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## Newsletter Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### Dates for your diary:

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July - UKS2 sports day

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

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 leavers treat day

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Disco (5-7pm)

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

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

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July – Finish for summer **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB**

Dear All,

Today, you will receive your child's end of term report via email. They will also bring home their views on the year and the progress they have made as well as a parent feedback form (which can also be done online following the link you will have received or the QR code on the letter.)

We have also had our KS2 SATS results this week and we are very proud of all our Year 6 children. They have worked so hard and made so much progress that a grade or score does not even begin to show. A huge well done to every single one of them.

### Wellbeing Challenge

It's such a busy few weeks, I know the children (and staff) are getting to the exhausted stage. My advice this week would be some quiet time together – maybe a film night with cuddles and blankets (and of course popcorn!) – a bit of chill time for everyone.



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](mailto:rachel.marsden@abingdon.stockport.sch.uk) or speak to her at the Y2 Foxes door.

# HERE'S THE NEWS

## Year 3 and 4 visit to Bolton Museum



A Mummy!!!



Year 3 and 4 visited Bolton Museum as part of their work on Ancient Egypt this week and had an amazing time! They consolidated everything they had learnt this term and saw the artefacts (and of course – mummies!) that they had been talking about all term. They were fantastic whilst out and about and had some lovely comments from the museum staff about their enthusiasm and knowledge.

## LKS2 Sports Day



Thank you to our Year 3 and 4 parents for attending the Sports day on Monday. It was great fun! The children were fantastic and a fabulous time was had by all! And best of all it was glorious sunshine!



UKS2 Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2-3pm

### **Reading Ambassadors visit to 'The Works'**

This year we introduced Reading Ambassadors to our Year 5 and 6 pupils. They had to apply for their job and go through a recruitment process! The group of children that we chosen have been amazing this year. They have tirelessly sorted books in the libraries, stamped and labelled new ones, read with younger children, planned DEAR sessions and raised money for new books. We took them to The Works in Broadstone Mill this morning to allow them to spend the money they had raised on new books for the libraries. In September, there will be a few vacancies for Reading Ambassadors for Year 5 children so get them thinking about those applications now!



## 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](mailto: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/>





On Saturday 29th June, one lucky winner will walk away with a £1,000 Amazon voucher: stock up on smart home tech, fill your shelves with books, get your garden (or your wardrobe!) summer-ready – the choice is yours. Nothing you need online right now? Spend it your way, with the £1,000 cash alternative!

### How the lottery works

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| <p><b>£1 per ticket</b></p>  <p>That's right, unlike many other lotteries, our lottery tickets are only £1 per week.</p> | <p><b>Help us do more</b></p> <p>For every ticket you play, 76% goes to our school and prizes.</p>  | <p><b>£25,000 grand prize</b></p>  <p>Match all 6 numbers and you win the JACKPOT!</p> |
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**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: ½ Squirrels with 97.92%. They have won an own clothes day. The class teacher will let you know when it will be. Sadly no other classes got over 97% this week.**

**Stars of the week**

This week's children recognised by their teachers for amazing work and their attitude to learning this week are:

Badgers: Hannah

Kites: Lola B

Otters: Aseda

Owls: Lucas

Hedgehogs: Kye

Merlins: Harry L

Squirrels: Ahmed

Kestrels: Ewan

Foxes: Rishi

Hawks: Willow

Falcons: Daisy-Mae

Ospreys: Ayaana

Eagles: Ryan

### **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.

We have however put hot chocolate on hold for the last couple of weeks because there are so many things going on in school!



### **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'.

Gold table is also on pause until September as we focus on the classes who line up the very best after lunch.

### **Golden Broom**

Year ½ Squirrels 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**

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

### **Spring term**

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

### **Summer term**

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



