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We often hear the message, 'Be Kind' repeated around school. Within our school values, REACH, the R represents Respect, encouraging our children to 'always consider others – their needs, feelings, qualities and achievements'.

Finding real-life examples to explain this to the children can be difficult. However, our Macmillan Coffee Morning today exemplified the way our SJS family always rally together to show their kindness in supporting this worthwhile charity.

Unfortunately, most people's lives have been touched by cancer in some way. The support Macmillan gives to people in these difficult times is second to none, and your kindness providing the funding for this support is invaluable.



Let's not forget that a little bit of kindness makes a massive difference.

SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3AH: Alfie Hanson
- Y4KT: Olivia Walker
- Y5FP: Max Wilson
- Y6CG: Akash Sajid
- Y3CS/AW: Sonny Bradbury
- Y4MH: Charlie Sabin
- Y5GG: Chester Parsons
- Y6ER: Freya Bradbury
- Y4OS: Louie Beechill
- Y5HK: Kira-Lace Howson
- Y6RD: Faith Skelland

Miss Sheehan: George Spencer
Mr Tee: Finlay Brown

Y3/4 Yard: Ava Jones
Y5/6 Yard: Oscar Edwards
Dining-Room: David Staniforth

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 – Monday 10th October, 9:15am - 10:00am
- Year 4 – Tuesday 11th October, 9:15am - 10:00am
- Year 5 – Wednesday 12th October, 9:15am - 10:00am
- Year 6 – Thursday 13th October, 9:15am - 10:00am

Refreshments will be available for parents in the hall from 8:4am. We are also hoping to take this opportunity to share information about reading in school whilst the children are being registered.

To allow us to set up the classroom in advance, please indicate via ParentMail if you are able to join us for this event. The event booking system will be live on ParentMail next week.

PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' Evening will take place during the week beginning Monday 17th October.

Following positive feedback about last year's Spring term parents' meetings, we will be offering the opportunity for parents to opt for either a video appointment or a face-to-face appointment.

This term's Parents' Evening bookings will go live on ParentMail at 4pm on Friday 7th October. When booking your appointment, please select carefully according to your preference of video or face-to-face appointment.

	Face-to-Face Appointments	Video Appointments
Year 3	Wednesday 19 th October, 2:00pm-6:00pm	Tuesday 18 th October, 3:30pm-6:00pm
Year 4	Tuesday 18 th October, 2:00pm-6:00pm	Wednesday 19 th October, 3:30pm-6:00pm
Year 5	Monday 17 th October, 2:00pm-6:00pm	Wednesday 19 th October, 3:30pm-6:00pm
Year 6	Thursday 20 th October, 2:00pm-6:00pm	Tuesday 18 th October, 3:30pm-6:00pm

Video Appointments:

- Video appointments will use ParentMail's video call facility. To access an online appointment, login to ParentMail and click the 'join' option next to your appointment information.
- Please join the video call on time as each 10-minute slot begins at the scheduled time rather than when you join the call. An onscreen timer will show the time remaining.

RESIDENTIALS

Planning and preparation is well underway for this academic year's residential trips.

- **Y3** – Letters have been sent home recently offering our Y3 children the opportunity to secure a place on this year's Kingswood trip. If your child would like to attend, please ensure your initial instalment of £50 has been paid on ParentMail by Friday 14th October.
- **Y4** - Our Y4 children are off to Whitby from Wednesday 9th November until Friday 11th November. We will be sending a final letter home before half term providing finer details, a packing list and children's groups.
- **Y5** – This week, children have received a letter about the London residential, which is taking place on the 7th and 8th June 2023. The initial instalment of £100 needs to be paid on ParentMail by Friday 21st October to secure your child's place.
- **Y6** – This year's Robinwood trip has been arranged for 23rd until 25th June 2023. To secure a place on this trip, parents are invited to process their child's initial instalment of £91 on ParentMail no later than Friday 21st October.

PHONICS DECODABLE BOOKS

To support pupil's reading skills, some of our pupils are having daily phonics interventions. In school, we use 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised' to deliver phonics teaching.

Pupils who are having taught phonics sessions will be bringing home a decodable book on Fridays, as well as their usual reading book. We request that parents/carers please listen to their child reading their decodable book at least 3 times a week before it is returned to school the following Friday. These books have been carefully matched to your child's phonics level, so regular re-reading to an adult will greatly support their reading skills.

In addition, a short guide to all the sounds that the children will be learning in their phonics lessons has been sent home this week to pupils accessing phonics lessons.

Please see the Little Wandle parent page for further information on how to support your child with their phonics: <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

UNIFORM POLICY

It is now a statutory requirement for schools to publish their uniform policy which includes how a school tackles non-compliance and also supports vulnerable pupils. Our Uniform Policy has now been ratified by governors and can be viewed on our school website: <https://www.stocksbridge-jun.sheffield.sch.uk/uniform/>

We would like to reassure parents that we have not made any changes to the uniform children are required to wear and we will continue to host pre-loved uniform sales to support families and to recycle school clothing. We will, however, be implementing the following procedure for addressing non-compliance:

- If a child is not wearing appropriate school uniform, children are issued with a note for parents to request that the breach is remedied for the next school day.
- If a child repeatedly breaches the school uniform policy, a telephone call should be made to discuss what support could be provided to ensure the pupil is in appropriate school uniform.

Please also note: Whilst our uniform stockist, Logo Leisurewear, offer an embroidery service on our PE hoodies, we have requested that they only embroider a child's initials and not full names. This is to safeguard the identity of our pupils when wearing their hoodies outside of school.

Thank you for supporting school by ensuring your child is wearing the correct uniform to school each day.

CONTACTING SCHOOL

When you contact us by telephone or in person, the office staff will ask you about your query. This is to find out which staff member is most able to help or to give you the correct information. It is unlikely that you will be able to speak to staff during lesson time and office staff will take details and pass messages on.

Class Teachers

The class teacher is always your first point of contact as they have the most up-to-date knowledge of your child. We politely request that you avoid lengthy conversations with class teachers in the mornings as they are unable to give you their full attention. Class teachers are more available at the end of the school day without their class present. You are also welcome to email your child's class teacher directly for them to respond at their earliest opportunity.

Senior Teachers

Each year group has a more experienced teacher, who will be your next point of contact after class teachers. In Year 3, this is Mrs Woods and in Year 4, this is Miss Taylor. In Year 5, this is Miss Killen and in Year 6, this is Miss Robinson or Miss Davy.

Whole School Contacts

Mrs Gaymond is the Headteacher, Mrs Ross is the Deputy Headteacher and Mrs Woods is the Assistant Headteacher. They will be informed if further support is required for any issue throughout the school.

Mrs Woods is also responsible for the education of our children with special educational needs and can be contacted regarding additional support or assessments.

Mrs Ross is our Designated Safeguarding Lead who can be contacted regarding the safety and well-being of your child or another child you may have concerns about. Martin Booth is our Safeguarding Governor.

Mrs Lea-Jones (supported by Mr Dale Edwardes) is responsible for monitoring children's attendance and implementing attendance procedures.

Mrs Birley is the Business Manager and can be contacted for information about any administrative issues and for general school information.

Most teaching staff lead a curriculum subject and/or a whole school initiative. If there is a specific subject you are keen to find out more about or have a particular interest in providing support or volunteering in school, please speak to a member of our school office team as they will be able to direct you to the appropriate person.

We hope you will find these lines of communication helpful and that your queries, big or small, are dealt with effectively.

YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6 BRITISH CYCLING ROADSHOW

On Friday 7th October, we are very excited to have British Cycling come into school to support our Year 5 & Year 6 children in their bike riding skills. This is a fantastic opportunity for children of any ability to take part in technical coaching sessions and be involved in fun activities and races. Children who are not confident cyclists will be supported during the sessions to develop their balance and control of the bike. Each class will have a 45-minute lesson during the school day so please ensure your child has suitable footwear for cycling on the field and a warm, waterproof coat, if the weather is wet.

We would like to encourage children who have bikes and helmets to cycle to school on the day, however, we do have a small collection of bikes and helmets, if required.

CYCLE TO SCHOOL



Cycle to School Week

3 - 7 October 2022

MAKE YOUR PLEDGE NOW!



Submit your Cycle to School Week pledge now to be in with the chance to win a brand new Frog City 61 Bike!

Visit bikeability.org.uk/cycletoschoolweek



#CycleToSchoolWeek

TOTALLY RAD MUSIC LESSONS

Totally RAD Schools will be coming to Stocksbridge Junior School to inspire and teach the next generation of music legends. Totally RAD will be offering 1:1 and small group Guitar, Piano, Drum, Violin, Ukulele & Vocal lessons, taught on-site during lesson times by professional musicians at competitive prices.

For more information and to sign up visit: <https://totallyradschools.wufoo.com/forms/zkpg55h15worje/>
If you have any questions or need help booking your music lessons, please contact us directly at sales@totallyradmusic.co.uk.

CROSS COUNTRY

If your child is interested in representing Stocksbridge Junior School at this year's Cross Country fixtures, please join us for the second race of the season this Saturday!

- Race 2 - Saturday 1st October, Parkwood Springs
- Race 3 - Saturday 8th October, Concord Park
- Race 4 - Saturday 12th November, Bradfield School
- Race 5 - Saturday 26th November, Norfolk Park
- Race 6 – Saturday 21st January, Brunswick Primary School
- Race 7 – Saturday 4th February, Longley Park
- Cross Country Championship & Presentations at Graves Park - Saturday 25th February








Races start at 10:00am, so a 9:30am meet will give the children enough time to check in, see the course and warm up. Suitable running clothing and appropriate footwear such as trainers/spikes or football boots are advisable, along with a warm change of clothes for afterwards.

Letters will be given out to children prior to each race with more detailed information that is specific for each race. Although Miss Hague will be available at each race to co-ordinate our runners - look out for her the Stocksbridge Junior School flag - parents are required to stay at the event with their child.

NATIONAL CHILD MEASUREMENT PROGRAMME

This week, a letter has been sent electronically to parents of our Year 6 pupils from the Sheffield School Nursing Service. The letter provides information about the National Child Measurement programme.

NEXT WEEK'S MENU

WEEK 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN DISH	Cheese pizza & potato wedges	 Chicken and vegetable pie with mashed potato	Roast chicken with Yorkshire puddings, roast potatoes and gravy	 Chicken tikka masala with brown rice	Fish fingers & chips
VEGETARIAN MAIN DISH	BBQ bean & cheese wrap & potato wedges	Sweet potato and vegetable hot pot 	Vegetarian toad in the hole with roast potatoes and gravy	Quorn™ lasagne with crusty bread	Quorn™ nuggets with chips
ACCOMPANIMENTS	 Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar	Seasonal vegetables Salad bar
DESSERTS	Shortbread biscuit 	Mango and banana muffin	Ginger biscuit with fresh fruit 	Oaty apple crumble and custard 	Fresh fruit scone
FRESH FRUIT OR YOGHURT	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt	Fresh fruit or yoghurt
JACKET POTATO & SANDWICH SELECTION	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings	Jacket potato with a choice of fillings

10 tips for parents and carers

HOW TO BE GREEN WITH YOUR TECH

Right now, humans aren't living sustainably: we're taking too many resources and not leaving the world in a fit state for future generations. Old tech products are a clear example: if we throw them away, the poisonous lead and mercury inside can get into the food chain through the soil. Recycling tech, though, has its own issues: it's often exported to countries where the law doesn't protect people from hazards. Whole villages (including children) sort through discarded devices to remove useful parts and substances like gold, silver and copper – often putting their health at risk. Finding ways to re-use tech is the greenest option.

So what can we do with those cupboards and drawers full of old phones and unwanted computers?
Reuse, recycle, donate or sell them!

1 DONATE THEM TO CHARITY

There are lots of charities that redistribute unwanted tech to worthy causes, either in the UK or in developing nations. If your old products are still working, this is a great option – as it means that new products don't have to be made. Search online for your nearest place that does this.

2 REMEMBER THE BATTERIES

Almost all batteries can be recycled – even the little 'button' ones from smaller gadgets. You could choose a box at home or school to keep used batteries in, and then take them to a designated place that collects them. Be very careful, though – button cells can be deadly if eaten by small children or pets.

3 USE YOUR ONLINE SAFETY KNOWLEDGE

If you're recycling, selling or repurposing any of your devices, make sure that all your personal data, private photos and so on have been deleted before the tech leaves your hands or is connected online.

4 REUSE THEM

Old smartphones can be used as webcams, security cameras, baby monitors or pet cams: there are apps that will configure them to do this. You can also turn an outdated phone into a TV remote control, an alarm clock that wakes you up with your favourite track, or a media centre you can take to places where you wouldn't risk your new phone.

5 TURN IT INTO SOMETHING NEW

Smartphones are more powerful than most older computers. If you have an unwanted android phone, it's quite easy to create a new computer – you could use an old TV as a monitor, meaning you just need a mouse and keyboard. There are also small devices you can buy which let you do the same with iPhones.

6 RETURN THEM

Return devices to the manufacturer or retailer you bought them from. Some manufacturers take responsibility for their products and accept them back, to refurbish and redistribute. If they don't, you could contact them and ask why: the more consumer pressure there is on shops and manufacturers, the more likely they are to act in a greener way.

7 SUPPORT SCIENCE

Let your old devices help modern research. Scientists currently investigating topics like far-off star systems, cancer treatment and earthquakes need enormous computing power. If your unwanted device is WiFi enabled, for example, you can connect it to a network so that it can boost scientists' research.

8 SELL THEM

This is also a green option as it means that fewer devices have to be produced. On top of that, you could also donate some of the money you make to an environmental charity.

9 RESEARCH DISPOSAL METHODS

If your device is beyond repair and no one wants it, get rid of it safely through a specialist tech disposal company. Check that your device won't be shipped off to another country for processing.

10 KEEP THINKING

There's no such thing as 'too many' ways to help our planet! If you come up with a better idea than ours, contact National Online Safety and tell us.

Meet Our Expert

Neil Atkin teaches scientific literacy through his non-profit organisation, Rubbish Science, which engages people in working together to live more sustainably and creatively uses waste to help address real-life problems. There are a range of environmental activities you may like to try on their website: www.rubbishscience.com.



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USEFUL LINKS: Places to donate old electrical items: www.recyleyourelectricals.org.uk/donate-electrical-goods | How to turn an old smartphone into a computer: www.makeuseof.com/tag/ways-turn-smartphone-into-pc
The rules about shops' responsibilities on tech: www.gov.uk/electrical-waste-producer-supplier-responsibilities | Two scientific research schemes which old devices can support: www.zooniverse.org/get-involved and www.vodafone.co.uk/mobile/dreamlab | Find your local tech recycling centre www.recyclenow.com



A new Community Shop

Food Matters

Stocksbridge Food Bank

Your views about the future Community Shop

The Stocksbridge Food Bank is planning to move the Food Bank to Cedar Road, and open a Community Shop and Cafe there. We are hoping to have it at The Christian Centre. This is not all agreed yet, so we are asking you for your opinions first.

If it is, we will have a shop and a café open to everyone, perhaps five mornings a week, and seats outside to share a coffee so that you can have a coffee and cake and snacks, perhaps using some of the rescued food, at the same time as you use the Community Shop.

The Community Shop will be open to everyone, and it will still provide the Food Bank for people in urgent need of food.

The shop will have food donated by Supermarkets that they are not going to sell. It will not be past safe dates; it is more their stock they do not want. It will vary each week, depending on what the Supermarkets have for us.

Anyone can be a member of the Community Shop. You will not need a referral as you do for the Food Bank. You will be helping stop waste.

We will be distributing the surplus food very cheaply. You might need to pay a donation of £2 to £3, and then put 10 items in a carrier, including fresh meat, tins, frozen items, coffee and other things. We haven't worked out the details yet

You can choose for yourself what you need.

We hope the shop and café can be open for half a day on weekdays and on Saturday morning.

We'd like to know what you think about these ideas.

Food Bank website at www.Stocksbridgefoodbank.org for more details

Please circle one option on each question

Do you think it would be good to have a community shop like this?

Yes No Doesn't matter

Would you use the Community Shop?

Yes No Maybe

Do you think it would be better if you did not have to get a referral?

Yes No Don't mind

Would you prefer to choose for yourself what you take away?

Yes No Don't mind

Would you use the Community Café?

Yes No Maybe

Please circle the times you think the shop should be open

Mornings Afternoons

Would it be better for you if you could use it on a Saturday morning?

Yes No Maybe

Thank you for sharing your ideas

A Final Question...

Would you like to volunteer to help the shop when we get it open?

If you would please give us a way of contacting you.

Please drop your survey reply in at the Stocksbridge Library, where there is a box for them.

Thank you for your help.



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NETBALL YOUTH CAMP BUZZ & BOO!

HALLOWEEN
EDITION

University of Sheffield - 25th October 22

Sport Sheffield, Goodwin Sports Centre,
132 Northumberland Rd, Sheffield S10 2TY
Ages 9-11, 9am - 2 pm



**Book a place through the
England Netball Session Finder!**

£35 EN member/£40 non EN member

For more information, contact:

Beccy.lewis@englandnetball.co.uk



BEAVERS

Tuesday's

4.45 to 5.45pm

Ages. 6 to 8 yrs.

cubs

Tuesday's

6.15 to 7.45pm

Ages. 8 to 10 yrs.

SCOUTS

Tuesday's

7.30 to 9.00pm

Ages. 10 to 14 yrs.

If you are interested in signing up to any of our sections, please contact Thomas on:

07713660999

stocksbridgescouts@gmail.com

Scouts
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Stocksbridge)



Stocksbridge Youth Centre, Coal Pit Lane, Stocksbridge, S36 1AW