

Stockport Grammar Junior School NEWSLETTER



30th June 2017

Welcome to the final edition of our Newsletter this school year. After all the days where everyone was complaining about the heat, the north got its own back this week! Unfortunately, this led to the cancellation of our Junior Sports Day, although we are providing the children with competitions through their timetabled Games lessons. Infant Sports Day was able to go ahead and it was lovely to see all the children having such a fun afternoon. My thanks to the SPA for providing refreshments and to the many parents and relatives who came to support. Monday's Performing Arts Revue was another great success with a varied programme of music and drama which thoroughly entertained us all. Our recent House Music Final also made clear just how much talent there is in the school with performances in a wide range of styles on a range of instruments. On the sports field, man congratulations to our boys who won the IAPS 6 a side competition and then the following day also played in the final of the AJIS competition. Next week, Y3 have their show on Monday afternoon and then on Wednesday it is our annual prize giving. This year's guest of honour is Wendy Tarplee-Morris, who is one of the founders of the charity *The Little Princess Trust*. Wendy not only continues to serve as a trustee but is also the charity's case manager. We are very much looking forward to her visit next week. *The Little Princess Trust* was one of the charities chosen for this year's 'charity day'. The House Captains did an excellent job of organising the day, with each house wearing something associated with their chosen charity and the House Captains arranging various sales and competitions. I am sure everyone is looking forward to the end of term and may I take this opportunity to wish everyone a lovely summer.

The Week Ahead

Monday 3 rd July	Y3 Show	Hallam Hall	2.45-3.30pm
Wednesday 5 th July	Y3-6 Prize Giving	Dining Hall	7.00-8.00pm
Thursday 6 th July	End of Summer Term		11.30am

Infant Sports Day

Infant Sports Day gave our youngest children the opportunity to showcase their developing running, jumping and throwing skills. They competed against their friends in nerf howler throw, sack race, relay and hurdles before finishing with the sprint races as a grandstand event. Our Nursery children also tried hurdles, a bean bag throw and a shopping race. The children enjoyed their afternoon of activities and tried their hardest to show their watching supporters how their skills had improved. It was a great afternoon with plenty of fun and laughter and the children earning numerous stickers. Many thanks to the SPA for providing refreshments and to our Y6 children who supported and encouraged their younger counterparts.



Holiday Care

Please note, Summer Holiday Care is in the Woodsmoor Building on the Senior School site each day and not in the Junior School. Miss Jones will meet you for the morning drop off outside the swimming pool main doors.

Prize Giving

We look forward to welcoming all Y3-6 children and their families to our annual Prize Giving Evening in the Dining Hall on Wednesday 5th July 7.00-8.00pm.

After School Clubs

Please note there will be no after school clubs running during the last week of term. Please remember to let the school office know of any home time arrangements you may have for your child, particularly if they are to catch the school bus home or use 'Collection'. After School Care will be available as usual on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Cricketing Success

The IAPS 6 a side competition was once again hosted by SGJS last week. Due to poor weather in Cumbria, Hunter Hall withdrew on the day, leaving four schools to compete, Altrincham Prep, St. Ambrose, Pownall Hall and SGJS. Both SGJS and Altrincham won their first two games, leaving the last match of the mini-league as, effectively, the final. There followed very mature batting performances by William Francis and Dominic Hanson. This included excellent running between the wickets as well as powerful shots and their 50 partnership was the bed rock of a final total of 54 in the allotted 6 overs. An equally competent all round bowling and fielding effort brought an SGJS victory by 10 runs and saw them lift the trophy.



Unfortunately the outcome was not as favourable the following day. A very strong Manchester Grammar School arrived for the AJIS Cup final. After defeating King's Chester and Cheadle Hulme on the way to the final, the SGJS boys were in high spirits, but they were beaten by a stronger side on the day.

Hitting all the Right Notes

Congratulations to Warren House who were crowned the overall winners of the Junior School's biennial House Music Competition. The contest, which was judged by Mr Dow, the Senior School's Director of Music, was of a very high standard. Congratulations to the individual year group winners:

Y3: Clara Zelfhof

Y4: Harrison Wilson

Y5: Jack Dyson

Y6: Darcy Breen



Sweet Temptation in Y6



Y6 have been doing 'Sweet Science' this term. During a classification topic, they constructed keys to identify liquorice allsorts, midget gems, humbugs and glacier mints. A really fun lesson and they all resisted the huge temptation to eat them!

Fishy Art in Reception

Parents and family members recently joined our Reception children for an Art afternoon. There was a 'fishy' theme to proceedings with the budding artists colouring in, cutting and gluing fabrics to their paper fishes, sewing materials to their stuffed animals and adding their own designs to rainbow fish cupcakes!



Baby Woodrow

Congratulations to Caroline Woodrow and her husband Will on the safe arrival of their daughter, Connie, who was born on 14th June weighing 5lb 14oz. Mum and baby are doing well and we're told she's attended her first BBQ of the summer already!



Cricketing Big Hitter

Former England Cricket Captain Alec Stewart spent time watching the Junior teams train this week. Mr Stewart, who played in 133 Test Matches and 170 One Day Internationals, gave the boys some useful tips to improve their game.



Y6 Mind Their own Business

Senior school Business and Economic teachers Miss Curl and Mr Young visited the Junior School to hold a number of enterprise sessions with Y6 pupils. After learning about the basics of business, the boys and girls were split into teams and tasked to design a sports kit. Whilst doing this, they needed to think about their brand's name, logo and a slogan and they had to create a poster. As well as exercising their creative skills, their mathematical ability was put to the test as they estimated the cost of the product, decided on a selling price and calculating their estimated profit. There were some great ideas and designs with a range of sports covered including cricket, netball, climbing, football, sailing and even Quidditch!



Y1 PPPPick up a PPPenguin



Y1 children have been learning about continents in their Geography lessons. They also looked at where different animals live around the world. Our children enjoyed finding out about penguins and sculpting their own from clay. Here are a few finished ones and we love them! Don't you?



BITESIZE BATTLEFIELD CHALLENGE

FOR AGES 4-6 (PARENT ASSISTED) AND 7-15

KIDS OBSTACLE MUD RUN

23-24TH SEPTEMBER 2017
UNIVERSITY OF SALFORD,
MANCHESTER

ARE YOU UP FOR IT?

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Slaver Radio's Cash for Kids registered charity 1122062 (England & NI), SC041423 (East Scotland) and SC003334 (West Scotland).

Performing Arts Festival

The annual summer Performing Arts Festival last week was light hearted and varied in its content and style. The Orchestra and Junior Choir went for jazzy styles and numbers, whilst we were entertained with trios and duets from groups of Y6 pupils, ranging from Mozart to Ragtime.

Mrs Marston's LAMDA pupils performed some short poems, the Ukulele group strummed a *Tuneful Tune* and the percussion group provided us with a sound piece evoking a journey through a tree jungle. The end result was a relaxing and informal start to a summer evening. Well done to all our pupils involved.



House Charity Day

Our children had a fun and innovative Charity Day last week, raising money for their chosen causes. All the children were asked to bring in £1.00 to donate to their charities on the day, helping the final total reach an amazing £772.25. Thank you for supporting such worthy causes, a great day was had by all!

Arden

Dementia Support: The children wore rainbow colours as these are the colours of the Dementia badge and enjoyed a sponsored treasure hunt and sporting activities, raising £242.49.



Nicholson

CIRCA: Wearing purple along with the purple CIRCA ribbon helped raise awareness of Crohn's disease in children. The children had lots of fun pinning the tail on the donkey and sold teddy bears and keyrings. This raised £216.25.



Warren

Little Princess Trust: Our children got creative as they came to school wearing wacky hair, wigs and hats, representing the charity that provides real hair wigs to children who have lost theirs. There was also a wacky hair competition which raised £157.15.



Vernon

Wish Upon A Star: Our children dressed in yellow to represent stars, highlighting the charity that helps grant wishes to terminally ill children. They raised £145.55 with the help of some wet sponge throwing!



Tilly Shines in Germany

Y5 pupil Tilly Wolstenholme danced her way to success earlier this week at the Dance World Cup in Germany. Tilly competed in the Mini's 9 and under category, winning 3rd place in a group dance to The Sound of Music's *Favourite Things*, which included a solo singing spot for Tilly. A dance to *Angels* by Sia followed, which was rewarded with another 3rd place before a dance to *Matilda* earned Tilly a 2nd place medal.

A Happy Birthday to...

Mason Peters, Vivian Mull, Noah Fraser, Chloe Smith, Hussain Armughan, Evie Taylor, Amelie Batey, Remi Fadahunsi, Alfie Anderson, William Bowes, Alfie Smith, Georgia Atkinson, Tilly Wolstenholme, Elsa Mullins, William Copeland, Conor Hallworth, Darcy Durance, Marcus Foster, Evie Davies, Bella Clark, Mia Brown, Magdalena Calado-Seifret, Finn Haisley, Florence Hughes, Thomas Alexander, Hari Sen, Mathew Ediker, Ava Perfect, Thomas Carter, Viola Phillips, Sam Duckworth, Arya Arthanayake, Marleigh Coster, Harry Coles, Mina Farooq, Benedict Woodworth, Minnie Harrison, Mehul Valluri, Charlotte Sullivan, Edward Daniels, Yasmine Zaki, Neave Stafford, Harry Groom, Sienna Entwistle, Pearl Hughes, Riley Newhouse, Anabelle Whereat, Thomas Collins, Yahya Ibrahim, Oliver Daw, Ayusha Gupta, Inaaya Mahmood, Euan Courtney, Rose Lee, Bisher Khraishi, Ryan Mehra, Adam Turo, Oliver Jim, Susie Yang, Mahdiya Rehman, Mysha Hussain, Mihammad Ahmed, Samuel St Clair, Sanuk Gamage, and Leo Campbell.

