

HURSTHEAD INFANT SCHOOL

We care, we learn, we belong

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We had a fantastic time on World Book Day and enjoyed dressing up as our favourite characters.

It's so great to see everyone get involved. Thank you to all the children and adults at home who put so much energy and enthusiasm into their costumes.

We enjoyed meeting the author Shazia Sarwar-Azim in our special World Book Day assembly. She shared her latest book, Glorious Green Butterfly Finds Her Groove. It was fun to hear the story told in such a dramatic way.

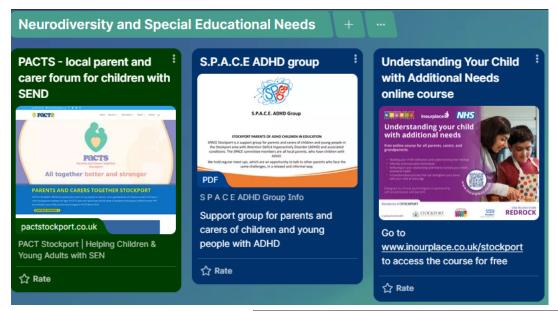


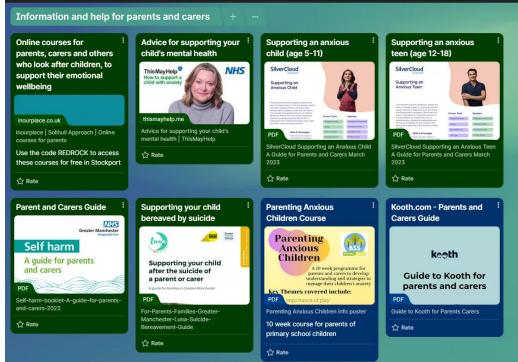


Mental Health and Wellbeing Support for Children and Young People

Below is a link for lots of local services & sources of support that may be useful to support your family. Please also find below details of Stockport Without Abuse.

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Who are Stockport Without Abuse?

"Stockport Without Abuse is the largest domestic abuse organisation in Stockport. We are a local charity who offer a range of services to help and support women, men and children who are affected by domestic abuse.

Everyone has the right to live their life free from fear, violence and abuse. We provide intervention, prevention and support services and work in partnership with other statutory and voluntary organisations across Stockport and Greater Manchester.

We also provide a range of services specially designed for Children and Young People who have been impacted by domestic abuse including one to one support, group sessions and family support sessions."

If you wish to discuss further support for your child or family, please contact the office and ask to speak to our SENCo (Special Educational Needs Coordinator) Rebecca Crawshaw.

Comic Relief Friday 15 March

The School Council would like to support 'Comic Relief' again this year.

To do our bit and raise money, please can the children come to school with 'crazy hair' on Friday 15 March 2024. Please pay donations online by clicking on the link below:

https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=14626

Attendance

Good attendance at school is very important for your child's education. We understand, however, that occasionally children do need to be absent from school for unavoidable events. Please read our Attendance Policy available on our website at the link below which provides information on authorised absences and our procedures.

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I have detailed (from our policy) our procedure for when children are absent:

If a pupil is absent from school, parents are expected to:

- Contact school on the first day their child is absent, giving the reason for absence, and on every further day of absence (except where a doctor's report has already been provided indicating an expected return date).
- Parents can either email headteacher@hursthead-inf.stockport.sch.uk or telephone the school on 0161 439 2238.
- Ensure that their child returns to school as soon as possible.
- Provide any medical evidence, if requested, to support the absence.
- Proactively contact school for support where they are concerned about their child's attendance by speaking to the class teacher, one of the Year Group Leads, the SENDCo or the Headteacher, via the email address or phone number listed above.

The school will:

- Contact parents by text or telephone on the first day of absence and further days of absence (if we haven't already been notified of the absence). If we are unable to make contact this way, we will attempt to reach parents by email, letter, use of emergency contacts and home visits where necessary.
- Report any child with 10 consecutive days of unauthorised absence to the local authority.
- Make a safeguarding referral to the local authority where there are concerns about the welfare of a child who is not attending school.

Please can parents and carers follow the procedure above, our office staff and senior leadership team are spending increasingly more time trying to contact parents and conducting home visits where necessary to families who have not let school know about their child's absence. Our register is also a legal document that must be completed with the correct code for any absence, so please be sure to give an accurate reason for your child's absence.

Medical Tracker

You will have seen from a recent email that we are introducing Medical Tracker which is online first aid software that records injuries and first aid, the administration of medication and generates reports to parents by email. Please see further information in the letter emailed last week.

Please find below some dates for your diary:

Thursday 14 March Year 1 Victorian Day

Friday 15 March Crazy hair for Comic Relief

Monday 18 March Face to face Parent Evenings (3-30 - 6-30pm)

Tuesday 19 March Face to face Parent Evenings (3-30 - 5:30pm)

Friday 22 March Reception special surprise visitor

Reception learning books sent home Year 1 & 2 topic books sent home

Monday 25 March KS1 Cross Country event with SHAPES

Yr 1 Easter Trip to Fords Lane Church

Wednesday 27 March Year 2 mountaineer talk & visit (Ben Heason)

Thursday 28 March Year 2 Climbing Wall visit

Break up - Easter

Monday 15 April Schools re-opens
Tuesday 23rd April Y2 Mosque visit
Thursday 25th April Y2 Mosque visit
Tuesday 30th April Y2 Mosque visit

Thursday 2 May

Monday 13 May

KS1 Golf festival with SHAPES

Monday 13 May

Reception Reddish Vale Farm visit

Thursday 23 May Class photographs

Tuesday 18 June Y1 visit to Avro Heritage Museum

Monday 22 July Step Outside
Wednesday 24 July Step Outside
Thursday 25 July Step Outside

Thank you and have a good week.

Karen Grant Headteacher