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What's happening in school this week?

- Be Bright, Be Seen Day – again because of the snow!
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 2 on Monday morning and class 1 in the afternoon.
- Street dance/cheer leading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm .
- Tuesday is Shoesday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching in the Orchard on Tuesday morning and class 3 in the afternoon.
- Mrs Townsend is available to show parents around school on Tuesday morning between 11:00 – 12:00.
- Multisports club on Tuesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Car free Wednesday – meet at the top of Cedar Road, the Leisure Centre of the junction of Shay Road and Glebelands and 8.00am for a colour hunt as we walk in.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Football club on Wednesday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Wheel to school on Thursday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 8 on Thursday morning and class 7 in the afternoon.
- Our Y2 children have drumming on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Nursery Parents evening on Thursday 5th December 3:30 – 6:30pm.
- Active Travel Breakfast from 8.00am. Come to the office.
- Our Reception, Y1 and Y2 children are off to Ice Sheffield on Friday 6th December. We'll leave at around 10.30am and be back by the end of the school day. We'll have our lunch there. It should get us all in the festive spirit! There is no charge for this visit.
- Arts & crafts club AND Ball skills club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

Attendance

Our target is 96%. This week's attendance is 94.4%

Class 1: 94%

Class 2: 89%

Class 3: 97%

The Orchard: 73%

Class 5: 98%

Class 7: 100%

Class 8: 95%

Well done Class 7!

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: 11

Tuesday: 9

Wednesday: 13

Thursday: 12

Friday: 11

Total: 56

Looking ahead to the w.b. 9th December 2024.

- The assembly theme will be 'Christmas'.
- Mrs Bailey will be teaching class 2 on Monday morning and class 1 in the afternoon.
- Street dance/cheerleading club on Monday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- **Class 7 & 8's Nativity on Tuesday 10th December 9:00 – 10:00am.** Two adults per child only. Bring your tickets. No younger siblings in attendance please.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 3 on Tuesday afternoon.
- Christmas Fair on Tuesday 10th December in the hall 3:15 – 4:15pm.
- NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON TUESDAY.
- Mrs Taylor is teaching in Nursery on Wednesday.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching class 8 on Wednesday morning and Miss Kane will be teaching in the afternoon.
- Mrs Townsend will be teaching music to class 3 & 5 on Wednesday afternoon.
- NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON WEDNESDAY.
- **Nursery Nativity on Wednesday 11th December 4:00 – 4:45pm.**
- **Class 3 & 5's Nativity on Thursday 12th December 9:00 – 10:00am.** Two adults per child. Bring your tickets. No young siblings in attendance please.
- Mrs Bailey is teaching in the Orchard on Thursday morning and class 7 in the afternoon.
- Our Y2 children have drumming on Thursday afternoon.
- Gymnastics club on Thursday 3:00 – 4:00pm.
- Arts & crafts club & ball skills club on Friday 3:00 – 4:00pm.

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 3:00 – 4:00pm – 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.

Today we said 'Happy retirement' to Sharon who has been cooking the children's meals for the last 21 years! We thank her for the thousands of meals she has helped prep, cook and serve. She's done an absolutely fabulous job and deserves a very long and happy retirement. Thanks Sharon.

Happy Retirement Happy Retirement Happy Retirement Happy Retirement Happy Retirement







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

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main course	Tomato, baked bean & spiral pasta bake	Pork sausage roll with skin on baked potato wedges	Roast chicken with stuffing and roast potatoes	Beef pasta bolognese & garlic bread	Fish fingers & chips
Vegetarian main course	Cheese & tomato pizza with tomato rice salad	Cheese flan with skin on baked potato wedges	Quorn grill with gravy, stuffing and roast potatoes	Plant-based pasta Bolognese with garlic bread	Crispy vegetable fingers & chips
Jacket potato and filling	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
Sandwich option	Ham	Ham	Ham	Ham	Ham
	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Broccoli, cauliflower, carrots & sweetcorn	Peas, baked beans	Broccoli, cauliflower & carrots	Broccoli, carrots, cauliflower & sweetcorn	Baked beans, garden peas
Dessert	Chocolate mousse and orange smiles	Homemade jam buns & custard	Chocolate brownie	Fruity strawberry jelly & mandarin segments	Vanilla & cherry cookie & 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.

Supporting Maths at Home

Roll two dice and add the numbers together. Do they instantly recognise the pattern on the dice and can say the number? If appropriate encourage the children to start with the highest number. Extend to three dice, four dice to make more challenging. If your child can't instantly recognise the pattern, spend time doing this with one dice. If your child is a maths whizz, use dice with numbers instead of spots. Can they add the numbers together – again encourage them to start with the highest number. Can they hold this number in their head and count on?



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 10	Reception	Year One	Year Two
Sounds/Phonemes	Long oo	Oe Suffixes er/est	w-ar s
Keywords	then them that this said	more horse gone line would school soon food room	water parents beautiful
eBooks to share for those children on track. Teachers have assigned books for children who may be catching up.	Zip at the zoo	The monster heroes	Miss Oh No and the magic wardrobe Television Treasure Island



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Word of the Week



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Meaning

- Where and how you were born?



Challenge

Where and how was Jesus born? Tell the story on SeeSaw.

CELEBRATING WORDS

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

SNAP STREAK

97

DAYS

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

Snapchat is a messaging app which allows users to send images, videos and texts to others. Its best-known feature is that anything sent 'disappears' 24 hours after it's been viewed; however, users are known to take screenshots or use another device to obtain a photo of their screen. In 2023, Snapchat added a chatbot function called 'My AI'.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

My AI is Snapchat's new chatbot, which replies to questions in a human-like manner. However, the software is still in its infancy and has significant drawbacks, such as biased, incorrect or misleading responses. There have already been numerous reports of young users turning to AI for medical help and diagnoses, which could be inaccurate and therefore potentially dangerous.

PREDATORS AND SCAMS

Predators can exploit Snapchat's disappearing messages by, for example, telling a user they have naked photos of them and will post them unless they're paid. Snapchat's own research found that 65% of teenagers had experienced this – on this app or others. This likely isn't helped by 'SnapMaps' – a feature which highlights your exact position in real-time. This is meant to help friends keep track of each other, but could be used for more sinister reasons.

MY EYES ONLY

Snapchat has a hidden photo vault called 'My Eyes Only'. Teens can conceal sensitive photos and videos from parents and carers in this folder, which is protected by a PIN. You can check for this by clicking on the icon which looks like two playing cards. This takes you to the 'Memories' folder which stores photos, stories and the My Eyes Only folder.

SCREEN TIME ADDICTION

Snapchat prioritises user engagement, with features like streaks (messaging the same person every day to build up a high score). The app also has sections called 'Discover' and 'Spotlight', which show tailored content to each user. However, this could also be seen as an attempt to hook users into watching videos endlessly. Furthermore, constant notifications can lure people into using the app.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat simply isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's 'disappearing messages' feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

ONLINE PRESSURES

Although many of Snapchat's filters are designed to entertain or amuse, the 'beautify' effects on photos can set unrealistic body image expectations – creating feelings of inadequacy in younger users. Snapchat now also has 'priority' notifications (which still get displayed even if a device is in 'do not disturb' mode), increasing the pressure on users to log back in and interact.

Advice for Parents & Educators

UTILISE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Snapchat's 'Family Centre' lets you view the details of the child's account – their friends list and who they've spoken to in the last week – and report any concerns. You must invite a child to the Family Centre for them to join. To keep the child's location hidden on the app, go into settings and turn on 'Ghost Mode' and 'Hide Live Location', and ensure they know not to share their location with anyone.

BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger does connect with a child on Snapchat and begins to make them feel uncomfortable through bullying, pressure to send explicit images or by sending sexual images to them, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile and report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user – such as annoying or malicious messages, spam or masquerading as someone else.

FAMILIARISE YOURSELF

Before you allow a child to download Snapchat, download it yourself and familiarise yourself with the app. Snapchat has produced a parents' guide to the app to help you understand how it works and any protections they have in place. A link for this can be found in the sources below.

ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. For example, discuss My AI's responses to questions and how reliable they are. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

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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.

Get the app or register now (<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>)

Thank you,

Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School

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Christmas Fair

Tuesday 10th December

Thank you to everyone who has donated items towards our Christmas Fair. We are still in need of a few items. If anyone has any going spare or unwanted at home, we would really appreciate lots of bottles. Bottles of water, bottles of shampoo, bottles of body wash/body lotion etc.

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.

Also, if anyone still has their Costa coffee cups that were sent home, please could these be sent back to school at the earliest convenience. These will be part of one of the stalls.

Thank you for your continued support.

Assembly Theme: Our Golden Rules

RECEPTION 2025/26 – information from the Local Authority.

Letters will be going out to relevant parents on or around 6th 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 1st September 2020 and the 31st August 2021. Parents are advised to make their applications online at:

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: **6th September 2024**
- On-line site closes: **6th December 2024 (noon)**
- Closing date: **15th January 2025**
- Offer date: **16th April 2025**

<p>Who has mastered a reading colour band this week? (These books are designed to practice a range of reading skills and develop a love of books and reading.)</p>	<p>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).</p>
<p>Junior Gould-Clegg Caleb Black Charlotte Cawthorne Erin Tazzyman Riley Fleetwood</p> <p>Shanelle Kiffin Tilly Hall Scarlett Brown Tilly Anderson Noah Greaves</p> 	<p>Skyla Taff, Sofia Rattigan, Erin Tazzyman, Bella Murphy</p> 

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EXCITING NEWS!!!!

I am coming to town... to Stocksbridge Nursery Infant School's Christmas Fayre on Tuesday 10th December.

I would love to meet children who attend this school and their younger siblings, so please pop in to the School Office to sign your little ones up for an appointment time. Visits to Santa cost £5. Please can that be paid when you sign up either in cash or via ParentPay.

I can't wait to see you all and hear what is on your lists.

Father Christmas



Mrs Townsend's Pupils of the Week

Parker Burt Parker is a terrific young man. He is kind, helpful and reliable. He is a wonderful friend to others and a role model for how to behave in school. He is zooming in his learning. He must be reading lots at home because he is whizzing through the key words and moving on with his colour books. What a little star!

Nursery News

We have been as busy as Cinderella this week - decorating coaches, comparing shoes sizes, getting her ready for the ball, pegging the washing and cleaning the tables and windows. Our fingers and hands have had a super work out and we have done some great story telling too.

Star of the Week

Noa Worrall has the best sense of humour and the wickedest little laugh. Not only is she sharing this with us as she is becoming more confident, but she is also showing us what a kind, thoughtful little girl she is. Noa is sensible and always gives her best to all she does in her calm, unassuming little way.

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.



Here's one of our lovely pupils making Yorkshire puddings with her grandma at the weekend whilst reciting her spellings!

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This week's praise board



- Thank you to all the grown-ups that helped on our trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park; we really appreciated your help.
- Sofiya Rattigan has been impressing us with her key words this week.
- We are so lucky to have Joshua Taylor in Class 1. He is such a kind friend and always tries his best.
- Mia Brookfield and Chloe Tu have been amazing at spotting patterns in maths.
- Harper Jarvis for trying hard with all her learning.
- Erin Moore for keeping Class 2's cloakroom tidy!
- Charlotte Sawdon for great number bonds work in maths.
- Elliot Mills for trying hard in maths, even when he found it a little challenging. He didn't give up!
- Evie Foster for telling the truth on Friday morning and helping Mrs T and Mrs Jennings sort out a little mix up. She also reminded Mrs T, later that morning when they were chatting about it, that it was one of the Golden Rules - being honest. 'Gracias', she said as she left the office, 'and have a lovely day!' Made Mrs T smile.
- Riley Fleetwood, thank you for helping keep our classroom tidy at the end of lessons.
- Rosalie Roberts always works hard and is such a lovely friend to everyone in our class.
- Skyler-Mai Jackson has been working really hard with her sounds when writing a sentence.
- Remi Guy, wow 2 fantastic sentences about our trip to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park!
- Ronnie Waters, thank you for using lovely manners when you needed help zipping your coat up. You also tried to help your friend fasten their coat up when it started raining.
- Connor (Class 7) is trying so hard in phonics we are very proud of you.
- Olive Reed has taken her time with everything this week. From a playdoh person to a detailed castle.
- Tommy Levitt knew lots about the Royal Guards and why they stood outside Buckingham palace.
- Ava Dawson could talk about King Charles and Queen Camilla. She knew where Buckingham Palace was; she was a royal expert this week.
- 'Bibbity Bobbity Boo' Hector Morgan cast some magical spells with his wand in Welly Wednesday.
- Ezra Stead is the digraph (two letters that make one sound) spotter. He has been finding lots of different ones in different words.
- Freddy Jackson worked hard writing a sentence in phonics. He made sure he used finger spaces. Well done Freddy!
- Hugo Cain- Allan was a true gentleman holding the door open for Miss. Kane and also offering to help her carry some things to the classroom. Thank you.
- We are super impressed with Grayson Howcroft, Teddy Black and Rosie Davies in phonics this week. Keep working hard.
- Excellent drawings of Cinderella's castles this week by Charlie Milnes, Harry Brown, Ava McIntyre, Eadie Tazzyman and Amelia Menhennet.
- Mrs Moore would like to say a big thank you to Leo Bailey for looking after 2 of the girls from class 5 at lunchtime on Tuesday and playing "Duck, Duck, Goose" with them.
- Miss. Kane saw Guy Gilbert being really kind to his friend at lunch time when they couldn't find a knife and fork. He went and fetched them a set.
- Thank you, Jaxon Kimpton, for greeting us with a beautiful good morning and good afternoon.
- Matilda Wharton-Lovett has been spotted helping others this week - opening a banana for a friend and lids from tricky lunch pots for others.
- Ava-Marie Proud is absolute superstar at tidy up time - Nursery staff are so glad she is there!
- Joey Moore asked some super questions and made fantastic observations when he was looking at the frost.
- Teddy Bailey has been trying extra hard to learn and sing our Nativity songs.
- Thank you to our choir who sang at the end of Fab Friday assembly this morning and brought tears to lots of eyes. It was beautiful!



Stocksbridge Nursery and Infant School Christmas Fair

*You are invited to our
annual Christmas fair.
Tuesday 10th December
3.15pm*

Games, crafts, refreshments
and music.

NORTH POLE

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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
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**AFTER SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS
WORKSHOP**

WED 11TH DEC 4PM - 5.30PM

The banner features a red background with a string of Christmas stockings and gifts at the top. In the center, the text 'THE KILN PAINT · CREATE · PARTY' is written in a circular logo. Below this, the main title 'AFTER SCHOOL CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP' is prominently displayed in white. Underneath the title, the date and time 'WED 11TH DEC 4PM - 5.30PM' are listed. The banner is decorated with several ceramic figurines: a white reindeer, a brown reindeer, a Santa Claus, a white snowman, and a snowman wearing a blue hat and scarf. At the bottom, there are stylized Christmas trees and holly leaves.

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