

Stock Church of England Primary School

Newsletter: Friday 15th May 2026



“Let their light shine” (Matthew 5:16)
Affinity - Aspire - Achieve

The week's news:

Gospel Values Celebration Certificates

Well done to the following children that have received certificates today for demonstrating our Gospel Values this week.

Perseverance

Reception:

Kian J for always producing his best work in class.

Year 2:

Hudson L for working hard all week.

Linus G for great work in science.

Year 4:

Harley S for working hard on his handwriting.

Violet A for working hard in Maths this week.

Trust

Reception:

Oscar S for becoming a lovely member of the Hedgehog Class.

Year 1:

Fredrik B for making sure his learning space is clean and tidy before starting his work.

Year 4:

Flynn P for showing thought and maturity in our P.E lesson.

Year 5:

Edward R and Sophia R for excellent focus all week.

Compassion

Year 3:

Tilly M for helping a classmate to tell them the time.

Class Attendance



This week the award for highest attendance goes to Year 2 with 100%.

Every Day Matters. Attend today, achieve tomorrow.

Tractor Visit for Reception



The Hedgehog Class were excited to welcome Mr Wreathall from Forest Lodge Farm into the class today to share with them what he does as a farmer. We explained how they grow wheat and barley and showed them how it can be ground into flour ready for baking. On the farm they also have sheep and turkeys. The children listened well and had some great questions for him such as; 'Why do you have big wheels on the tractor?', 'Where do the animals sleep?', 'Do you have a favourite animal?'.

The class then had the opportunity to look at and walk around the tractor, they were amazed at how large the wheels were and asked further questions such as 'Why are the steps bumpy?'. The session ended with the children listening to the tractor start before watching it drive away.

A massive thank you to Mr Wreathall for giving us time out of his busy day to visit us.

Class Photographs

On Tuesday 19th May, all of the children will be having their class photographs taken. All children will need to wear full SCHOOL UNIFORM on this date. If your child usually has P.E on this day or if they are attending the Quad Kids Athletics Competition, please can they still wear uniform to school and bring their P.E kit to change into.

Quad Kids Athletics Competition – 19th May

Some of the upper school children will be competing at the Quad Kids Athletics Competition at The William de Ferrers School on Tuesday 19th May. We wish all of the children good luck who are competing.

Year 6

Well done to all of the Year 6 students for working so hard this week during their SATS. Their behaviour has been exemplary and they have all shown true perseverance. We hope they have a well-deserved, fun residential trip this weekend.

Squishies and fidget toys

Please do not allow your children to bring squishies in to school. We have had a number of occasions recently where these have burst, are difficult to clean up and disrupt learning.

Other fidget toys should only be brought in with prior agreement from the class teacher.

Term Time Holidays

We are still continuing to have an increasing number of holidays being taken during term time. Please ensure that you only take holidays during the school breaks and not during term time, holiday requests will not be authorised by the school.

Parking

A number of parents are still parking in the school car park. This makes it very dangerous for your children walking around the school premises at drop off and collection times. Please can we remind you that unless you have had prior authorisation by the Headteacher, you must not park in the school car park.

ProStrike Fundraiser

Our School is hosting a ProStrike Football Fundraising Event on Friday 5th June. A letter regarding this event was sent home with your child this week.

Every child will have the opportunity to take part in the ProStrike Speed Challenge – a fun football-themed event where pupils test their strike speed against the inflatable ProStrike goal. Each child will receive a certificate, and there are prizes to be won for their fundraising efforts.

This event is not just about football – it's about giving our pupils a memorable experience and helping our school raise much needed funds for resources that benefit every child.

Donations are quick and simple through a secure online page. All you need to do is visit www.prostrikeevents.co.uk/pay-online and search our school name.

Fundraising is optional, but every pound raised really helps our school.

Summer Fayre and PTA update

The PTA have taken the decision not to run the summer fayre this year due to limited parental support. Events like the summer fayre take a great deal of planning and going forward more volunteers are needed if we would like these events to continue as a school. The PTA have raised significant funds for the school which directly impacts the quality of the provision for the children. The running track, pirate ship, reception play equipment to name a few – none of this would have been possible without PTA support.

I have had one parent who has shown interest in continuing to run the PTA going forward. If you would like to support or find out more information please email admin@stock.essex.sch.uk for the attention of the Headteacher. I would like to meet anyone who is interested in taking an active part in running the PTA on **22/6/26 at 2:00pm**. In the meeting we will discuss how the PTA could look going forward to ensure the model is sustainable whilst raising vital funds for the school.

Whilst we will now not be having a summer fayre, the Stock Flower Festival will be taking place on Saturday 4th July. The children will be country dancing and running stalls at this event so please ensure this date is kept free.

PTA News

Golden Ticket Search

The final numbers are in and we are pleased to report that this year's **Golden Ticket Search** raised an amazing £527. Thank you to everyone who purchased chocolate bars to make this such a great fundraising event for the school. Sales were up by 10% on last year, as were the prizes, making this one of our most popular events of the year. We hope the children are starting to take part in their class and individual roles - especially helping Mr Roberts with some of his daily duties.

Tea Towels

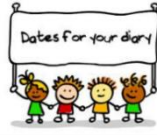
After receiving lots of requests from parents we are introducing the school **Tea Towel** again this year. Children will be designing their own self-portraits to be included on the '**2026 Stock Primary School**' tea towel. This event was last run in 21/22 and lots of orders were received. This year we will be selling the tea towels via PTA Events and the finished items will be sent home with the children before the end of the summer term. Pricing and order details to follow.

Sports Day

The PTA have now purchased sports tops, in the school house colours, to be worn over the normal PE kit for **Sports Day**. The matching coloured sports tops will help the children look really smart and united on Sports Day, while also saving parents the expense and inconvenience of buying a separate coloured top just for the event. A variety of sizes have been purchased to cover all ages. The tops will be stored at the school for future events.

Gardening Club

This term the PTA have purchased items for the school's **Gardening Club** including a polytunnel greenhouse and fruit and vegetable plants. We hope the children are enjoying being members of the club.



New dates added to the diary throughout the term will be added in red and bold.

PTA Event Dates

16 th and 18 th June Father's Day Wrap	16 th July Summer Party
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School Event Dates

<p>May 15th – 18th – Year 6 Residential 19th – Class Photographs 19th – Quad Kids Athletics Competition 25th – 29th – MAY HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</p> <p>June 2nd – Dynamos Cricket Competition 4th – Year 6 Class Assembly 9am (Parents Invited) 5th – ProStrike Event 8th – Year 6 Service at Chelmsford Cathedral 10th – Year 5 visit to Mayflower School 17th – KS1 Music Festival 23rd – Year 5 Food and Farming Day 30th – Year 5 Class Assembly 9am (Parents Invited)</p>	<p>July 2nd – Year 2 Class Assembly 9am (Parents Invited) 2nd – Year 3 School Trip to Colchester Castle 4th – Stock Flower Festival 7th July – Year 4 School Trip to West Stow Anglo Saxon Village 7th – Year 6 Performance 2pm (Parents Invited) 8th – Year 6 Performance 7pm (Parents Invited) 8th – Reception School Trip to Marsh Farm 9th – Year 2 School Trip to Colchester Zoo 10th – Sports Day and Parent Open Afternoon 13th – Rocksteady Concerts: KS2 – 9.15am (Parents Invited) KS1 – 10.30am (Parents Invited) 17th – Reserve Sports Day 21st – School finishes at 2pm for all children except Year 6 children. 21st – Leavers Service in Church 9.15am 21st – Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2.30pm 22nd – INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS 23rd – School Summer Holidays</p>
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