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Newsletter Friday 14th June 2024

Dates for your diary:

Friday 24th May – Finish for Half term

Monday 10th June- back to school

Friday 14th June – Colour stall (see information in the newsletter)

Monday 17th June – Year 6 Residential

Friday 21st June – bottles for the tombola

Monday 24th June – Sports day reception 2-3pm

Tuesday 25th June – DEAR (Drop Everything and Read!) 8.50 – 9.10am

Friday 28th June – pre-packaged cakes for our cake stall

Friday 28th June – Summer Fayre **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

Monday 1st July – KS1 Sports day 2-3pm

Monday 8th July – LKS2 Sports day 2-3pm

Tuesday 9th July – Year 3/4 visit to Bolton Museum (more information to follow!)

Monday 15th July - UKS2 sports day

Wednesday 17th July – Year 6 performance morning (9.30am) evening (5pm)

Friday 19th July – Year 6 leavers treat day

Monday 22nd July – Year 6 Leavers Disco (5-7pm)

Friday 26th July – Year 6 leavers assembly 9.05am (parents of y6 invited)

Friday 26th July – Year 6 leavers parade 3.25pm (all welcome in the KS2 playground but please allow y6 parents to the front!)

Friday 26th July – Finish for summer **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

WELCOME BACK!

Dear All,

I hope you all had a lovely half term break and managed to spend some time together (despite the weather!)

This term is always jam packed with sports days, transition activities, summer fair and Y6 leavers events – so I can guarantee it will be very busy!

Wellbeing Challenge

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/our-services/parents-and-carers/getting-ready-to-start-secondary-or-high-school/>

This is a challenge more for our upper key stage 2 families – but is useful for everyone as time goes on! Have a look at this website and the tips it suggests to help your children prepare for their next step.



We would love some volunteers to hear readers in our Key Stage 1 classes. If you have some time to spare in the week (even if it is just half an hour after drop off!) or if there are grandparents out there who would love to get involved please let them know too. Our KS1 teachers would love to hear from you! Please email our reading and KS1 lead rachel.marsden@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk or speak to her at the Y2 Foxes door.



A visit from Sid the Snake

KS1 had a very exciting visit from Miss Marsden's pet snake Sid! She told them all about him and they were able to stroke him and some even held him. They absolutely loved meeting him and hope he pops in again soon!



Summer Fayre

Our Summer Fayre is fast approaching! We are holding it on **Friday 28th June 3.30 – 5pm**. We will be having a raffle as usual and we are looking for prizes! If anyone has a business that would like to donate a prize we would very much appreciate it, or if anyone has links to shops/business that they think would like to be involved by donating.

If you would like a stall yourself to sell items – please speak to the office. And if you think you could help with any of our stalls (even if just for half an hour or buddy up with a friend to run one!) please let Mrs Kerrigan know.
angela.kerrigan@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk

We also have some own clothes days planned (see dates below) and ask for your support by bringing in items requested so that we have prizes for our tombolas and stalls.

Thank you for all the colour stall items. if you have any others you can donate please just send them in – red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple

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Friday 28th June – pre-packaged cakes for our cake stall

We look forward to seeing you there!

Other Reminders

Smoking, mobile phones and dogs on school property

Smoking is not allowed anywhere on council property this includes vaping.

Mobile phones should not be used anywhere on the premises – this includes the playgrounds. Children in year 5 and 6 who bring phones because they walk to or from school alone must turn them off before coming in the playground. Please remind them of this when they leave the house in the morning.

Dogs are also not allowed on school premises. This includes dogs on leads, dogs being carried, or even in a buggy.

Thank you for your support in these three areas.

Contacting staff

Please remember your first port of call is your class teacher. 😊 KS1/Reception staff are always on their classroom doors to meet and greet. KS2 staff are always available at the end of the day. Class Dojos are picked up by teachers during 'office hours' and they do endeavour to reply as timely as possible.



ClassDojo

Breakfast Club Timings

Just a reminder that breakfast club does not open until 07.45am. We are beginning to see children arriving earlier than this. The staff are not responsible for the children until 07.45am, therefore the children are not supervised before this time and are still the responsibility of parents.

Parking

Reddish Vale Start Well Nursery next door have politely asked us to remind parents about not parking in their car park. The car park attached to the nursery is for their employees and visitors, and on occasions, there are no parking

spaces for them at critical times. They will be closing and locking their gates between 8.30 and 9.00 am and 2.30 and 3.20 pm.

Snacks

Our local authority advisors tell us that there is a huge increase in dental decay and obesity in children in our area and as a community we should all work together to tackle it.

Here is our plan for a healthier day at school:

In the morning, the children have bagels – these are from the National Schools Breakfast programme and are nutritionally balanced. They are served with a small amount of margarine.

At snack time, the children are able to bring a *normal sized* snack if they wish, but please ensure that it is fruit, or low sugar snack. Examples might be food like – cheddars, sreen, raisins, crackers etc (crisps, sweets, chocolate will not be allowed)

At lunch time Taylor Shaw provide us with nutritionally balanced low sugar hot meals, if you are bringing a packed lunch please look at the sugar content and the amount of food within the lunchbox.

Afternoons – KS1/Rec children have free fruit (national scheme)

Water should be in all bottles and everyone should bring their bottle each day.

We will sometimes have rewards that are food/sweets – however, these are very occasional, which models the idea of everything in moderation.

Some children bring in sweets for their birthday - this is not an expectation, but if you choose to we ask parents to only do this on a Friday. Their birthday will still be celebrated in the class on the day of the birthday of course - as all our children's birthdays are special.

Please also remember that we are a nut free school – no nuts or nut products should be brought in as snacks/lunch including snacks like peanut butter.



As a school, many of us are parents ourselves and understand the frustrations around snacks. However, we want the best for the children in the school and eating healthily supports this.

Free School Meals

A reminder that families can apply for Free School Meals via this link: <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/free-school-meals/apply-school-grants-free-school-meals> - all you need is your NATIONAL INSURANCE NUMBER. If your child has just gone into year 3 they will no longer be on Universal Free School Meals, so if you think you might qualify please apply as soon as possible.

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, it is beneficial to apply for Free School Meals as your child can also access a range of other benefits and school help supplement some additional provision for you and your child(ren).

If you would prefer to apply using a school computer/internet, that is no problem and we can arrange a private area with a computer for you to apply. Just ask at the office, call 0161 480 4531 or email admin@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk.

School Uniform

We have a lot of lost property – mainly jumpers with no names in. Please make sure **names are in all items of clothes** – especially cardigans/jumpers and coats! It is impossible to find lost items without this.

White polo shirt
Red cardigan/jumper – with or without logo (**NO other jumpers**)
Black/dark grey trousers/shorts/skirts/pinafores
Black shoes or all black trainers (no colour variations accepted)

PE Kits for PE days

White t-shirt and black shorts/joggers with school jumper. (**NO other jumpers/PE kits!**)

School Lottery

For those families new to school, we have a school lottery that is run by the website below. Every ticket sold provides much needed funding for our school.




If you would like to take part please do sign up using the link below. Thank you.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>



Get ready to pack your bags and embark on the adventure of a lifetime! We're thrilled to announce our latest Super Draw prize, and trust us, it's one you won't want to miss out on.

On Saturday 25th May, one lucky winner will walk away with a £1,000 holiday voucher, opening the doors to endless possibilities for your dream getaway. Already got your summer escape booked? Take the £1,000 cash alternative! Treat yourself to a little taste of luxury, or spend it your way at home!

How the lottery works		
<p>£1 per ticket</p> <p>That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.</p> 	<p>Help us do more</p> <p>For every ticket you play, 76% goes to our school and prizes.</p> 	<p>£25,000 grand prize</p> <p>Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!</p> 



Attendance:



★ The class with the highest overall attendance each week will have the opportunity to 'spin the wheel'! The wheel has lots of different choices on – some of these have been updated this year by the children.

★ Each class who achieves 97% or higher each week, or who show great improvement, will have an extra playtime the following week.

Attendance monitoring includes broken weeks and lateness. You MUST contact school if your child is late or absent.

The class with the highest attendance this week was: Y3/4 Kites with 96.8%. They have won an extra playtime and film time in their class

No classes achieved over 97% this week sadly.

Hot chocolate

Each week we invite a child from each class (who is chosen for being a role model for behaviour) to come and have hot chocolate and marshmallows with the headteacher.





Gold Table

Children are chosen by their midday supervisors for their lunchtime behaviour. Each Friday we have a 'Gold table' in the hall where the children have their lunch, they also receive a prize from the 'Gold Box'.

Otters: Ava, Badgers: Stanley, Hedgehogs: Viola, Squirrels: Omari, Foxes: Mark, Falcons: Lily W, Kites: Roman, Owls: Evie-Rose, Kestrels: Molly, Merlins: Zachary, Hawks: Sophie, Ospreys: , Eagles: Isabelle

Children's Week

Each week children are chosen for showing our core values. We award certificates in Celebration Time each Friday. Well done to all our stars:



Reception Badgers: Stanley

Reception Otters: Ava

Year 1 Hedgehogs: Hermione

Year 1/2 Squirrels: Annabelle

Year 2 Foxes: Jaida

Year 3 Falcons: Esme

Year 3/4 Kites: Ahmad

Year 4 Owls: Archie T

Year 5 Kestrels: Danica

Year 5 Merlins: Amara

Year 6 Ospreys: Riley

Year 6 Hawks: Charlie

Year 6 Eagles: Lillie-Anne



Golden Broom

Year 2 Foxes won the Golden Broom this week for having the tidiest classroom. Well done for setting a fantastic example to others.

The Golden Broom is awarded by Mr Bosson (Site supervisor).

Have a wonderful weekend!

Ms Spendlow
Headteacher

Holiday Dates 2023-2024

Autumn term

Monday 4 th September	INSET
Tuesday 5 th September	INSET
Wednesday 6 th September	Back to School
Friday 20 th October	Finish for half term holiday
Monday 30 th October	School returns
Friday 22 nd December	Finish for Christmas

Spring term

Monday 8 th January 2024	INSET
Tuesday 9 th January	School returns
Friday 9 th February	Finish for half term holiday
Monday 19 th February	School returns
Thursday 28 th March	Finish for Easter

Summer term

Monday 15 th April	School returns
Monday 6 th May	May Day Holiday
Friday 24 th May	Finish for Whit holiday
Monday 10 th June	School returns
Friday 26 th July	Finish for summer holidays
Monday 29 th July	INSET
Tuesday 30 th July	INSET

