

January 2024

Headteacher's Monthly Newsletter



Dates for your diaries

- 5.2.24 Young Voices event at AO Arena for the school choir
- 5.2.24 – Children's Mental Health Week begins
- 6.2.24 – Safer Internet Day
- 8.2.24 – Year 2 class trip to the Hat Museum
- 9.2.24 – Express yourself day!
- 9.2.24 – School closes for half term break
- 19.2.24 - School reopens
- 19.2.24 – KS1 athletics event at Cheadle Hulme School
- 23.2.24 – School celebrates Chinese New Year

Half Term Holidays

Children's last day in school is Friday 9th February and we return to school on Monday 19th February 2024

Clothes Bin

If you're having a spring clean and sorting through clothes, remember that you can put unwanted clothes, shoes and bedding (not pillows and duvets) in a bag and place it in our recycling bin, which is next to the main entrance gate.

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Update from the Headteacher

I hope that 2024 has got off to a good start for you? It certainly has in school, the children have settled into the spring term with lots of fabulous work taking place across school. The PTA have also met to plan some exciting events for this year such as Mother's Day Tea. The PTA is so valuable to the school as they support the school financially which enables us to provide resources and events for our children which our tight budget does not allow. Last year they paid for the coaches to the Pantomime, supported class trips and bought books for the library. This year we would like representatives from each class so that you can really have your say so if you are interested please get in touch, the PTA contact details are below.

Active Outwood

In our drive to be an active school the children have continued to take part in lots of sporting activities. We have been working closely with Stockport's SHAPES alliance who provide a wide range of nationally recognised, high quality sporting opportunities for children across Stockport. Last week a group of Year 6 children completed their Sports Ambassador training with the SHAPES team. They will now be leading sporting activities at lunchtime for children across the school. SHAPES also hosted a Winter Olympics event at the Chill Factor on Monday for a group of Year 5 and Year 6 children where they competed against other Stockport Schools. We are always proud of how our children represent us, all of them were well mannered, competitive and always performed their best. We have lots more sporting events for children across the school planned for 2024 too.



Attendance



Total attendance for January was 93%
The winning class was 4 with 94%
Well done!

The class attendance figures for this academic year so far is:

FS2: 92%
Year 1: 94%
Year 2: 95%
Year 3: 91%
Year 4: 96%
Year 5: 92%
Year 6: 92%

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week will take place from 5-11th February 2024. The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'. My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. This year, we want to empower children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to work together to create a positive change for their mental health and wellbeing. We want all children to be able to say and believe "My Voice Matters". We will be doing lots of activities over the week to support this. On Monday we will be sending home an active challenge for the family to complete if you wish and on Friday 9th February we are inviting the children to come into school dressed in a way that really expresses who they are as part of the Mental Health Week and Place2Be's 'Express Yourself' day.





Holiday Clubs!

Over 30 sports and activities. Including fencing, glow-in-the-dark dodgeball, archery & laser tag and performing arts, plus more.

*sports are random per day

**New Activity
Laser Tag!**



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**10% earlybird
discount until
14th January**

Stockport

**OUTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL,
HEALD GREEN, SK8**

9am-3.30pm*

**12TH - 16TH FEBRUARY
£20 PER DAY**

SEND accessible
contact to discuss

Ages 5-11

Cheshire

**CLEDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL,
MIDDLEWICH, CW10**

9am-3.30pm*

**19TH-23RD FEBRUARY
£20 PER DAY**



www.sportscoolcheshire.org/holidayclubs

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OUTWOOD PRIMARY PTA

The Outwood Parent, Teacher Association provides parental support for the school in the form of fundraising.

Get to know your teachers and other parents by volunteering your time with us in an inclusive and rewarding environment!

What does the PTA do?

- Plan for and run fundraising events for the school
- Help to create a positive and caring atmosphere within the school
- Create awareness of fundraising events within the community

We raise funds for....

- School trips
- Books
- Outdoor play equipment
- Sports equipment

JOIN US!

Contact Us

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Have your circumstances changes recently?

Do you think you maybe eligible for Free School Meals?
Families may be paying over £480 per year for each child,
paying for school meals when they don't have to!

If you receive any of the benefits below you may be eligible.

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Universal Credit (provided your household income is less than £7,400 a year after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If you think you may be eligible please visit your local council website (the council area where you live i.e. Stockport or Manchester) and search Free School Meals to apply.

You can still apply even if you want your child to remain on packed lunches. School will receive additional funding for each child that is registered.