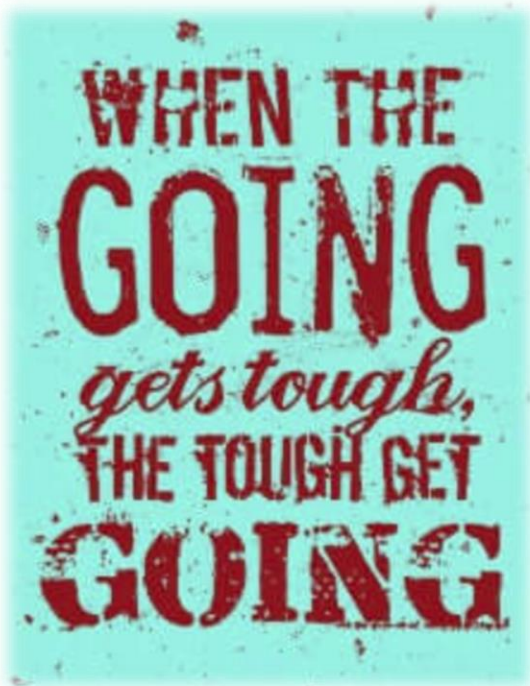




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It is difficult to sum up the emotions of this last academic year in a short paragraph. Right up until this last week, we have coped with unprecedented events that even those of us with years of experience in education could never have imagined.

However, in true SJS spirit, we have risen to the challenge and our amazing pupils have continued to learn and flourish, despite the unusual 'bubble' arrangements in school. That in itself is a testimony to the fact that our incredible children have the strength to shine under any circumstances.

The last day of term is always emotional, but possibly more so this year. For pupils and staff alike, strong bonds have been built in bubbles and saying 'Good-bye' is never easy. It is also the end of an era for our Year 6 pupils. They joined us as tiny Y3s four years ago and leave us today, well-prepared to take the next steps on their academic journey. We will miss them, and wish them every happiness and success in the future.

All there is left to say is that we hope you all have a good summer – we are all ready for a break! Enjoy time with family and friends and, hopefully, some sunshine, and come back prepared for whatever September throws at us!

TO OUR WONDERFUL YEAR 6

We have been together for four great years,
Sharing our hopes, our dreams, and our fears.

Since you arrived in Year 3, time has flown,
Just look back at the photos to see how you've grown.

Journeying together, laughing and growing,
And now off to high school you are going.

A year like this has never been known,
With learning online and staying at home.

It has not been the final year we had hoped,
But we're amazed at your strength and how well
you've coped.

What we have learnt in a time like this,
Is what's truly important and the friends we miss.

Hold on to the memories that we have shared,
Remembering friends and those who cared.

The class of 2021 will hold a place in our heart,
For the courage you've shown right from the start.

You have carried on regardless through these times of
change,
And continued on when things were so strange.

You're moving on to somewhere new,
With the confidence you need to see you through.

We'll always look back, think of you and smile,
The year group with resilience, who went the extra
mile.

And so, Year 6, the time is right,
You're ready to fly, and the future's bright.

New adventures call, and the next chapter's waiting,
Another door opens, opportunities for taking.

Aim high, seize the day; you're second to none,
Good luck to the awesome class of 2021!

FAREWELL

We are sure you would all join us in thanking Miss Pridmore for her hard work and commitment during her year with us at Stocksbridge Junior School. We wish her luck as she begins her new role in September as a teacher in a Sheffield Special School.

SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3AH: William Edwards
- Y3CP: Jenson Shortt
- Y3RD: Freddie Bickers
- Y4KT: Cole Cotterill-Denton
- Y4RL: Milly Turner
- Y5CS: Oliver Green
- Y5DW: Zoe Parsons
- Y5HK: Liam Damms
- Y6ER: Lexi-Jo Donovan
- Y6MC: Henry Sabin
- Y6CH: Tomas O'Neill

Mrs Foster: Maddison Armitage
Mr Tee: Callum Ejogbamu

Lower School Lunchtimes: Lilly-Rae Baguley
Upper School Lunchtimes: Reuben Fletcher

READING AROUND THE WORLD

Y3 - MADRID

Ted Geoff
Sarah Tompkin
Beth Tompkin

Y3 - ROME

Amelia Hodkin

Y3 - BERLIN

Cordelia Hibbert
Tommy Cosetto

Y3 - ATHENS

James Reed
Eadie Gibbins
William Powell
James Gourley
Niamh Siddall
Bronwen Parfitt

Lucy Martin
Alice Wright
Noah Charlesworth
David Staniforth
Oscar Edwards
William Edwards
Martha Sulikowska

Y4 - CAIRO

Freya Bradbury

Y4 - RIYADH

Milly Turner

Y4 - MOSCOW

Milly Turner
Gracie Redwood-Peace

Y4 - NEW DELHI

Milly Turner
Gracie Redwood-Peace
Violet Merrywest
Rosie Brumby

Y5 - BEIJING

Emilia Lakin
Tristan Thompson
Brandon Pilgrim

Y5 - KUALA LUMPUR

Molly Hayward
Jack Gill

Y5 - CANBERRA

Jack Clark
Kira Green
Tayla Corcoran
Jack Gill

Y5 - WELLINGTON

Luke Warnock

Y5 - HONOLULU

Ewa Sobczak
Flynn Micklethwaite
Ellie Gaymond
Charlie Butcher
Samson Willis

Oliver Green
Luke Warnock
Molly Shaw
Samuel Smith
Felix Bond

WORD MILLIONAIRES

We have some last minute additions to our roll of Word Millionaires! Congratulations to Samuel Smith and Tomasz O'Brien for reading over 1 million words this year and also to Fiona Woodcock who has now reached word MULTI-millionaire status!

SPELLING BEE 2021

There have been many twists and turns with this year's Spelling Bee with children participating in class whilst other's competed remotely.

We have been so impressed with children's determination and commitment to learn their words and participate fairly, especially those children who were learning remotely and/or have been feeling under the weather. Thank you also to our wonderful parents for your support in learning the word lists.

Specific congratulations to the following children who have achieved the highest scores (and possibly had to take part in a head-to-head knockout using unseen words) in each class:

Y3RD

James Gourley & Thomas Fox

Y3AH

Niall Pritchett & Aurelia Cottam

Y3CP

Darcy Hague & Sophie Clough

Y4KT

James Kelland & Alfie Jackson

Y4RL

Faith Skelland & Gracie Redwood-Peace

Y5HK

Mason Walker & Ewa Sobczak

Y5CS

Tomasz O'Brien & Lucas Emson-Brown

Y5DW

Oliver Cunningham & Zoe Parsons

Y6ER

Freya Hollis & Courtney Brook-Davids

Y6MC

Olivia Clough & Lois Wild

Y6CH

Finn Pritchett & Ava Hughes



ARRANGEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

The latest guidance for schools has been released in advance of September, however, there are many questions which remain unanswered and, as you know as well as we do, things can change very quickly! We will be awaiting clarity of the finer details from the Department for Education and Public Health over the summer holidays and will then write to parents before school starts in September with any further updates.

CHANGES TO CONTACT TRACING IN EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE SETTINGS

As you know, the Prime Minister announced on 12 July that Step 4 of the roadmap would go ahead on Monday 19th July. One of the key changes that will take place from 19th July is that education and childcare settings will no longer be asked to conduct routine contact tracing. **In a nutshell, if we are informed of a positive case in school on or after Monday, we will not be required to close a bubble!** As with positive cases in any other setting, NHS Test and Trace will work with either the positive case to identify close contacts.

Please see the letter sent via ParentMail earlier today which sets out in more detail how that process will work and what you need to do if your child tests positive for COVID-19.

SHEFFIELD CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY



Alongside the Festival of Fun 2021, Sheffield Children's University are really pleased to be able to bring you our CU Passport Activity Newsletter which is full of activities, events and ideas to keep your children, young people and families occupied over the summer. Please find it online here:

<https://bit.ly/SCUSummerPassportNewsletter2021>

There are holiday camps and clubs, sports, the Summer Reading Challenge, discovering wildlife and nature, dance and drama, arts and crafts, music and circus skills. There are also some activities being run especially for children with special educational needs and disabilities. Why not take a look?

All activities will earn CU credits if children have a CU Passport to Learning, which will all go towards their CU awards. Some activities are charged for while others are free. And don't forget, there is the CU Festival of Fun happening right across the summer as well as the Bears of Sheffield Trail!

CU Festival of Fun: <https://bit.ly/CUFestivalofFun2021>

Bears of Sheffield activities: <https://bit.ly/SCUBearsofSheffield2021>

THE SHEFFIELD LIBRARIES READING CHALLENGE

Sheffield Libraries are really excited to invite children to take part in their very own Sheffield Libraries Reading Challenge. The aim of the challenge is to encourage children to keep reading over the long summer holiday and to nurture a lifelong love of reading for pleasure. The fabulous Sheffield based illustrator Lydia Monks (whose books include 'What the Ladybird Heard', 'Aaaarrggghh! Spider!' and 'Sharing Shell') has created the design for our challenge which is themed around wild animals and wildlife.

It's free for children to take part in the challenge, they can sign up at their local library and is suitable for children from birth to 11 years of age. All children have to do is read four books of their choice, collecting a sticker for each book that they read. These can then be added to their very own colourful collectors folder. On completion of

The Sheffield Reading Challenge children will receive a certificate and a limited edition pin badge.

All children with a Children's University Passport to Learning will receive one credit for each book that they read towards the challenge.

The Sheffield Reading Challenge will be launched in all libraries on Saturday 17th July.

SHEFFIELD HEALTHY HOLIDAYS



Sheffield Healthy Holidays is all about trying activities and eating food that does us good! Sheffield children and young people eligible for free school meals can now choose from a huge range of fun free activities happening across the city throughout the summer holidays – all completely FREE!

Plus the Sheffield Healthy Holidays online club is open to all Sheffield children and young people, with loads of ideas to get active throughout the summer click to

<https://sheffieldhealthyholidays.org/>

2021-22 TERM DATES

A reminder of next academic year's calendar. We look forward to welcoming our children into school on Thursday 2nd September!

September (22 Days)

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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27	28	29	30			

October (16 Days)

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November (22 Days)

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December (13 Days)

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January (20 days)

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February (15 days)

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March (23 Days)

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April (10 Days)

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May (19 Days)

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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June (19 Days)

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July (16 Days)

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August

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Denotes School Holiday Dates

Denotes Bank Holidays

Denotes School Curriculum Days (Five days plus one day in lieu of the extra bank holiday)

Meet the Busy Bugs with Poet James Carter!

Hey there kids! Wriggle on down for a creepy & crawly lively online session of bugs of every kind from bees to ladybirds to dung beetles and beyond! There'll be music as well as poems, rhymes and riddles aplenty. James will read from his collection, *Hey, Little Bug!* And to finish James will show you how to write your very own bug shaped poem.



We are really pleased to be welcoming James back to Sheffield Libraries, come on down and meet the minibeasts at an online activity on Wednesday 11th August 2.00-2.45pm. This is a free activity suitable for children 4-8 years of age and their families. Places can be booked via Eventbrite. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/meet-the-busy-bugs-with-poet-james-carter-tickets-161068162209>

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Lydia Monks Story and Draw Along!



Lydia Monks is a Sheffield based award winning, best selling illustrator behind the hugely successful 'What the Ladybird Heard' as well as 'The Singing Mouse', 'Eeeeeek, Mouse!' and 'Babbit'. Come and join Lydia on Tuesday 24th August 2-2.30pm for an online story and draw along based on her latest book 'What the Ladybird Heard at the Seaside'. This is a free session suitable for children aged 3 years plus and their families. Places can be booked via Eventbrite. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/story-and-draw-along-with-illustrator-lydia-monks-tickets-160985721627>

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**Celebrate planet Earth and all the wonders of nature
with this interactive performance and workshop,
created by storyteller, Robin Simpson.
An online event for children taking place on
Monday 2nd August 2-2.45pm**



Listen to and join in with stories about nature from around the world with storyteller Robin Simpson. Suitable for children 7 and upwards.

Listen to a performance of 'The Porcupine', a very silly poem by Roald Dahl, from his book, Dirty Beasts!

Discover all about endangered species and how we can help them in an interactive quiz.

Learn what YOU can do to protect the environment and become inspired by our amazing planet.

You'll have a wild time!

To book your place please visit the Eventbrite website.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/celebrate-the-earth-and-nature-with-storyteller-robin-simpson-tickets-161609218523>

In association with the Roald Dahl Story co.

www.roalddahl.com

"Stories are good for you. Roald Dahl said, "If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely."

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Go Wild This Summer with Our Animal Themed Online Children's Activities!

Get Wild This Summer with Our Online Animal Themed Children's Craft Activities!

Suitable for children aged 8 years and above. Places can be booked via Eventbrite where you will also be able to see what materials you will need to complete the crafts.

Tues 20th July, 10.30-10.45am. Create a Jungle Diorama, what animals will you see?

Book your place via this link.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/childrens-online-craft-activity-tickets-161876792845>

Mon 26th July, 10.30-10.45am. Come and make a Feed the Lion game and then invite your family to play!

Book your place via this link.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/go-wild-this-summer-a-our-childrens-online-craft-activity-tickets-161877864049>

Mon 9th Aug, 10.30-10.45am. Create some fabulous animal art using materials that you will find at home.

Book your place via this link.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/go-wild-this-summer-at-our-childrens-online-craft-activity-tickets-161879609269>

THE SHEFFIELD LIBRARIES READING CHALLENGE

COMING TO A LIBRARY NEAR YOU ON SATURDAY 17TH JULY 2021!



It's **FREE** to sign up to The Sheffield Reading Challenge. Suitable for children from birth to 11 years of age. Just ask at your local library.

All you have to do is read four books of your choice during the summer.

Collect a sticker for each book that you read and add it to your collector's folder.

Receive a certificate and limited edition pin badge on completion.

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