



The Weekly Roar!

Friday 9th October 2026

481st Edition

CROSS COUNTRY

On Saturday 26th September, it was the first race of the Stockport Schools' Cross Country league, organised by Stockport Harriers. Mrs Wharmby and Miss Rock joined our runners and their families to enjoy the first race of the season in gloriously sunny and dry conditions.

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. Our new Year 3 runners were incredibly enthusiastic and it was lovely to welcome lots of younger siblings of past BLJS cross country 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:

- Freddie, Ezra, Penny, Orlagh, Olivia, Theo and Leo (Year 3)
- Lizzy, Charlotte, Raffi, Alex, Sylvia, Jack, Luna, Casey, Sara, Aubrey and Poppy (Year 4)
- Ryann, Dorothy, Elsie and Leo (Year 5)
- Jessica and Sebastian (Year 6)

A massive well done to all our runners, but especially to Olivia for her incredible resilience in having to take part in the boys' race - you were amazing Olivia! Also, to Sara from Year 4 for coming in 26th in her first cross country race.

The full set of results are now on the Stockport Harriers website [here](#) if you would like to check your times and positions.

We look forward to seeing you all again on Saturday 31st 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.



SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

We hope our Year 6 families are enjoying visiting high schools and exploring options ahead of submitting applications.

Please keep these key points in mind:

- **Deadline:** Ensure your application is submitted before the closing date on **Saturday 31st October**.
- **Multiple Preferences:** Make sure to select **more than one school** on your application to maximise your chances. If you do not select more than one school, and you do not get your preference, you could be given any school that has available spaces.
- **Amending Applications:** If you have already submitted your application but would like to add or change your school preferences, simply log back into your online portal account to update it before the deadline.



COATS

We love learning and playing outdoors in all weather! Please ensure your child brings a warm, waterproof coat with a hood every day.

Don't forget to check our **pre-loved coat rail** in the office entrance hall. You are very welcome to take any coat that fits your child, or drop off any pre-loved coats they have outgrown.



STOCKPORT COUNTY



Community Trust

COUNTY CAMPS

FUN SKILLS TRAINING FOR BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS, LED BY QUALIFIED COACHES

STOCKPORT SCHOOL	STOCKPORT SPORTS VILLAGE	SEND SESSION
Monday 26 th October - Girls Only	Thursday 29 th October - Mixed Session	Monday 26 th October 8-12 Years 10am - 12pm
Tuesday 27 th October - Mixed Session	Friday 30 th October - Mixed Session	13-16 Years 1pm - 3pm
Wednesday 28 th October - Mixed Session		

All camps are suitable for 6-12 years and run from 9am to 3pm unless otherwise stated

Limited availability - visit officialsoccerschools.co.uk/stockportcounty to secure your child's spot

ABSENCE

Reporting Absences: If your child is going to be absent, please call our 24/7 absence line on **0161 480 2330** to leave a message. Please do not report absences directly to teachers via Dojo or email.

Appointments: Whenever possible, please schedule medical and personal appointments outside of school hours. We understand that this is sometimes unavoidable. Please call and speak to a member of the office on **0161 480 2330** so we can update the register accordingly.

Leave of Absence Form: This can be found on our website. Please complete this form if your child needs a leave of absence during term-time.

AWARD WINNERS

The Headteacher Gold Awards were given to;

Zoe 3L - for having pride in everything that she does. She is a kind and helpful member of the class and a pleasure to teach. Well done Zoe!

Orla 4L - for always being kind and hardworking, and for showing exceptional science understanding. Well done Orla!

Myla 5B - for being a caring and considerate member of the class. She always considers others feelings and is a fantastic friend. Well done Myla!

Oscar 6L - for showing outstanding resilience in Year 6 and making superb steps forward in his written work. Well done Oscar!

The Headteacher Merit Awards were awarded to;
Emily 3S and Liam 3S



A huge well done to all of our award winners!

DOJO WINNERS

Weekly winners:

Class winner

Class 6S

Individual winner

Elias 6S

Team winner

Team Rashford

A big well done to our Dojo winners.



LEARNING POWERS MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE

IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!



This week's winners

1st	Class 3S 99.1%
2nd	Class 6B 97.8%
3rd	Class 5B 96.6%

Whole school attendance

93.9%

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

Charlie 3B
Olivia 3B
Margot 3S
Alessia 3S
Alex 3S
Ava 4B
Myla 5B
Aysa 5S
Jack 6L
Isaac 6L
Skyleigh 6S



We hope you all have a great time celebrating!

VACCINATION GUIDANCE (SEND)

Two new leaflets have been published to provide guidance for schools and parents to support the delivery of the school aged vaccination programmes to children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

[Supporting vaccination for SEND children and young people - GOV.UK](#)

The [Information for parents and carers](#) leaflet provides practical information for parents and carers and supports vaccination for school age children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). This leaflet is designed to help parents and carers understand the importance and benefits of vaccinations for children and young people with SEND. It seeks to address many of the queries and concerns raised by parents and carers of children with SEND and provides practical advice and information on how to prepare for an immunisation appointment, what to expect, and where to find accurate and reliable trusted sources of information on vaccinations.

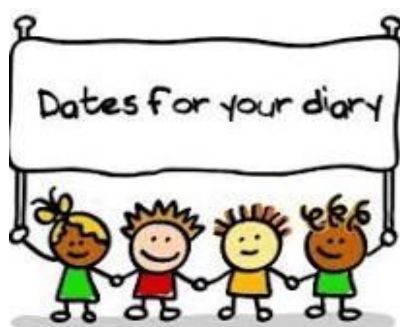
The [Information for specialist providers and SEND co-ordinators in mainstream schools](#) leaflet is designed for specialist providers and SEND co-ordinators (SENCOs) in mainstream schools and covers practical steps to help children and young people with SEN and disabilities and their families understand why vaccination matters, the benefits of delivering these within school settings, and approaches to make vaccination accessible and inclusive, ensuring they receive the protection they need in a safe and supportive environment.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 3	Year 5
Wednesday 4th November Poole's Cavern	Class 5B Autumn swimming sessions at Grand Central Pools
Year 4	Year 6
	Monday 19th October Year 6 trip to Stockport School to watch The Addams Family

Whole School

Wednesday mornings - Reading Morning - please arrive before the school doors close at 9:00am
Wednesday 14th October - School Council trip to Woodbank Memorial Park
Tuesday 20th October - Parents Evening - please complete the Google Form sent home via email
Thursday 22nd October - Parents Evening - please complete the Google Form sent home via email
Thursday 22nd October - school closes and re-opens on Monday 2nd November
Friday 23rd October - Inset Day
Tuesday 17th November - individual school photos
Tuesday 8th December - whole school trip to The Plaza
Friday 18th December - school closes at 3:15pm and re-opens on Monday 4th January 2027



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.

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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School website

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