



# Stocksbridge Junior School

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It's certainly a busy time of year in school, with children full of excitement while still working hard to complete all of our term's learning. The highlight of the week has been welcoming parents, family and friends into school for our Christmas performances. The hall has been filled with festive sparkle, Christmas cheer, and the children's beautiful singing voices, making each performance truly special. As we look ahead to our final week of term, we're excited for parties, our school disco, and even more festive fun — it is certainly the most wonderful time of the year!



## SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3CB: Jack
- Y4GG: Thisen
- Y5CS: Izayah
- Y6CH/LR: Alfie
- Y3JG: Sofiya
- Y4LS: Pippa
- Y5HK/CG: Evii
- Y6RD: Elodie

PE Star: Guy  
The Hub: Callum

Y3/4 Yard: Milo  
Y5/6 Yard: Jack

Attendance & Punctuality: Noah  
Dining Hall: Zachary

## BOOK OF THE WEEK



Mrs Gaymond has chosen *The Christmas Pig* by JK Rowling for this week's Book of the Week.

The story is about a boy called Jack who loves his childhood toy, Dur Pig. DP has always been there for him, through good and bad. Until one Christmas Eve, something terrible happens - DP is lost. But Christmas Eve is a night for miracles and lost causes, a night when all things can come to life... even toys. And Jack's newest toy - the Christmas Pig (DP's annoying replacement) - has a daring plan: Together they'll embark on a magical journey to seek something lost, and to save the best friend Jack has ever known...

## NEXT WEEK'S PE TIMETABLE

| Monday | Tuesday         | Wednesday    | Thursday        | Friday |
|--------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------|
| Y5CS   | Y3CB<br>Y5HK/CG | Y4GG<br>Y6RD | Y6CH/LR<br>Y3JG | Y4LS   |

## READING AROUND THE WORLD

Congratulations to the children who have read their way to their next reading destination. Children who have now earned their first two postcards set off to the third destination on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January.

### Y3 - PARIS

Max  
Lottie  
Lucas  
Kodi  
Phoebe

### Y4 - NAIROBI

Luca  
Olek  
Charlotte

### Y5 - BEIJING

Cruz

### Y5 - TOKYO

Flora  
Evii  
Aria

### Y6 - BUENOS AIRES

Lainey

### Y6 - BRASILIA

Sophia  
Mia  
Jake

## CROSS COUNTRY

The next cross-country race will take place tomorrow (Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December) at Concord Park, Shiregreen Lane, S5 6AE. Parking is available at Concord Leisure Centre, which is next to the park and on the surrounding roads.

The Concord Park Run will be taking place, so please be aware of the runners on the path that leads you to the cross country race course. Racing will start at 10am with the Y3/4 girls (followed by the usual order of Y3/4 boys, Y5/6 girls and finishing with the Y5/6 boys). All walk rounds must commence before 9:30am.

## NON-UNIFORM DAY

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

## EVENTS COMING UP...

|                            |  |   |                    |                                  |
|----------------------------|--|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Dec 15                     | 16   | 17  | 18                 | 19                               |
| Y3 Christmas Party         | Y4LS Swimming<br><br>Y4 Christmas Party  | Y5 Christmas Party<br><br>Christmas Disco | Y6 Christmas Party | Non-Uniform Day (£1)             |
| --- Christmas Holidays --- |  |   |                    |                                  |
| Jan 5                      | 6  | 7   | 8                  | 9                                |
| Curriculum Day             | Read Around the World: Set off on your journey towards your 3 <sup>rd</sup> destination<br><br>Y4GG Swimming |   |                    | Spelling Bee: Round 1 Word Lists |

## CHRISTMAS PARTIES



Next week, each year group will be enjoying their Christmas party by playing games, dancing and sharing their party food.

- Year 3 - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December
- Year 4 – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December
- Year 5 – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December
- Year 6 & The Hub – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Children are invited to bring a contribution of party food to include in their class's buffet, for example, sandwiches, crisps, buns, cheese or cucumber or carrot sticks. Children are welcome to come to school in their party clothes on the day of their party.

Please remember, products must **not contain nuts**. Drinks will be provided by school.

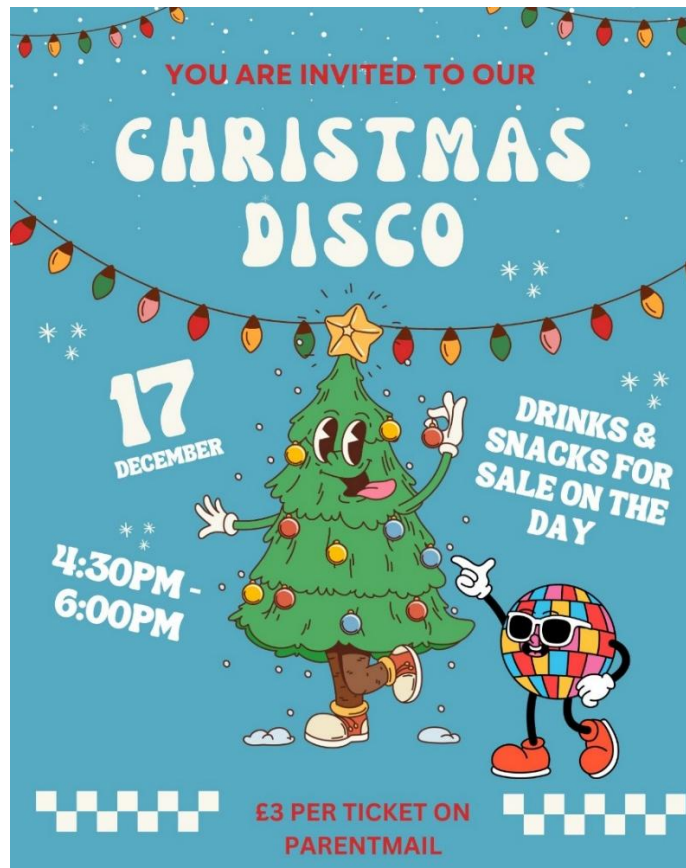
## DISCO

Our Christmas disco will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December, from 4:30pm until 6:00pm.

Tickets are available to buy through Parentmail for £3.

We would like to remind parents that children are not permitted to bring phones to the disco.

**Collection Arrangements:** As it will be dark, please ensure that your child is clear about where they will meet you once the disco has finished. At 6pm, we will allow year groups to leave one at a time starting with Y3 and their older siblings. N.B. Due to the number of children attending, we are unable to accommodate for children to be collected from inside the school building.



## CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PACK



The Trans Pennine Trail 2025 Christmas Holiday Activity Pack is bursting with festive fun for families and children and is available free to download from their website at: [TPT Activity Packs | Trans Pennine Trail](https://www.transpenninetrail.co.uk/activities/kids-activity-packs).

# NEXT WEEK'S MENU

## MENU WEEK 2

SERVED W/C: 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov | 24<sup>th</sup> Nov | 15<sup>th</sup> Dec | 5<sup>th</sup> Jan | 6<sup>th</sup> Jan | 16<sup>th</sup> Feb | 9<sup>th</sup> Mar | 30<sup>th</sup> Mar | 20<sup>th</sup> Apr



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|                                 | Monday  | Tuesday                                      | Wednesday                                | Thursday                  | Friday                        |
|---------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>OPTION 1</b><br>MAIN MEAL    | Margherita Pizza & Wedges   | Vegan Sausage with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy   | Vegan Cottage Pie & Gravy                | Baked Mac 'n' Cheese      | Tex-Mex Vegetable Fajita Wrap |
| <b>OPTION 2</b>                 | Salmon Pasta Bake   | Pork & Beef Sausage, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy | Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy | Chicken Curry, Rice       | Oven Baked Fish & Chips       |
| <b>VEGGIES</b>                  | Peas & Sweetcorn  | Carrot & Peas                                | Broccoli & Cauliflower                   | Carrot & Mixed Salad      | Baked Beans                   |
| <b>3</b><br><b>FILLED ROLLS</b> | Cheese  | Cheese                                       | Cheese                                   | Cheese                    | Cheese                        |
| <b>4</b>                        | Ham   | Chicken                                      | Tuna                                     | Ham                       | Ham                           |
| <b>5</b><br>AVAILABLE EVERY DAY | Our crunchy colourful salad & jacket potatoes with cheese, beans, tuna mayo or cheese and beans |  |  |                           |                               |
| <b>SWEET TREATS</b>             | Strawberry Mousse   | Oaty Apple Crumble & Custard                 | Original Flapjack                        | Chocolate & Carrot Muffin | Lemon Sponge & Custard        |

Desserts available every day - a choice of jelly, fruit or yoghurt

### KEY

Nutritionist's Choice

Vegetarian

Vegan

Added Wholewheat




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