



Stocksbridge Junior School

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This week has been all about transition, and our pupils have done a brilliant job of embracing change with confidence and enthusiasm. Over three days, children spent time in their new classrooms with new teachers, and it has been wonderful to see the seeds being sown for relationships that will continue to bloom in September. We were especially impressed with the Year 2 pupils who joined us for a taste of Year 3; they worked incredibly hard to settle in, showing great independence and positivity, and have already proved they will very quickly become part of our SJS family.

We have also been missing our Year 6 pupils, who have been bravely experiencing their secondary schools this week - we are so proud of them and know they are more than ready for the exciting next step ahead. As we look towards the final stretch of term, there is still plenty to enjoy, including achievement assemblies, one last team treat, discos and lots more celebrations to come. We will definitely all be ready for a well-earned holiday!

SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3CB: Millie
 - Y3JG: Sofiya
 - Y4GG: Jax
 - Y4MC: Princess
 - Y5CS: Zachary
 - Y5HK/CG: Clayton
- PE Star: Remy
Attendance & Punctuality: Lucas
- Y3/4 Yard: Ada
Y5/6 Yard: Matilda
Dining Hall: Katherine

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING - PSHE AND RSE CURRICULUM

We would like to invite all parents and carers to an information meeting on **Wednesday 15th July at 5:00pm**. During the session, we will share details about our **PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education)** and **RSE (Relationships and Sex Education)** curriculum, including the **new statutory guidance and the changes this brings**.

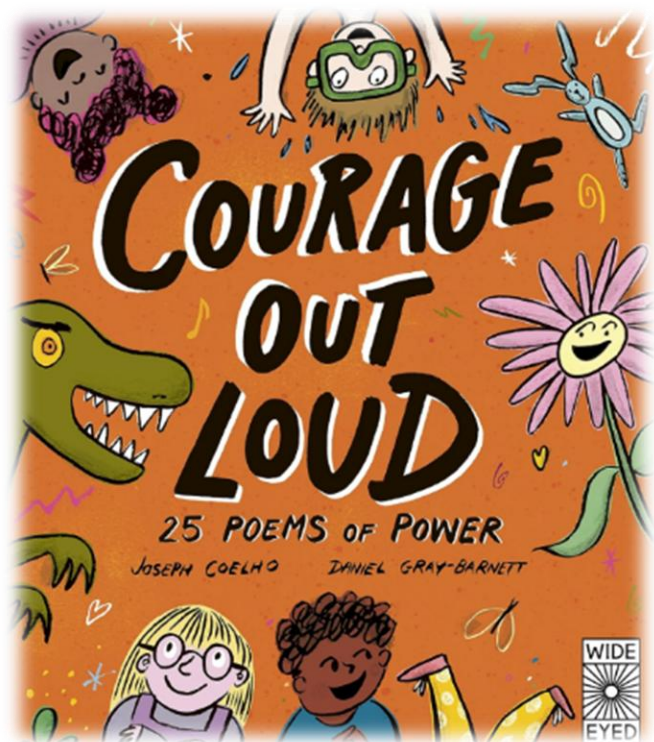
This is an opportunity to learn more about what your child will be taught, understand the updates to the curriculum, and ask any questions you may have. We look forward to welcoming you.

CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

As we approach the end of the academic year, we would like to invite parents to share their child's out-of-school achievement photos with us for the final time. Whether it be performing on stage, playing their first cricket match or helping in the community, for example, please email a photograph and a short description of your child's achievement to office@stocksbridgejunior.chorustrust.org. Entries into this term's slideshow should be shared with us by Tuesday 14th July.

BOOK OF THE WEEK

Mrs Hall's Book of the Week is 'Courage Out Loud' a book of poems about power. There have been many acts of courage across school as we have all found our feet in our new classes during transition this week. Mrs Hall has chosen to share an extract from a poem included called 'A Quiet Little Word':



When fear and worry hound you,
and emotions are canned inside,
and no one understands you
and you want to run and hide.

When everything's seems hard,
and you're feeling very sad
and life starts to bombard you
with everything that's bad.

That's when a quiet word
can make everything better.
release the worry-bird
in a poem, song or letter.

Uncage those barred-up fears,
watch them shrivel in the light.
Unbottle all those tears,
tell the world you don't feel right.

Speak to that special someone,
that someone who will listen.
Put down that worrisome tonne
and your joys will start to glisten.

NEXT WEEK'S PE TIMETABLE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y4GG Y5HK/CG	Y5CS	Y3CB Y6RD	Y4MC Y6CH/LR	Y3JG

CROSSING WARDEN

We have been notified that Tracey will not be at her usual spot on our crossing point on Cedar Road for the remainder of the school year.

We ask that parents are responsible for their child crossing the road during this time.



ENGLAND - THE SJS REPLAY

As the England match will be played at 1:00am on Monday, we appreciate that many children will not be staying up late/waking up early to watch it live. To give them the chance to share the excitement with their friends, we will be offering children the opportunity to come into school a little earlier than usual to watch a replay of the game together.

We will open the gate from 7:50am and kick-off will take place at 8am.

To make the experience feel as close to live as possible, we would be grateful if children attending could avoid finding out the result beforehand. We know this may be a challenge, but keeping the score a surprise will help make the viewing experience even more enjoyable!

Those who are not interested in football are very welcome to arrive at the normal school start time and follow their usual morning routine.

We are looking forward to sharing what we hope will be a memorable sporting occasion with the children.

END OF YEAR ASSEMBLIES

We are excited to be able to invite parents to join us in school to celebrate the successes of their child at achievement assemblies on the following dates:

Year 3 Achievement Assembly – 9:15am on Tuesday 14th July
Year 4 Achievement Assembly – 9:15am on Wednesday 15th July
Year 5 Achievement Assembly – 9:15am on Thursday 16th July
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 1:30pm on Friday 17th July

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Children are welcome to come to school in their home clothes on the penultimate Friday (10th July) for a £1 donation. Payable via the School Shop on Arbor.

REPORTS AND PARENTS' EVENING

YEARS 3, 4 AND 5: Annual reports were sent home last week. Parents are reminded to return the letter which was enclosed to confirm that the report has been received and to indicate whether an appointment to discuss the report further is required.

YEAR 6: Schools were due to receive results on 7th July 2026. However, Pearson Education Limited, the provider responsible for administering, marking, and returning Key Stage 2 results to schools has informed the Department for Education of a delay affecting the national system used to make results available to schools. Results will now be available on 16th July 2026. Importantly, the delay is not related to the quality of the tests or the accuracy of pupils' results. Test papers have been marked in line with usual processes.

Due to this delay, we are unfortunately unable to send your child's annual report home as planned on 10th July. Once we receive the results on 16th July, we will aim to share them with the children and send the reports home to parents on the same day.

PRIZE NIGHT

This year's prize night will take place on Thursday 9th July 2026 at Stockbridge High School. The format of Prize Night is slightly different this year as we will be hosting two separate prizegiving ceremonies; the first beginning at 5:45pm for nominees from Y3 & Y4 and the second beginning at 7pm for Y5 & Y6 nominees.

- Extra tickets for those families who have requested them have been sent home with children today.
- Please ensure that each member of your family (excluding the award recipient) has their ticket with them on the evening as these will be checked on arrival. This even includes younger siblings who will be sitting on an adult's lap.
- Please also note that award recipients need to be wearing **school uniform**.

MILK FOR SEPTEMBER



If you would like your child to receive milk at school from September, this can be purchased via the School Shop on Arbor from Monday 6th July. The cost for the Autumn Term (Wednesday 2nd September – Thursday 22nd October) is £18.00.

If your child is eligible for free school meals, they are also entitled to receive milk at school at no extra cost. If your child would like to receive milk from September and is eligible for free school meals, please email

office@stocksbridgejunior.chorustrust.org so that we can update our records.

Y6 SCHOOL MEALS

As we approach the end of the school year, we kindly ask that you keep an eye on your child's school dinner account and ensure that any outstanding balances are paid before your child leaves our school.

You can check your child's dinner balance at any time via Arbor.

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions about your child's account, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

PRE-LOVED DONATIONS

Our stock of pre-loved school uniform is rather depleted at present. If you have any clean, good-quality uniform that is no longer needed, we would greatly appreciate any donations.



LOST PROPERTY - FINAL CLEAR OUT

Our lost property collection is growing! If your child has misplaced any items, please take a few moments to check the lost property before the end of term.

Any unclaimed items remaining after Friday 17th July will be cleared and either donated to charity or disposed of if they are not suitable for donation.

To help us return items to their owners, please ensure your child's clothing and belongings are clearly labelled with their name. Thank you for your support.

Y6 ROBINWOOD RESIDENTIAL - MARCH 2027

Current Y5 Parents: Please look out for a letter coming home today inviting you to secure a place for your child on the Year 6 Robinwood Residential. The letter will be sent both by email and as a paper copy. Bookings will open on Arbor from 6pm on Friday 10th July. Please note that places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, so we encourage you to book promptly if you wish your child to attend.

Y3-Y5 END OF YEAR DISCO

If you would like to purchase a ticket for the Y3-Y5 disco which takes place on Monday 13th July, please head to Arbor and select the **School Shop** to purchase your child's disco ticket. Tickets will be available to purchase until Friday 10th July.

Please note:

- The normal school policy applies for mobile phones.
- As this is a fundraising event for school, children are kindly asked not to bring snacks from the local shop but to support our fundraising efforts by spending their snack money at our snack stall.



NEXT WEEK'S MENU

MENU WEEK 1

SERVED W/C: 13th Apr, 4th May, 15th June, 6th July

Hutchison

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Main Meal

OPTION 1

OPTION 2

Margherita pizza & oven baked wedges



Mixed bean bolognese with penne pasta



Vegetable sausages with roast potatoes & gravy



Vegetable stir fry with rice



Vegetable nuggets, chips & tomato ketchup



Pepperoni pizza & oven baked wedges

Beef bolognese with penne pasta



Roast gammon with roast potatoes & gravy

Chicken curry with rice



Fish fingers, chips & tomato ketchup

Veggies

Broccoli & Beans



Carrots & peas



Carrot & cabbage



Broccoli & Cauliflower



Baked Beans & Peas



Sandwiches

3

Cheese

Cheese

Cheese

Cheese

Cheese

4

Ham

Ham

Tuna mayo

Ham

Ham

Sweet Treats

Lemon shortbread biscuit



Chocolate & banana brownie sponge



Apple Strudel & Custard



Baked apple & cinnamon sponge



Chocolate Shortbread



Available Every Day - 5 Crunchy colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise & Cheese & Beans



KEY

Wholegrain



Vegetarian



Nutritionist's Choice



Vegan



EVENTS COMING UP...

July 6 8am England Match Replay	7 Bowls Competition	8	9 Prize Night	10 Non-Uniform Day (£1)
July 13 Y3-Y5 Disco	14 Y3 Achievement Assembly Y6 Leavers' Party	15 Y4 Achievement Assembly PSHE Parents' Meeting	16 Y5 Achievement Assembly Y6 Reports Team Treat	17 Y6 Leavers' Assembly
July 20 Curriculum Day	21 Summer holidays begin	22	23	24
--- Summer Holidays ---				

Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- **Universal Credit**
- income-related ***Employment and Support Allowance***
- the guaranteed element of **Pension Credit**
- support under **Part VI** of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- support as a **family with no recourse to public funds (NRPF)**



Applying is straightforward, confidential and saves you money every year. Eligibility is reviewed at the start of each school year but you only need to apply once.

Your child's lunch account is automatically and confidentially credited with money for a school meal each day.

During lunchtime there is no distinction made between those receiving free school meals and those who do not.

Find out more and apply for Free School Meals

If you need help applying, school can support you.

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Pupil Premium

The pupil premium is a grant of **extra money** paid to schools by the UK government to help disadvantaged children achieve more while in education.

It can help us to **make significant improvements** to what we're able to offer our students, especially our disadvantaged students.

Funding is allocated to schools based on the number of pupils who:

- Are eligible for **targeted free school meals (FSM)**
- Are part of the **Ever 6 FSM cohort** in the past six years (those eligible for free school meals before the 2026-27 academic year)
- Have previously been **in care** (looked after by a local authority or other state care)
- Have a **parent serving in the regular armed forces**
- Have been **registered as a 'service child'** in a school census in the past 6 years
- Had a parent die while serving in the armed forces and are **in receipt of a pension** under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme

If you believe you are, or will be, eligible for targeted free school meals (even if you do not wish to take the free meals), **please apply** to enable us to claim this much needed source of funding.

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