



The Weekly Roar!

Friday 27th March 2026

462nd Edition

YOUNG CARERS

Our Young Carers have had a busy and "sweet" week, filled with new experiences and creative workshops across our different age groups.

A Taste of Greece in Year 4/5

A huge thank you to Mrs Varela, who joined our Year 4/5 group for a special culinary session. The children learned how to make a traditional Greek dessert (which many of our young chefs noted tasted surprisingly like an Oreo!). It was a hit with everyone, and the kitchen was buzzing with excitement as they discovered new flavours from around the world.

Bringing Characters to Life: Year 3/6

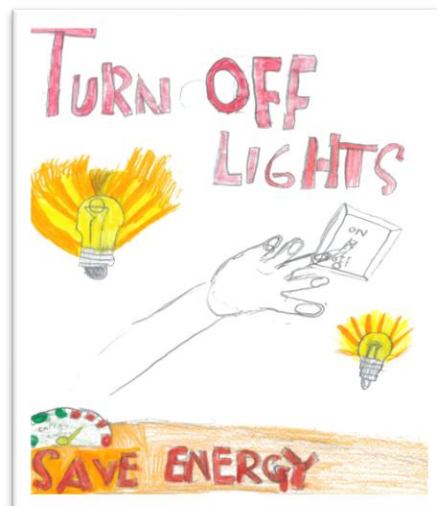
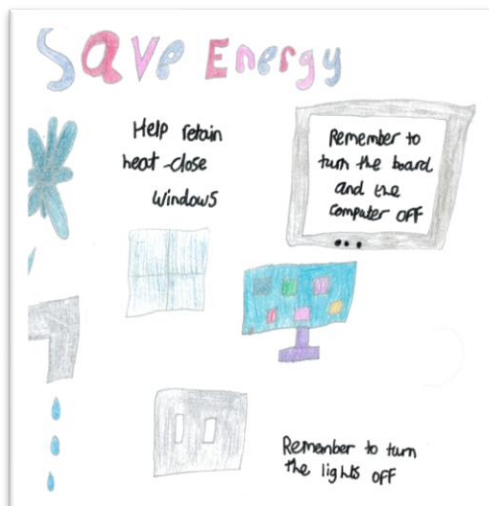
Over in our Year 3/6 group, we were delighted to welcome one of our Year 4 parents who lead a session on Stop Motion Animation.

The children took complete creative control-drawing their own unique characters and designing detailed backgrounds. The highlight was seeing their faces light up as they used technology to make their drawings move for the very first time. The engagement was 100%, and the final "mini-movies" were a joy to see!

We are so proud of how our Young Carers jumped into these activities with such enthusiasm. A big thank you to our guest volunteers for making this week so memorable!

NATURE NINJAS

Our Nature Ninjas have been busy promoting 'conserving energy' throughout school by turning off lights and whiteboards when we leave the classrooms. Here are some of the incredible posters they have designed for our school to encourage everyone to play their part.



PARKING

A Friendly Reminder: Keeping Our School Community Safe

We want to say a huge thank you to all our parents and carers who help make the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up run smoothly. To keep our children safe and our neighbours happy, we've put together a few gentle reminders regarding parking and road safety.

Safety First

Our main goal is to make sure every child can see and be seen when crossing the road.

- **Staff Parking:** We ask that you leave the land to the left of the gates available for our staff members, so they can get into the classroom ready for the day. We have signs in place to advise that this is a staff only parking area - please be reassured that this is to keep our children safe.
- **Keep the Zig-Zags Clear:** Please never park or stop on the yellow zig-zag lines. Keeping these areas clear ensures that children have a safe, unobstructed view of traffic.
- **Watch Your Speed:** Please drive slowly and keep an extra eye out for little ones who might be in a hurry to get to class!
- **Follow the Signs:** We kindly ask that you follow all official road signage.

Finding a Space

To help avoid congestion right at the school gates, please use the following parking options:

- **Hulme Street Car Park:** There are designated parking spaces available here.
- **Banks Lane Car Park:** There are designated parking spaces available here.
- **Stockport Lads Club:** Lads Club on Hempshaw Lane are more than happy for families to use their car park.
- **Staff Parking:** We ask that you leave the land to the left of the gates available for our staff members, so they can get into the classroom ready for the day. We have signs in place to advise that this is a staff only parking area - please be reassured that this is to keep our children safe.
- **Be a Good Neighbour:** We love being part of this community! Please be mindful of our local residents by ensuring driveways and access points remain clear.

Top Tip: Try "Park and Stride"

If the area closest to school feels a bit busy, why not try a **Park and Stride**? By parking just a few minutes away and walking the final stretch, you can:

1. Avoid the busiest traffic spots.
2. Get a few extra steps in with your little ones.
3. Help make the school gates much quieter and safer for everyone!

Thank you for your support!

By working together and parking thoughtfully, we can ensure our school remains a safe and welcoming place for all our children.

AWARD WINNERS

The Headteacher Gold Awards were given to;

Reggie 3B - for being a hard working, kind person who his friends and teacher can always count on. Well done Reggie!

Annie 4L - for her amazing positivity, confidence and determination to learn and make progress. Well done Annie!

Ralph 5B - for being a superb BLJS role model and an amazing helper in the classroom. He always does his best! Well done Ralph!

Elsie 6B - for being a responsible, keen and independent learner, who engages in all lessons and gives 100%. Thank you Elsie!

The Headteacher merit awards were awarded to;
Kacie 4S and Edith 6L



A huge well done to all of our award winners!

DOJO WINNERS

Weekly winners:

Class winner

Class 3B

Individual winner

Vivaan 5B

Team winner

Team Biles

Half-term winners:

Class winner

Class 3L

Individual winner

Ralph 5B

Team winner

Team Rashford

A big well done to our Dojo winners.



LEARNING POWERS MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

Wishing our BLJS families a very enjoyable Easter. School re-opens on Monday 13th April.



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE



This week's Winners

1st	Class 4S 98%
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2nd	Class 5L 97%
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3rd	Class 5S 96.8%
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Whole school attendance 95.3%

IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

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

Ethan 3B
Richmond 3B
Lincoln 3B
Ada 3L
Tobias 3S
Kaison 3S
Kiri 4S
Elias 5B
Lucy 5B
Jayden-James 5L
Poppy 5L
Connor 5L

Archy 5S
Parmis 5S
Martyna 5S
Harry 6B
Skye 6B
Anniyah 6L
Sudais 6L
Anderson 6S



We hope you all have a great time celebrating!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

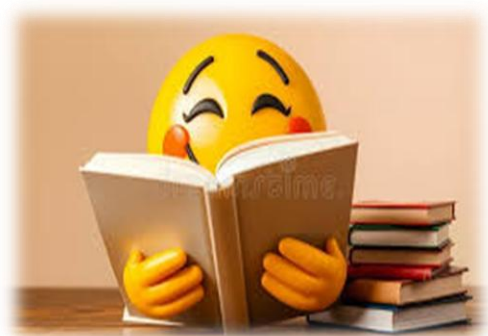
Year 3	Year 5
	<p>Friday mornings Class 5S will begin their swimming lessons on Friday 24th April. <u>Please note that this is a change to the date originally sent out.</u></p> <p>13-15th July or 15-17th July Year 5 residential to Conwy - the year group is split into two separate trips.</p>
Year 4	Year 6
<p>Outdoor Learning - the schedule has been sent home via email.</p> <p>30th April 2026 Year 4 residential to Ilam Hall for 1 night.</p>	<p>Air Raid Shelters Trip Monday 13th April - 6B & 6L Tuesday 14th April - 6S <u>Payment for this trip can be made via School Money.</u> <u>Please ensure you have completed the google form to give consent for your child to attend.</u></p> <p>Thursday 16th April Leavers hoodies payment deadline at 10am</p> <p>Wednesday 29th April 2026 PGL Boreatton Park parent meeting at 5pm in our school hall.</p> <p>Sunday 17th May Year 6 residential to PGL Boreatton Park for 3 nights. Please make all final payments via School Money</p>
Whole School	
<p>Writing morning: Thursday 23rd April. Thursday 7th May. Thursday 21st May</p> <p>School re-opens on Monday 13th April.</p>	

THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING

The National Year of Reading extends well beyond the classroom.

From community events and library activities to festivals and online resources, there's a wealth of opportunities for people of all ages to discover the joy of reading together.

During the Easter holidays, take a look at the [National Year of Reading website](#) to find a range of fun and creative ways to inspire your children whilst they're away from the classroom!



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 who receive free school meals but for any family that is in genuine need of help and support.

ABSENCE

Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell. Please use the link below to see the government guidelines for schools about health protection and managing specific infectious diseases, as these say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. If you do keep your child at home, please phone the school on 0161 480 2330 and leave a message on the school absence line with your child's name, class and reason for absence.

[GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES](#)

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 below.

<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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