



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, with a focus on our Maths curriculum. This week, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings gave a different insight into SJS life – thank you to all the parents who attended our Spring 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! Halfway through the academic year, these meetings provide a useful update on your child's progress and, most importantly, the next steps forward that need to take place before the end of the Summer term. We're looking forward to seeing just how far your children can go!

SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3MR: Jenson
- Y4CH: Charlie
- Y5CS: Emily
- Y6RD: Amelia
- Y3CB: Ella
- Y4GG: Zac
- Y5HK/CG: Albie
- Y6LR: Charlotte

The Hub: George

Cedarwood Yard: Jack
Ball Games Yard: Mason

Attendance & Punctuality: Ryan & Oliver
Dining Hall: George

BOOK OF THE WEEK



Miss Sheehan has chosen Marie Curie, Little People, BIG DREAMS as this week's Book of the Week as this week is British Science Week and last week was International Women's Day. She enjoyed reading this book because she learned that when Marie Curie was young, she was unable to attend university because she was a woman. She was fascinated to find that Marie Curie's discoveries of radium and polonium helped in the fight against cancer. Did you know that Marie Curie won the Nobel Prize for Physics because of her work in science?

EASTER CELEBRATIONS

Our annual Easter egg competition is now open for egg-tries! Just like previous years, entries to the competition must incorporate an egg in an ingenious way. Please ensure your child's entry is in school for judging on Wednesday 26th March. We look forward to seeing your egg-straordinary entries!



DONATIONS TO THE HUB

If any of our families are having a spring declutter, please consider donating any unwanted items to our Hub. We would be grateful for donations of items especially any jigsaws or accessories for their dolls' house. Thank you!

NEXT WEEK'S PE TIMETABLE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y3MR (Maths) Y6RD	Y3CB (Maths) Y5CS	Y6LR		Y5HK/CG Y4 Y4GG Swimming

DISCO

All pupils are invited to our Easter School Disco! The disco will be held on **Wednesday 19th March** - from **4:30pm until 6:00pm**. The cost is £3 per ticket which is to be paid on ParentMail. Children are encouraged to bring cash for refreshments available at the Disco tuck shop.



RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 21st March, we will be supporting Red Nose Day by asking children to come to school dressed in as much red as possible. Donations of £1 are to be brought in on the day and handed to the child's class teacher rather than paid on ParentMail. We hope the children have an enjoyable day, while raising as much money as we can.

Thank you so much for your ongoing support in such events.



HUTCHISON CATERING



We are delighted to announce that, following an in-depth tendering process, we have appointed Hutchison Catering to provide our school catering services. The service will start after the Easter holidays. Tasting sessions run as part of the tendering process received the thumbs-up from pupils and staff alike, so we're looking forward to welcoming the new menus next term.

Hutchisons will be present at a school event after Easter to showcase the range of delicious food that will be on offer to our pupils, and to give parents the chance to taste it for themselves. In the meantime, a newsletter from Hutchisons to introduce themselves has been shared with parents.



The price of a school dinner will be £2.75 from Monday 14 April; there will be a further rise to £3.00 from September 2025. The price of a school meal has remained the same for five years (since 2020), and these increases reflect the national rise in food and overhead costs during this time. For this price, Hutchisons have committed to provide delicious food using high quality ingredients and to use local suppliers wherever possible to provide a wide range of tasty main meals. Please note that there will be no change to current free school meal arrangements; if you think your child may be eligible for free school meals, you can find out more at www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare/school-meals, or please call the school office.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

WEEK 1	 MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Beef Burger with Wedges	Meat and Potato Pie with Creamy Mash	Roast Chicken, Mash Potato, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy	Tomato Meatball Pasta with Pitta Bread	Hand Battered Fish and Chips
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	Quorn Burger with Wedges	Cheese Pie with Creamy Mash	Quorn Roast, Mash Potato, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy	Maccaroni Cheese with Pitta Bread	Cheese & Bean Bake
ACCOMPANIMENTS 	Sweetcorn Beans Salad Bar	Cauliflower Cabbage Salad Bar	Carrots Broccoli Salad Bar	Sweetcorn Carrots Salad Bar	Mushy Peas Curry Sauce Salad Bar
DESSERTS	Chocolate Cookie	Iced Sponge	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Ice cream	Fruit in Jelly
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt	Fresh fruit <i>or</i> Yoghurt
JACKET POTATO AND STREET FOOD	Jacket Potato or Chicken Goujon Wrap	Jacket Potato or Cheese Sandwich	Jacket Potato	Jacket Potato, Ham or Cheese Roll	Jacket Potato

EVENTS COMING UP...

March 17	18 Y5HK/CG Stocksbridge Library Visit	19 Disco	20	21 Red Nose Day Y4GG Swimming
March 24 Y4 Magna Trip	25 Read Around the World: Earliest arrival at your 4th destination	26 Easter Egg Competition Deadline	27	28 Non-Uniform Day (£1) Y4GG Swimming
--- Weeks Beginning Monday 31 st March & Monday 7 th April: Easter Holidays ---				

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

POP MATHS



On Saturday 8th March, a team of Year 6 pupils took part in Sheffield Hallam University's annual Pop Maths Quiz. The event involved teams from schools across South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire answering a range of challenging 'pub quiz' style mathematical problems, riddles and puzzles.

Our team performed incredibly well and did the school proud! Very well done to each member of the team! Thank you to pupils and parents for giving up their Saturday morning to take part.

YS BASKETBALL EVENT AT CANON MEDICAL ARENA

Our Year 5 basketball team recently participated in an exciting event at the Canon Medical Arena, where 15 schools came together for a high-level competition. The Sheffield Hatters Elite Basketball team refereed and ran the event, providing great support throughout the afternoon.

Our children demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, teamwork, and determination, always giving their best effort on the court. Everyone enjoyed the event, and it was a fantastic opportunity to showcase both skill and character. Well done to all involved!



+Allied Pharmacies

Pharmacy first pharmacists can give advice, and NHS-funded treatment if needed, for these seven common illnesses **without needing a GP appointment:**

- Sinusitis (12 years old and over)
- Sore throat (5 years old and over)
- Ear infection in children (between 1 years and 17 years old)
- Infected insect bite (1 years old and over)
- Impetigo (1 years old and over)
- Shingles (18 years old and over)
- UTI in women (between 16 years and 64 years old)

Please speak to a member of the pharmacy team for more information.

The 3rd Stocksbridge Scouts 4th Annual Multi-School Food Drive 10th to the 21nd of March

Scouts
3rd Stocksbridge

Our Beavers and Cubs are running a food drive in local schools where all donations will be taken to the Stocksbridge Community Food Bank. We are having a competition to see which school can get the most donations per pupil. Help your school win whilst we work together to help the community!



Items Needed:

Washing Up Liquid
Toothpaste
Female Products

Washing Powder
Sugar
Tea/Coffee
Tins of Meat
Sandwich Spreads



ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMP



Tuesdays 1st & 8th April
Thursdays 3rd & 10th April
10:00am - 3:00pm



**Stocksbridge Community
Leisure Centre**
Moorland Drive, S36 1EG



£20 per person per day*

*Please contact us about FREE places for children & young people in receipt of benefits related free school meals

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excitement during the
school holidays.

AGES 5+

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