

The Stockingford Buzz



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Dear Parents,

I hope you are all well and keeping safe as we continue with these challenging times. All the staff are working tirelessly to ensure that all children—both in and out of school, are receiving work which is engaging, challenging and appropriate.

I am aware that you are receiving a lot of information at the moment. Hopefully this will ease off as we all get used to this new way of working. Should any concerns arise whether it be about home learning, IT support or family wellbeing, please make sure that you get in touch with us so we can help resolve them. It's an incredibly unsettling time and I truly believe the way we get through it is by working together and supporting each other.

Whilst we may not always get things right straight away, we are certainly trying our best and won't stop until it is right. If you feel there is anything which we can improve on, please let me know.

This week we say 'goodbye' to Mrs Wright. Mrs Wright has been a wonderful member of our school staff for many years and she will be greatly missed by the pupils, parents and her colleagues. We wish her all the best in her next adventure with her family business.

Thank you for your continue support.
Mrs Bowser

Class Dojo

We are delighted to see that so many pupils are engaging with class dojo. You are certainly keeping teachers busy! Please make sure that you upload a piece of work onto Dojo. You can do this by taking a photo of your work and uploading it onto your class page.

Assembly Theme

In our assembly this week, Miss Banes talked about how we manage our feelings—especially when we feel angry. Sometimes it can feel like we inflate like a balloon until we are ready to pop! It's perfectly normal to feel frustrated or upset or angry but rather than losing our temper, what can we do instead? The children came up with some really good ideas:

- Count to ten calmly and slowly
- Ask an adult you live with for a cuddle
- Find a safe space and have some time out
- Outline your handspan with your finger as you breathe in and out
- Talk to someone about how you are feeling

These are all excellent strategies and can really help both children and adults in times of stress and chaos.

Free School Meals

Any child who is currently learning from home and is in receipt of Pupil Premium Funding, is entitled to Free School Meals. If you think you might be eligible, please go to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>.

The voucher will be sent to parents as an e-code via email. Please keep an eye out for these.



School Times

For all pupils working in school:

8.45am—3.00pm.

Please wear your facemask when on school site.

Wraparound Times

7.45am -8.45am 3.00pm—4.30pm

Birthday Zone (15th—21st January)

Cody Y6	Lewys Y1	Darcie Y6	Gracie-May Y3
Edward Y6	David Y3	Xander Y1	Kacey leigh Y3
Emma Y6	Libby-Mai Y2	Peter Y2	Adam Y5
Mia Rose Y1			



All Things Technical

Technical Issues

It seems that all schools across the country have been having technical issues. School systems are not designed to support so much traffic so we are having a few hiccups. We apologise for any frustration this is causing you. Please be assured that our IT teams at Stockingford and across the Trust are working tirelessly to try and get things sorted for us all. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Laptops

We are expecting some new laptops to arrive at school soon. If you have already contacted school requesting one, you will be hearing from us soon, If you feel your child would benefit from a laptop, please contact school using covid@stockingfordacademy.org.

Data and 4G

As part of the DfE support for technology, parents who don't have access to remote education may be eligible for either: Extra data for mobile devices (certain networks only) or 4G wireless routers. If you do not have fixed broadband at home, have access to a mobile device that uses a participating network, and are experiencing disruption to their face-to-face education please get in touch us using the email address covid@stockingfordacademy.org.

Please bear with us whilst we process all requests

Tablets and Xbox

An alternative way of accessing Remote Learning is through an Xbox or PlayStation. The key details are as follows:

Xbox

1. Plug a keyboard into the Xbox USB slot.
2. Go to my games and apps.
3. Find and select Microsoft Edge.
4. Navigate to your online learning platform.

PlayStation

1. Identify the PlayStation internet browser icon (WWW with dots around it).
2. Press the PlayStation logo on the controller.
3. Go to the library and find options for games and applications.
4. Go to applications and you will find the internet browser.

Navigate to your online learning platform and log in as usual

"You are *braver* than you believe, *stronger* than you seem, and *smarter* than you think."

CHRISTOPHER ROBIN
WINNIE THE POOH



IF YOU CAN
DREAM IT,
YOU CAN
DO IT.

- WALT DISNEY

