



Stocks Green Primary School

'Learning to Live, Living to Learn'

Newsletter - Friday 3rd October

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

I am writing this straight off the back of another wonderful Friday celebration assembly. I have always loved celebrating the achievements of the children with them. However, having the parents join us has just taken this to another level. The children who have gone 'Above and Beyond' in class all week and those who have received our Values Cups just simply beam with pride. Nothing epitomised this more than the smile on Sophie's face today as she went up to collect the Values Cup for Sport. She swelled with pride and it felt so meaningful. I know the parents who have been able to join us so far have all said how much they have enjoyed being a part of it too. Remember, to always look out for emails from the school on a Thursday!

In school at the moment, we are doing a big focus on behaviour and how we can support children to understand the Stocks Green Way. This has involved small tweaks to our Behaviour Policy, such as the changes to recognitions and rewards above. We have also been talking this week in assembly about consequences and how we can have positive consequences from our actions as well as learning opportunities. One of the changes to our Behaviour Policy has been to consider how we can make consequences purposeful and make an impact on future behaviour. As such, we have been considering how we can have natural, educational, restorative and protective consequences and how these can have a more lasting impact on changing behaviours over a simple time out to reflect. For example, a reflection task to consider how calling out repeatedly could impact on the learning of others, could have more impact than a simple 'time out'. Or, the natural consequence of making a mess under a desk and having to clear it up at breaktime, might remind us to 'Maintain our Environment' better than a simple time out to reflect.

All of these changes are being delivered under the mantra of 'What's good for you, is good for me, is good for everyone'. This is the concept that making the world a better place, spreading kindness, helpfulness, generosity and maintaining our environment not only gives us a better feeling (and environment to work in) but also helps everyone else in our community too.

I look forward to sharing a little more about the tweaks and changes that we are making in future newsletters. But it has been really lovely this week to see children responding so thoughtfully to how following the Stocks Green Way makes the school a better community for everyone.

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POLITE REMINDERS

Please remember that the school photographer is in on Monday.

Also, please remind all learners to step off of bikes or scooters as they come through the school gates. It helps to keep everyone safe - thank you!



YEAR 3 EXPLORING GYMNASTICS

PREFECT UPDATE

Over the last couple of weeks at Stocks Green, the children have been working hard throughout their learning and during the preparation for the Harvest Assembly which has been a great success for the St John's Food Bank.

In Year R, they have enjoyed their Maths lessons learning all about patterns. They have been mastering the phoneme T and are starting to blend the S, A and T sounds together. In addition, they have had fun singing and doing the actions to their Harvest song, 'Big Red Combine Harvester'.

Moreover, in Year 3 they have been working very hard lately. In English, they have been focusing on adverbs and commas in lists, and they have used these skills whilst writing instructions. They have shown much interest in Henry Matisse and Paul Klee during their Art lessons.

In recent assemblies, our topic has been if it's good for me, it's good for you, it's good for everyone. This includes our School Rules (ready, respectful and safe) and Values (respectful, honest, resilient, kind and inclusive).

Not to forget our brilliant Harvest Assembly that all the Stocks Green Pupils took part in and have taken pleasure in performing all their incredible songs and performances to the school and many parents.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to updating you in the weeks to come.



SCHOOL COUNCIL CHARITY EVENT

The School Council organised their final fundraising event of their term last week. We had some incredibly talented entries sent in that showed what made each person unique. Below you can see them debating the winners.

After half term, we will be voting in our new School Council. I cannot wait to start working with them and using their ideas to continue to improve the way the school runs.

CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Local MP, Tom Tugendhat, has written to the school to invite the children to create Christmas cards for him. He would like A4 designs using any medium, with the child's name on the front. The four best designs will be chosen to send out to local residents. The four winners will also get 100 copies of their own card and a tour of the Houses of Parliament with their parents. The deadline for this is 31st October. If your child would like to enter, please send their entry to Tom Tugendhat MP, 130 Vale Road, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1SP.



SCHOOL COUNCIL REVIEWING ENTRIES

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IMAGINATIVE PLAY IN OPAL

PLAY



UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

Please remember that the full, and constantly updated list of dates, is on the school website under 'News and Events' - 'Yearly Planner'. It can also be accessed at

<https://www.canva.com/design/DAFM8IPhRVw/8VzWtjH8GL43QK9p2eK6uA/view>



6/10/25 - INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS



8 & 9/10/25 - LIFE BUS WORKSHOPS



13/10/25 - INTRAHOUSE PE EVENT



14/10/25 - PARENTS EVENING



16/10/25 - PARENTS EVENING



17/10/25 - END OF TERM 1



27/10/25 - INSET DAY



28/10/25 - START OF TERM 2 FOR PUPILS



30/10/25 - YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY



31/10/25 - DEADLINE FOR SECONDARY
SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

SUPERSTAR CORNER

Well done to all our hardworking superstars from the last two weeks.

The Values Cup goes to a child who has shown our school values during the week. This term we are focusing on the value of respect.

26/9/25: Liam F - Year 5

3/10/25: Margo W - Year 3

The Values Cup for Sport goes to a child who has shown our school values during a sporting events, such as PE or a tournament, during the week. This term we are focusing on the value of respect.

Values Cup for Sport Winners:

26/9/25: Rowan C-G - Year 3

26/9/25: Sophie H - Year 3

Our 'Above and Beyond' certificates are awarded to those pupils who have gone 'Above and Beyond' with their learning and attitudes in class all week.

Above and Beyond Winners 26/9/25:

Year 1: Sadia A

Year 2: Joey L

Year 3: Finley H

Year 4: Alisa T

Year 5: Euan G

Year 6: Esther C

Above and Beyond Winners 3/10/25:

Year 1: Marcus M

Year 2: Hanga K

Year 3: Holly J

Year 4: Darcey C

Year 5: Toby C

Year 6: Sophie G



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SUPERSTAR CORNER CONTINUED



Well done to Isabella M (Y5) who had a packed last weekend in September. She competed in the Age 9/10 category at Hever Castle, her first triathlon. The water was a chilly 13.8C.

On the Sunday she then had a long day of Irish dance competition. Despite a terrible cold and a wig malfunction she was placed first in two classes in Beginner B category, then managed a 3rd in the more challenging Intermediate Award Reel and 2nd in her Preliminary Dance (in these last two she gets to wear her bling dress!). We're very proud of her achievements and her stamina.

Well done to Amy (Year 2) and Chloe (Year 4) for their participation in the Summer Reading Challenge. Both girls diligently read numerous books to successfully complete the challenge and receive their certificates and medals!



Congratulations to Finn James (Yr 5) on representing Stocks Green for the Tonbridge and Malling School District team. He has been selected to play for the u11 elite squad and was successful in winning the man of the match award on his debut.

