



Stocksbridge Junior School

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Last week, our Parents' Sessions in school hopefully gave parents, family and friends a flavour of the all-important learning magic that takes place in our classrooms. This week, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings gave a different insight into SJS life – thank you to all the parents who attended our Autumn Parents' Evenings.

Parents' Evenings provide essential time where parents and teachers can sit down together and discuss the most important part of school - our SJS children! For parents, we hope you received a useful update on your child's progress and, most importantly, how they have settled into their new year group. For teachers, there is the chance to catch up on any home information that will support your child in school. The better we know your child, the more we can help them on a day-to-day basis. Parent and school partnership is crucial - after all, we are better together!

SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3MR: Heber
 - Y4CH/JT: Jack
 - Y5CS: Kian
 - Y6RD: Millie
 - Y3CB: Ada-Lily
 - Y4GG: Reggie
 - Y5HK/CG: Sonny
 - Y6LR: Iylah-Poppy
- The Hub: Logan
- Cedarwood Yard: Remy
Ball Games Yard: Mollie

Attendance & Punctuality: Harry
Dining Hall: George

GREAT STOCKY FUN RUN

Thank you for generously supporting this year's Stocky Fun Run! It's been a great day of sprinting, jogging and walking, whilst raising money for school equipment.



NEXT HALF TERM'S AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

The following clubs are available next half term:

- Mondays: Basketball (Open to all year groups)
- Wednesdays: Street Dance (Open to all year groups)
- Thursdays: Forest School (Open to all year groups)
- Thursdays: Football (Y3 & Y4)

Places will be limited and are booked on a first come first served basis.

Bookings (including pricing) will go live on Parentmail at 6pm on Monday 21st October.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

Children are welcome to come to school in their home clothes next Friday for a £1 donation.

Y3 - LONDON

Lola
Oliver
Heber
Eva
Aubree

Y5 - BEIJING

Ryan
Alex
Emily
Violet

Y6 - BUENOS AIRES

Lilly
Isabelle

NEXT WEEK'S PE TIMETABLE

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Y6RD	Y4GG	Y5CS	Y3CB Y6LR Y5HK/CG	Y3MR Y4CH/JT Swimming The Hub

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

WEEK 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
MAIN DISH	Pepperoni pizza served with wedges	Chilli con carne served with rice	Roast Chicken served with mashed potato, Yorkshire pudding and gravy	All Day Breakfast
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Margherita Pizza served with wedges	Macaroni cheese	Roast Quorn fillet served with mashed potatoes	Quorn All Day Breakfast
ACCOMPANIMENTS <small>5 A DAY</small>	Garden Peas & sweetcorn Salad Bar	Sweetcorn Salad Bar	Cauliflower and cabbage Salad Bar	Beans and tomatoes Salad Bar
DESSERTS	Chocolate sponge and custard	Fruit sponge and custard <small>5 A DAY</small>	Lemon shortbread <small>5 A DAY</small>	Flapjack
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
JACKET POTATO AND STREET FOOD	Jacket potato	Jacket potato	Jacket potato	Jacket potato Cheese and ham panini served with wedges

HALLOWEEN MENU

MAIN COURSE

WITCHES' FINGERS

(meat or veggie hotdogs)
WITH CHIPS AND
VAMPIRE SAUCE
(ketchup)

OR

Wrapped up Mummies
(cheese and ham wraps)

OR JACKET POTATO

DESSERT

DEAD FLY FLAPJACKS

(fruit flapjacks)

OR FRUIT AND YOGHURT

FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER

EVENTS COMING UP...

Oct 21	22	23	24	25 Non-Uniform Day (£1)
--- Half Term ---				
Nov 4 Read Around the World: Set off on your journey towards your 2 nd destination	5	6 Y4 Whitby	7 Y4 Whitby	8 Y4 Whitby Sheffield Book Awards Y4CH Swimming
Nov 11 Anti-Bullying Week 2024: Choose Respect Odd Socks Day	12	13	14 Flu Vaccines	15 Children In Need Coffee Morning Y4CH Swimming
Nov 18	19	20	21	22 Y4CH Swimming
Nov 25	26	27 Y6 Macbeth	28	29 Y4CH Swimming
Dec 2	3 Read Around the World: Earliest arrival at your 2 nd destination Christmas Fair	4 Rock Steady Concert (TBC)	5	6 Y4CH Swimming
Dec 9 Y3 Christmas Concert	10 Y4 Christmas Concert	11 Y5 Christmas Concert	12 Y6 Christmas Concert Christmas Jumper Day	13 Y3 Christmas Party Coffee Morning Y4CH Swimming
Dec 16 Y4 Christmas Party	17 Y5 Christmas Party	18 Christmas Dinner Disco	19 Y6 Christmas Party	20 Non-Uniform Day (£1)

For events further ahead, please check our [school calendar](#) on our website.

STEEL VALLEY PROJECTS

Join Steel Valley Project on Wednesday 30th October on their Halloween themed "Bats & Bikes" ride through Wharncliffe Woods again along the Little Don Link. Leaving at 4pm from Fox Valley (outside Trek Bicycles), the ride will follow the trail and, at dusk, bat detectors will be used to try to find bats! This bike ride is aimed at everyone, although children must be able to ride for approximately a 3 mile round trip or roughly 1/2 hour each way. Please reserve your free space on <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/halloween-bat-ride-tickets-1042957753717>



Steel Valley Project are also hosting a bike ride on Monday 21st October 10am – noon with the theme Autumn Colours – which may be of interest to parents & carers with non-school age children. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/easy-going-bike-ride-autumn-colours-tickets-1043012698057>



Loan bikes are available but must be booked in advance by emailing info@steelvalleyproject.org.

BARNESLEY MUSEUMS

Barnsley Museums are offering a range of family activities across their five sites during the October half term holidays. Many of these activities are free, as are their sites to enter. They can also provide warm spaces for families now the weather has turned a bit colder.

WITCHFUL THINKING AT BARNESLEY BOO-SEUMS

This October half term @ [BARNESLEY MUSEUMS](http://BARNESLEYMUSEUMS)

Sugar Mice and everything nice!

Thursday 31 October

Try your hand at making a sugar mouse as sweet as can be and be inspired by our mouse trail to make your own furry friend to take home. Suitable for children aged 7 plus.

10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm

£5 per child | Places limited, booking is essential through Art Tickets

Forbidden Forest Trail

26 October – 3 November

Are you brave enough to step into the Forbidden Forest? Plus, visit the museum for the haunted hall trail. Can you find all the spooky potion ingredients and collect your spooktacular sticker?

11am-4pm |

Free, drop-in



Relaxed Openings

Saturday 2 November

Enjoy a quieter experience in our galleries at our relaxed openings. Throughout opening times, check www.cooper-gallery.com for details.



Crazy Collages

Wednesday 30 October

Budding young artists will try out nifty techniques for observational drawing and use their new skills to create a 3D artwork to take home. **10am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm** **£3 per child | Suitable for children aged 7 plus. Places are limited, booking essential through Art Tickets**

Goulsh Gourds Trail

26 October – 2 November

Can you find all the peculiar pumpkins hidden inside the Gallery and Experience Barnsley Museum? Find them all and collect a sticker! **10am-4pm | Free, drop-in**



Exploding Seedpods

Tuesday 29 October

Find out about the weird and wonderful world of plants in this fun, interactive workshop. **10am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm | Suitable for ages 5 plus, £3 per child. Meet at the Learning Hut. Places limited, booking essential through Art Tickets.**



WORSBROUGH MILL
WORKING MILL & COUNTRY PARK



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Chamber of (Spooky) Treasures Halloween Special



29 October – 30 October

When the veil separating the spirit realm from our world is at its thinnest, dare to join the Strange Sisters and hear terrifying tales of Barnsley ghosts and take part in their curious object seances.

11am & 2pm seances | Free | 11am performance will be BSL interpreted and all welcome. Tickets bookable on Art Tickets. Halloween dress most welcome. Parental guidance recommended with younger children.

Creepy and Curious Crafts

Friday 1 November

Join us to explore the more macabre objects in our Chamber of Treasures and create your own creepy curios from disembodied hands to beastly bugs and other things that go bump in the night!

10am–12 noon & 1–3pm. Free, drop in, suitable for all ages.

Relaxed Openings

Saturday 2 November

Enjoy a quieter experience in our galleries.

Throughout opening times, check www.experience-barnsley.com for details.

Armed Forces Free Family Trail

Each year we remember those who gave their lives for us on Remembrance Day. This year find out more about Barnsley's military heritage in Experience Barnsley Museum and around the Town Centre.

Collect a trail leaflet from Experience Barnsley Museum and have fun exploring. Free, drop in 25th Oct – 13th November.

Find more Fiendish Fun online on the Barnsley Museums website:
www.barnsley-museums.com



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Giddy Up and Away

Monday 28 October

Saddle up and ride into a pony adventure at Elsecar Heritage Centre. In this unique, interactive session, under fives and their families will meet the horses of Elsecar through imaginative play.

11am & 1pm | £3 per child | Booking essential through Art Tickets | Suitable for Children aged 5 and under.

Else-scarecrow Trail

26 October – 2 November

Find the Scarecrows and solve the puzzle. Collect your trail leaflet from the Visitor Centre.

11am–4pm | Free, drop-in | Suitable for all ages. Starts at the Visitor Centre.

Hell-secar Bat Trail

26 October – 3 November

Find all our furry, fanged friends and collect a sticker.

11am–4pm | Free, drop-in | Suitable for all ages. Starts at the Visitor Centre.

Echoes through time an Elsecar story Until end of November

Can you crack the code to reveal the secret of the black diamond? Scan the QR codes across the site to crack the code, then return to the visitor centre to collect your prize. **Age 10 plus. Free, drop in during opening hours.**

Bats, Bugs & Brooms

28 October – 1 November

Join us for some family fun this October half term at Wentworth Castle Gardens. There's creepy crafting or book a place to make your own broomstick, can you find the bats hiding in the garden? **Check website for details.**

