



# Banks Lane Junior School

Communication, Collaboration, Curiosity, Resilience, Reflection



## The Weekly Roar!

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

351<sup>st</sup> Edition

PLEASE REMEMBER - DROP OFF AND GO, PICK UP AND LEAVE

### PROJECT PLAY

Earlier this week we saw the launch of our 'Project Play'. Despite the less than perfect weather the first week has been a huge success - we are looking forward to getting even more equipment out in the coming weeks.



We also asked some of our pupils what they thought, here is some of the feedback received;

"I like project play because of all the new games we can play. I think it is really nice that we can play different games now." - Harrison.

"I like that there is less arguing and fighting because of the new games." - Eve.

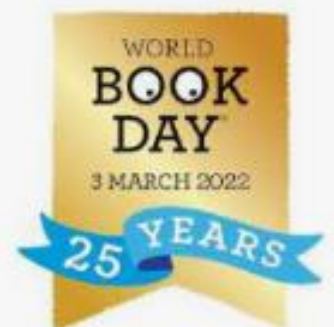
"I think project play is good because I can play lots of different games with my friends." - Anthony.

"I like playing velcro catch because you can play it with multiple people and everybody gets a turn." - Darcy.

### WORLD BOOK DAY

Quick Reminder, World Book Day is fast approaching and it's a big celebration this year! We want to use this World Book Day as an opportunity to come together as a school and inspire a love of reading.

Thursday 3rd March will be a non-uniform day, with lots of options for children to dress up and share their love of books. There are plenty of ideas online or on the World Book Day website. We don't want to put any additional pressure on families, so be creative, involve the children, and see what you have around the house linked to their favourite books.



## COVID

As you are aware Government guidelines regarding COVID changed again yesterday. We have now received updated guidance from the DFE and Local Authority. We will update our risk assessment in adherence of this guidance to reflect the below;

### COVID positive

Whilst there is no longer a legal requirement to isolate, the guidance we have received states there is still an expectation to isolate if you test positive or are symptomatic and are awaiting a COVID test result.

**In order to prevent the spread of COVID within school and to protect vulnerable pupils and staff our COVID absence rules will remain the same. Any pupil who tests positive must not attend school for 5 days and until symptom free. Any child who shows one of the main three symptoms (high temp, loss or change to taste or smell, continuous cough) must have a negative test result before returning to school.**

### Close contacts

If you are a close contact of somebody with COVID there is no longer a requirement to test daily before attending school. Staff are no longer requested to test twice weekly.

### Facemasks

Face masks are no longer mandatory in school, any member of staff, visitor, contractor or parent onsite is still more than welcome to wear a mask if preferred.

### Hygiene

We will continue with good hygiene rules (ensuring children wash hands and sanitise regularly), extra cleaning and will also keep all spaces within school well ventilated.

### Holiday Support Vouchers

This is a reminder that the holiday support vouchers issued for the half term and Easter holidays are due to expire next week. Most families will have received an email voucher, this can be found by searching for 'Post Office Payout' in the inbox or spam folder. If the council does not hold an email address, you should have received an Aldi gift card via the post instead. Vouchers need to be redeemed by next week (3<sup>rd</sup> March). For any queries please click [here](#).

**May we thank you all again for the support you have given throughout the pandemic so far. We're sure you will all adhere to the guidance above in order to minimise the risk of infection to anyone in school. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the school office.**

## SAFETY

On Thursday, every class tuned into a special E-Safety assembly run by Google. We learnt the 'Be Internet Legends Pledge' and helped Pip to make smarter decisions whilst online.

The Interland game that the assembly was based around is a fun and interactive game which encourages players to become safer online and helps players make better choices about their online activities.

You can play the game for free, without a username, here:

[https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en\\_uk/interland](https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en_uk/interland)



### **Think Before You Share**

I will thoughtfully consider what I share and with whom, and keep extra-sensitive information to myself (such as my home address, current location, or other people's business).



### **Check it's For Real**

I will watch out for phishing and scams, and report questionable activity every time.



### **Protect Your Stuff**

I will take responsibility for protecting important information by crafting strong and unique passwords with characters, numbers, and symbols.



### **Respect Each Other**

I will spread positivity and use the skills I have learned to block and report negative behaviours.



### **When in Doubt, Discuss**

I will use my voice when I notice inappropriate behavior and seek out a trusted adult to discuss situations that make me uncomfortable. Because that's what it takes to be a safe and fearless explorer of the online world.

## STRANGER DANGER

Whilst the risk posed by strangers is rare, it's really important to make children aware of simple tips they can follow to keep themselves a little safer. Below is a link to a short video you may want to share with your child regarding staying safe whilst out in public.

<https://youtu.be/H95m0v2sIMY>

This newsletter is emailed weekly to parents/carers. Please let us know if you would like us to email it to you.

It is also available on our website at [www.bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk](http://www.bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk)

If you have any queries or concerns, please email [admin@bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk) or phone the school office on 0161 480 2330

## AWARD WINNERS

**The Headteacher Gold Awards** were given to;  
**Year 3** Conan, 3B enthusiasm and effort in your home learning.

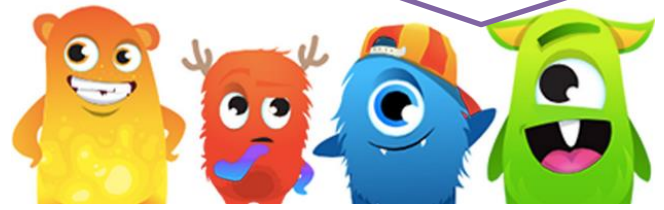
**Year 4** Erin, 4B for your attitude and resilience towards your work, it is inspirational.

**Year 5** Annabella, 5L for 100% enthusiasm for learning in every lesson.

**Year 6** Sky, 6S for always working to the best of your ability and making outstanding progress.

**The Headteacher Merit Awards** were given to Scarlett in 3L and Zander in 4B.

Great job **Blue** team, you are our weekly dojo winners!



The classes with the highest dojo points this week are 4B and 6L, well done to you!

### LEARNING POWERS MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

Do you have a book related joke for next week's Roar?  
See Mrs Williams in school if you do!



### FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE AWARD



#### This week's Winners

1 <sup>st</sup>	6B
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3L
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3S

### IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

**Happy Birthday this coming**

**week to,**

Esther, 3S

Patrick, 4S

Ruby, 6B

Daisy, 4S

Tilly, 5L

Tobias, 6S

Katie, 4B

Sophia, 3S

Lily, 6S

AJ, 4B

Freddie, 3L

Declan, 4S



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### Stockport Annual Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Day

**Thursday 17th March 2022, 9am-3pm**  
 Alma Lodge Hotel, 149 Buxton Rd, Heaviley, Stockport SK2 6EQ

FREE for Parents, Carers, Family Members and Professionals who have or work with children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities. Registration and market place 9.00am, lunch and refreshments will be provided.

**Workshops**

- Opening Keynote Panel Discussion: A range of senior leaders from Stockport LA and CCG
- Please see our programme of workshops on our website and social media leading up to the event

**Market stands**

- An opportunity to learn about the provision and services available for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities locally
- Chat to Stockport Local Authority and Clinical Commissioning Group

#### To book on the event:

www.eventbrite.co.uk  
and search for 258916144157

For more information please call 07786 101072 or email events@pactstockport.co.uk



Parents and Carers Together Stockport (PACTS) www.pactstockport.co.uk

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**FREE for Parents, Carers, Family Members and Professionals who have or work with children and young people aged 0-25 with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities.**

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## OUTSIDE AGENCIES

We often have outside agencies come into school to work with/support our pupils in a number of different ways. Please see our table below for their availability.

Tuesday	Wednesday
LSS, all day	BSS, am, every other week
	SALT, every other half term

LSS - Learning Support Service

BSS - Behaviour Support Service

SALT - Speech and Language Therapy. On The half term we do not have weekly visits, teaching assistants carry out follow up work with children.

## USEFUL WEBSITES

### CEOPS

CEOP help young people who are concerned about on-line images and communications.

[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11\\_13/help/CEOP/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11_13/help/CEOP/)

### Family Lives

Family Lives is a charity with over three decades of experience helping parents to deal with the changes that are a constant part of family life.

<http://www.familylives.org.uk/>

### Guidance for Parents re Instagram

[http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram\\_guide.pdf](http://www.connectsafely.org/wp-content/uploads/instagram_guide.pdf)

### Kidscape

'Preventing Bullying, protecting children'

<https://www.kidscape.org.uk/what-we-do/>

### Kidsmart

<http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/>

### Netmums

The network offers information to parents about parenting on a national level. Amongst the topics are child welfare, maternity, playgroups, child health and child safety.

<http://www.netmums.com/>

### NSPCC NetAware

[https://www.net-aware.org.uk/?utm\\_source=google&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_campaign=Grant\\_shareaware2014&utm\\_term=nspcc\\_net\\_aware&qclid=EAIaIQobChMI6rq9lqCa1QIV77XtChOnOw-aEAYASAAEgIawPD\\_BwE&qclsrc=aw.ds](https://www.net-aware.org.uk/?utm_source=google&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Grant_shareaware2014&utm_term=nspcc_net_aware&qclid=EAIaIQobChMI6rq9lqCa1QIV77XtChOnOw-aEAYASAAEgIawPD_BwE&qclsrc=aw.ds)

### Stockport SEND Local Offer

<https://stockport.fsd.org.uk/kb5/stockport/fsd/localoffer.page>

### UK Safer Internet Centre

E-safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe on the internet.

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>