt lots about Remembrance Day and was very thoughtful.
- Joey Moore has time and patience for everyone. He is always willing to slow his games down so that everyone can join in.



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# SEND PARENT GROUP MEETING



Does your child attend Stocksbridge Nursery Infants School or  
Stocksbridge Junior School?

Join our parent group meeting  
on

Tuesday 19th November at 10am  
at Stocksbridge Nursery Infants School

Parents are welcome to stay after drop-off for crafts/play with the children before the  
meeting.



All parents welcome  
Come and find out more  
Chat to other parents  
Share experiences  
Find out about SEND services

For more information or to confirm attendance, email  
[annamarie.emmett@sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk](mailto:annamarie.emmett@sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk)

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# Santa's Grotto

Not only will Santa be joining us at the SCLC Christmas Fayre this year, but he'll also be making a couple of extra visits to our centre....



**Saturday 30th November**  
1.30 pm - 5.30 pm

**Sunday 1st December**  
10.00 am - 2.00 pm

**£5.00 per child** (includes admission and gift).  
All visits must be pre-booked and paid for in advance.

**Come along and enjoy a quieter time with Santa.**

Book now to avoid disappointment.  
For further information or to book now  
contact Reception or ring the centre on  
0114 288 3792



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# Christmas Fayre 2024

**Sunday 24th November  
11:00am to 4:00pm**

**Craft & Market Stalls  
Santa's Grotto  
Christmas Raffle  
Food & Drink  
Festive Entertainment  
And Much More...**

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available from



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