



# Stocks Green Primary School

'Learning to Live, Living to Learn'

## Newsletter - Friday 7th November

### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

It has been lovely to receive even more lovely feedback in the last two weeks from various members of our school community and beyond. We have been making some changes around meal times in the hall to ensure that the children are eating enough - a by-product of making lunchtimes so enjoyable has been children's urge to rush their lunches and get outside! We have had some lovely feedback from parents regarding this change and I am pleased that it has had a positive impact on pupils already.

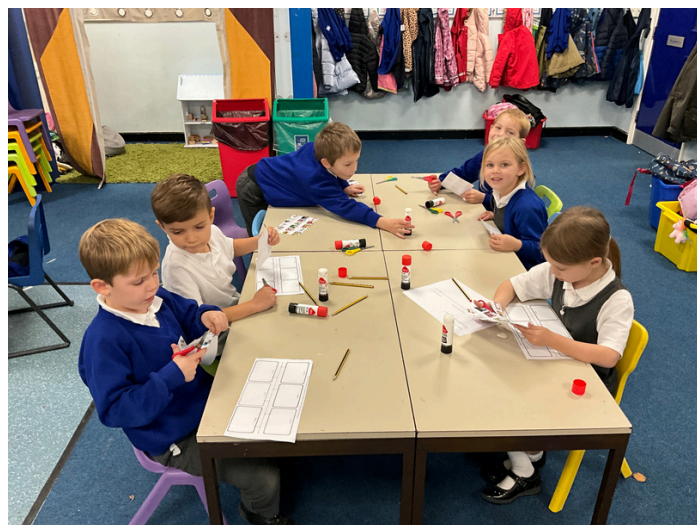
Yesterday was one of my favourite days of the year. It was the first of our school tour events for perspective parents. I always say that these parents learn far more about the school being guided by our incredible Year 6 pupils than they do from listening to me! As the Year 6 pupils showed everyone round, I could hear in their voices and comments just how proud they are to be a part of our Stocks Green community and some of the incredible memories they have of the experiences we offer. I then received some lovely feedback from parents who attended, praising the Year 6 pupils for their thoughtful, kind and respectful approach to the tour. Well done Year 6!

Part of our Passport of Possibilities, is Bikeability - as you know we are keen to develop cycling across the school. Again, the instructors have highlighted the incredible listening, respect and hard work of our pupils. What an amazing school we have!

### POLITE REMINDERS

Please can you remind all learners to step off their bikes and scooters as they come in and out of the school. This is really important so we can keep all pupils safe on the footpaths.

Also, please remember to only enter the school via the footpaths and not through the large vehicle gates. We sometimes have deliveries or refuse collection in the mornings and we would never want any of our community to get injured coming in through the wrong gates.



### YEAR 1 - ENGLISH



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## ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school makes such an incredible impact to children's social skills, friendships and academic ability. Just missing a few days over a term can make a huge difference. With this in mind, it has been amazing to see our attendance creep up steadily every year over the last 3 years. This is a concerted effort from our school community and really does make the biggest difference to our learners' progress and social skills.

With this in mind, it was incredible to see that we were in the top 10% of schools nationally for attendance last year. I wanted to say a huge thank you to our parents for supporting their child with regular attendance at school. It really does make a huge impact in setting them on the right course to achieve their ambitions in the future.



## OPAL CREATIVITY



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**National School Attendance Award**  
2024/25 Academic Year  
★★★★★  
*Stocks Green Primary School*  
*Top 10% of all FFT Primary Schools in England*

## YEAR 1 - ENGLISH

## ATTENDANCE

### Why is it important?

Attendance	Days absent	Weeks absent	Lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons

**89% or below**  
Drastic effect on  
academic achievement

**96% - 90%**  
Cause for Concern

**100% - 97%**  
Excellent!



## PREFECT UPDATE

By Sophia and Darcie

This week at Stocks Green we engaged in some excellent lessons and activities around our school here is some feedback from some classes around our school!

Year 1

In Year One, they have been learning who rules Britain and the life of king Charles the third in history. While learning P.E, they learnt how to change direction and dodge. In addition, they were learning multi skills.

Year 3

Throughout the week Year Three has learnt about shadows in science and they have been subtracting numbers from 1 to 3-digit numbers. In English, they have been writing adventure narratives.

Year 6

Over this week, Year Six worked on simplifying fractions, decimals and percentages in Maths and planning our mysterious intriguing narratives about evacuees during World War 2 in English.

Assemblies

In the High Hopes assembly, we learnt all about honesty. We also played a game with three-year sixes to guess whether they were telling the truth or not. Then they read a story about Adam and Eve from the bible.

Bikeability

This week, year 6 have been doing bikeability. We learnt how to check bikes properly and do U-turns. We also learnt about junctions and the road symbols.

## BIKE BUS UPDATE

The Friday Stocks Bike Bus Rolls On – with a £1,375 Boost!

We're delighted to share that the Friday Stocks Bike Bus has been awarded £1,375 from a Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council Community Grant! The funding will help us keep our riders safe and visible through the winter months, with new child hi-vis jackets, bike bells, and lights available to borrow.

The Bike Bus is going from strength to strength, with 10–15 pupils regularly joining the ride from the Oast Theatre via Tonbridge Road and Brookmead to school each Friday. There's always a fantastic atmosphere, complete with music, bubbles, and plenty of smiles!

We'll be continuing throughout the winter, so please do encourage your child to join in, or hop on your bike and come along too! Pupils will need to make their own arrangements for the journey home.

If you'd like to join the Bike Bus WhatsApp group or have any questions, please contact the school office and they'll put you in touch.

Happy Cycling!

Alice T & Becky M





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## BIKEABILITY



## YEAR 5 – WRITING



## YEAR R – LEARNING THROUGH PLAY



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**YEAR R – LEARNING THROUGH PLAY**





## UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please remember that the full, and constantly updated list of dates, is on the school website under 'News and Events' - 'Yearly Planner'. It can also be accessed at

<https://www.canva.com/design/DAFM8IPhRVw/8VzWtjH8GL43QK9p2eK6uA/view>



**11/11/25 - YEAR 5 AND 6 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AT ST JOHNS CHURCH**



**12/11/25 - YEAR 4 OPEN READING LESSON**



**12/11/25 - SCHOOL TOUR FOR NEW ENTRANTS AM**



**13/11/25 - YEAR 5 OPEN READING LESSON**



**14/11/25 - YEAR 1 OPEN READING LESSON**



**18/11/25 - YEAR 3 OPEN READING LESSON**



**19/11/25 - YEAR 6 OPEN READING LESSON**



**19/11/25 KS1 COSTUME SWAP FOR NATIVITY**



**20/11/25 - VR WORKSHOPS KS2**



**24/11/25 - YEAR 2 OPEN READING LESSON**



**8/12/25 - YEAR 2 NATIVITY DRESS REHEARSAL TO SCHOOL AND GRANDPARENTS**



**9/12/25 - YEAR 2 NATIVITY PERFORMANCE TO PARENTS**



**12/12/25 - YEAR 2 HYLLDEN HEIGHTS PERFORMANCE TO RESIDENTS**

## SUPERSTAR CORNER

Well done to all our hardworking superstars from the last two weeks.

The Values Cup goes to a child who has shown our school values during the week. This term we are focusing on the value of respect.

31/10/25: Summer C - Year 2

7/11/25: Aoife A - Year 1

The Values Cup for Sport goes to a child who has shown our school values during a sporting events, such as PE or a tournament, during the week. This term we are focusing on the value of respect.

### Values Cup for Sport Winners:

31/10/25: Emily B - Year 2

7/11/25: Ben B - Year 6

Our 'Above and Beyond' certificates are awarded to those pupils who have gone 'Above and Beyond' with their learning and attitudes in class all week.

### Above and Beyond Winners 31/10/25:

Year 1: Darcey O

Year 2: Henry S

Year 3: Molly M

Year 4: Oscar B

Year 5: Stanley J

Year 6: William W

### Above and Beyond Winners 7/11/25:

Year 1: Sofia P

Year 2: Beth S

Year 3: Emily M

Year 4: Sophie B

Year 5: Inayda A

Year 6: Thomas J



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## SUPERSTAR CORNER CONTINUED



Well done to Hollie H (Year 2) who was in her first gymnastics competition last weekend and came second overall across the floor routine and vault.

Elsie R (Year 5) had a great time performing as part of the ensemble in the Adam's Family at the stag theatre. It was a great experience and she learnt a lot from the older cast members. Well done Elsie!



Olivia (Year 5) and Layla (Year 3) both took their Taekwondo gradings at the start of half term — and they did brilliantly! Olivia has progressed within the intermediate level, earning her blue stripe in just 4 months, while Layla has stepped up into the intermediate group with her green belt.

