

The Weekly Roar!

Friday 26th September 2025 477th Edition

YEAR + ROMAN DAY

Year 4 had an amazing day on Tuesday learning all about The Romans. We were joined by a Roman Gladiator who taught us how to salute, march and battle like Romans. She even taught us some tricky Latin words that the Romans used. We also enjoyed taking part in lots of craft activities such as making Roman pots, which we are still in the process of finishing. We finished the day off by creating a Roman Banquet menu filled with food the Romans used to eat like stuffed elephants' trunk and goose filled with fish guts!

Well done to all children in Year 4, your outfits and behaviour on the day were incredible!



TEAM CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the following children who have been selected to represent their team!

Attenborough

- B Mollie L
- L Bella A
- S Ayath A

<u>Biles</u>

- B Gracie L
- L Lexi N
- S Lucia A

Rashford

- B Betsy F
- L Edith B
- S Poppy T

Windsor

- B Skye R
- L Rory M
- S Mila-Rae R

<u>Yousafzai</u>

- B Ella F
- L Mizelli G
 - S-AJS

DOJO LAUNCH

We are thrilled to report that our first week has been a resounding success. 70% of our families are now connected to school via Dojo! Thank you to those who have already downloaded the app and joined our school community online, it's been lovely to see so many of you connect with us. If you need any help to connect, please reach out to your child's teacher, we're here to help!

We hope you're enjoying the updates on both Class Story and School Story.

Please continue to check the app regularly for updates, photos, and announcements.

Please ensure you have given or declined photo consent by Monday 29th September, using the google form below:

PHOTO CONSENT

You may have seen the chat function within the app, if you would like to turn this off please review your settings within the chat tab.

ARC-ARTS AND HEALTH WEEK

Discover Young People's Arc – as part of Arts and Health Week

An invitation for referrers, families, and partner organisations to visit Arc, meet our team, and discover how we support young people. Creative sessions will be happening on the day, so you're very welcome to bring some young people along too.

Event details:

Monday, 6th October, 5 - 7pm

Book

here: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/discover-

young-peoples-arc-tickets-

1693047313089?aff=oddtdtcreator

Arts and Health Week across Stockport

'Discover Young People's Arc' is just one part of a vibrant week celebrating creativity, wellbeing, and community across Stockport.

Find out more about what's on HERE.

AWARD WINNERS

The Headteacher Gold Awards were given to;

Luka 35 - for being a kind and caring member of our school and settling well into the Juniors. Well done Luka!

Kacie 45 - for being polite and always working incredibly hard. She always volunteers to help out in the classroom. Well done Kacie!

Catalina 5L - for always being ready and eager to learn. She is an incredible role model and a pleasure to teach. Well done Catalina!

Florence 6B - for always giving 100% in everything that she does. Well done Florence!

The Headteacher merit awards were awarded to;

Ellie A 4L & Jenson M 4L



A huge well done to all of our award winners!

DOJO WINNERS

Class winner - Class 6L

Individual winner - Dorothy 4L

Team winner - Team Yousafzai

A big well done to our Dojo winners.



CROSS COUNTRY RACE REPORT - EVENT 1

Last Saturday, it was the first race of the Stockport Schools' Cross-Country league, organised by Stockport Harriers. Mrs Wharmby (and special helper Mrs Wharmby's sister!) and Miss Rock joined our runners and their families to enjoy the first race of the season in proper cross-country conditions – very wet!

The children all did Banks Lane Junior School proud. It was great to see their smiling faces and resilience in the face of such a challenge, particularly all our new runners. It was lovely to see lots of familiar and new faces from Years 4, 5 and 6 – and such enthusiastic Year 3 runners. The Year 5 runners did particularly well on their first attempt at two laps.

An enormous well done to all the children who took part:

- Lizzy, Charlotte, Raffi and Alex (Year 3)
- Daisy, Dorothy, Amelia and Leo (Year 4)
- Aria, Bella, Jessica, George and Sebastian (Year 5)
- Ava, Aurelia, Matilda and Joseph (Year 6)

Highlights of the races included Aria missing the start of her race and sprinting with Miss Rock to catch everybody up! And a special well done to Amelia for being our highest placed runner in her first cross country event.

The full set of results are now on the Stockport Harriers website <u>here</u> if you would like to check your times and positions.

We look forward to seeing you all again on Saturday 18th October and with an even bigger team for those of you who couldn't make the first race.

Please do contact Mrs Wharmby on the Year 5 email address or Miss Rock on the Year 4 email address if you are still interested in taking part, particularly our new Year 3 families.

MAKATON SIGN OF THE WEEK

FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE

IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

Our children have been learning the Makaton days of the week. Today's word of the day is Friday.



This week's Winners	
	Class 45
1st	99%
	Class 5B
2nd	98.7%
	Class 3B
3rd	95.9%

Whole school attendance
95.9%

Happy Birthday to the following children who will be celebrating their birthday over the coming week:

Reggie 3B
Kiki 3B
Jack 3B
Aya 3S
Max 3S
Eli 4L
Riley 4L
Leo 5L
Edith 6L



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 3	Year 5
Thursday 6 th November Trip to Poole's Cavern	Class 5B will continue their swimming lessons until Friday 12 th December 13-15 th July or 15-17 th July Year 5 trip to Conwy - (the year group is split into two separate trips)
Year 4	Year 6
Year 4 trip to Ilam Hall - 30 th April 2026 for 1 night	Tuesday 9 th September 6-week Stockport County Mental Health & Wellbeing course Wednesday 17th September Stockport School Dance sessions will take place every two weeks within school Sunday 17 th May Year 6 trip to PGL Boreatton Park for 3 nights
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Whole School

Residential trips - letters will be sent home next week

Tuesday 30th September - Reading morning will begin. 8:45-9:15am

Wednesday 8th October - Parent Forum. 9:00am

Friday 24th October - Inset Day

Monday 27th October - School holidays

Monday 3rd November - School re-opens

Tuesday 18th November - Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 19th November - individual and sibling photos

WELLBEING SESSIONS

Wellbeing groups are well underway within school.

A special shout-out goes to Mrs Cockburn's group, who had a particularly creative session! Thanks to the generosity of one of our Year 6 pupils, they were able to make adorable Lego figures. This kind Year 6 student not only donated the Lego but also came in to help and support the younger children with their creations. What a great example of school spirit!



A MESSAGE FROM STOCKPORT COUNTY

This Sunday, the County Ladies take on Liverpool at Edgeley Park - and we want you there.

To mark the occasion, as a local Stockport school, all tickets, both adult and junior, are completely FREE for all who wish to attend.

Just enter **BANKS LANE** at checkout and bring your family and friends for what promises to be a special day.

The school that **brings the biggest crowd** on the day will also earn an exclusive visit from a County Ladies and Men's First Team player, along with the one and only Vernon Bear - an unforgettable opportunity to celebrate your school's incredible support!

After the Lionesses' incredible summer, we feel it's more important than ever to keep the momentum going and continue growing support for women's football.

Let's pack the stands and give the County Ladies the homecoming they deserve.

Secure your free tickets here - we'll see you there!

If you need any help with your ticket purchase, feel free to call us on **0161 266 2700** or email <u>tickets@stockportcounty.com</u>. Our ticket office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10am-4pm. A member of the team will be happy to assist you.

T&C's: All tickets are free with code provided - subject to availability. One ticket per person; each must be assigned to a named individual with a separate account. We reserve the right to cancel bookings where excessive quantities are claimed, or misuse is suspected. Offer may be amended or withdrawn at any time.



FREE.SCHOOLMEALS

We want to make sure that every child who is eligible for Free School Meals receives them. The rules for new applications changed on 1st April 2025.

If you have not recently made an application for Free School Meals, we strongly encourage you to make an application, even if you believe that you are currently not entitled. Applying now is the best way to ensure your child's eligibility is recorded for the future. You only need to apply once, and the new system checks entitlement on an ongoing basis.

To make an application, please follow the link below:

https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims

School will receive notification if your child is eligible, and the Free School Meals will begin from the date of notification.

FOODBANK VOUCHERS

A reminder that school can provide foodbank vouchers upon request. Please contact the office on 0161 480 2330 or email admin@bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk if you feel you would benefit from a Foodbank Voucher.

Stockport Foodbank can also be contacted directly by emailing

foodbank@stockportfoodbank.org.uk

Foodbanks can supply food, baby and hygiene items as well as bread, fresh fruit and vegetables. Support is not just for families on free school meals but for any family that is in genuine need of help and support.

STOCKPORT FOODBANK OUR SEVEN CENTRES AROUND THE TOWN



For further assistance, call 07483 115349 e: foodbank@stockportfoodbank.org.uk www.stockport.foodbank.org.uk



PARENT FORUM



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Wednesday 8th October at 9.00am

You are invited to join us at our first Parent Forum of the year where we are talking about:

Zones of Regulation

We want to share:

- What it is
- How we use it in school

We look forward to seeing you there for a cuppa and a chat!

What our parents and carers think about our meetings:

I find the forum really helpful. It has given me advice and made me aware of other agencies that may be available. It is a good place to have an open discussion with people who are going through similar issues as yourself.



Engaging



As technology is always changing, often at a fast pace, you may have questions or concerns about the latest games or apps that your child uses at home. If you do, please click below to access a wide range of articles and guides from the Stockport Online Safety Hub. If you are still unsure, please contact your child's teacher using the year group email addresses above.

https://stockport.onlinesafetyhub.uk/

If you would like information on how to better protect your child online or would like to report an incident to CEOP, please click the link below.

https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/

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