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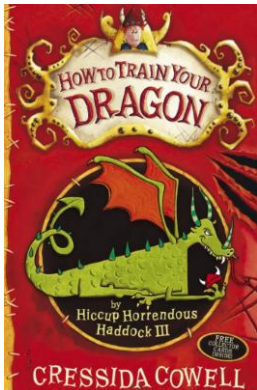
This week, we have been thinking about World Mental Health Day, which is being marked across the globe. First celebrated in 1992 by the World Federation for Mental Health, this important day aims to spread awareness about mental health and promote education worldwide. As part of our school's recognition of the day, we held a special assembly on Wednesday, led by our Mental Health Practitioner, Angela Manning. It was such a valuable opportunity to talk openly with our children about mental health, highlight the importance of reaching out if you're struggling, and share ways we can all promote well-being in our school community. We've been encouraging everyone to remember that it's good to talk about our feelings, and that showing kindness to ourselves and others can make a big difference. By working together, we're creating a school environment where everyone feels safe, supported, and valued.



SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3CB: Harper
 - Y4GG: Alisha
 - Y5CS: Dollie
 - Y6CH/LR: Alivia
 - Y3JG: Oliver
 - Y4LS: Oscar
 - Y5HK/CG: Lillia
 - Y6RD: Albie
- PE Star: Hattie
- Y3/4 Yard: Erin
Y5/6 Yard: Mia
- Attendance & Punctuality: Alfie
Dining Hall: Harriet

BOOK OF THE WEEK



Mrs Gosling has nominated this week's Book of the Week: 'How to train your dragon series' by Cressida Cowell... twelve books, some unforgettable characters and an incredible build-up to an epic and moving finale.

It is the story of becoming a hero the hard way. Stories and adventures showing the spirit of endurance and the power and strength of friendship. The main character, Hiccup Horrendous Haddock 3rd, is the very definition of an underdog, who has to overcome self-doubt, bullies and many setbacks over these twelve hilarious books. Mrs Gosling says, "I love reading this series with my sons. We have read through the series three times and I always feel a little bereft after finishing the final book!"

EVENTS COMING UP...

Oct 13 Y6 Parent Session	14 Y4 Parent Session Y4LS Swimming	15 Y5 Parent Session	16 Y3 Parent Session	17
Oct 20	21 Y4LS Swimming Parents' Evening	22 Y5 Wonderdome Parents' Evening	23 Non-Uniform Day (£1)	24 Curriculum Day

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

READING AROUND THE WORLD

It is wonderful that so many children have made great progress with their reading journey around the world! Thank you for supporting your child's reading progress by reading with them at home.

Congratulations to the following children who have reached their first destination:

Y4 - CAIRO

Lola
Luca
Ada

Y5 - BEIJING

Jack
Maddie
Nathaniel
Molly

Y6 - BUENOS AIRES

Mia
Sophie
Sophia
Alfie
Marcie
Martha
Georgia
Alex
Emily
Tilly

Children need to read at least thirty times at home to reach each passport destination. Children who have now reached their first capital city can begin their journey to the next destination after half term; all other children should continue to accumulate their reads until they reach thirty footprint stamps.

PARENTS' SESSIONS

Parents/guardians are warmly invited to our 'Bring your parent to school' sessions!

Teachers would like parents to join their child in class at the beginning of the school day to take part in a lesson alongside their child. This is a great opportunity for children to share a little about what they are learning and for parents to enjoy some time in their child's classroom in advance of our Autumn Term Parents' Evening.

- Year 3 – Thursday 16th October, 9:00am - 10:15am
- Year 4 – Tuesday 14th October, 9:00am - 10:15am
- Year 5 – Wednesday 15th October, 9:00am - 10:15am
- Year 6 – Monday 13th October, 9:00am - 10:15am

Refreshments will be available for parents in the hall from 8:35am whilst the children are being registered.

PARENTS' MEETINGS

This term's Parents' Meetings will take place on Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October. Our booking facility on ParentMail is now live.

N.B. The length of each appointment is 10 minutes. We would always advocate that parents get in touch with any concerns as they arise rather than leave them until parents evening, however, if you do feel you will require an appointment that is longer, please contact the school office in advance.

NEXT WEEK'S PE TIMETABLE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y5CS	Y3CB Y6RD	Y4GG Y5HK/CG	Y6CH/LR	Y3JG Y4LS

Y6 LEAVERS' HOODIES

Y6 parents have been sent an email regarding this year's leavers' hoodies. The email contains a link to the online shop for ordering your child's hoodie. The online shop will close on 3rd December and hoodies will be delivered to school in January 2026.



HOLIDAY HOME NEEDED

As we are approaching a school holiday, we are looking for some new temporary parents for our lovely guinea pigs, Oreo and Pickles.

- The boys would need to be housed indoors.
- Their temporary home must not have any cats or dogs.
- We will provide everything that is needed... although they would appreciate a few vegetable scraps every now and then. You would just need to provide a loving home and lots and lots of cuddles.



If you wish to be considered (first come first served), please get in touch with the school office. If you are not lucky enough to take care of them on this occasion, we will add you to our possible guinea pig parent list for consideration when any holidays come around again.



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all who supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning whether you donated buns for us to sell, popped in for a coffee or enabled your child to bring money to buy a cake at breaktime. We are pleased to have raised £97.45 for this worthy cause.

Inman Pavilion Halloween
Craft Club
Bring your witches and goblins
to make spooky crafts.
Monday 27th October
10.00-11.45 am
£2 per child
No need to book
Moorland Drive
Sticksbridge S36 1EG



INTERESTED IN PIANO LESSONS?

LESSONS RIGHT HERE AT STOCKSBRIDE JUNIORS WITH EMMA SMITH!



SIGN UP HERE:



FOR SEND AND FINANCIAL BURSARIES:



Hi, I'm Emma and I teach piano!

Why learn a musical instrument?

Learning a musical instrument is one of the most enjoyable things you can do at school! It helps you make a lot of new friends, trains different parts of your brain and is an activity that you can take with you through the rest of your life!

Why not sign up today :)

Does your child want to help define the future of public health research?

We're looking for young people (8 to 18 years) to talk to us about future research on food, nutrition and public health



They will attend 2 x 1-hour online focus groups with around 10 other young people



Sign up via:

<https://bit.ly/cvpppi25>



As a thank you, they will receive a

£25

shopping voucher



Bring a friend!



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University of Sheffield