



Banks Lane Junior School

Communication, Collaboration, Curiosity, Resilience, Reflection



The Weekly Roar!

Friday 28th February 2025

459th Edition

LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

You may have noticed that we've been lucky enough to have our local neighbourhood team visit us recently. We are keen to establish links between school and our local neighbourhood patrol.

Members of the neighbourhood team will be visiting us regularly and are very keen to build positive relationships with our BLJS families and within the Stockport community. Members of our local team have offered to attend one of our 'Maths Mornings' in the near future. Please say hello if you see them!



PARENT LEAFLET

Attached to the Roar today is our Reading at BLJS Parent Leaflet.

*Reading is at the
heart of everything
we do at BLJS.*

AWARD WINNERS

The Headteacher Gold Awards were given to:

Ellery 3B - for working incredibly hard and completing extra work at home, which shows her enthusiasm! Well done Ellery!

Cleo 4B - for always being a cheerful and kind member of Year 4. Cleo is a superstar. Well done!

Florence 5B - for being resilient every day with her learning. Florence is a fantastic role model and a superstar. Well done!

Layla 6B - for embodying our school ethos and always 'believing to achieve'. Well done Layla!

The Headteacher merit awards were awarded to:

Maisy 3B and Ava 4B

A huge well done to all of our award winners!



DOJO WINNERS

Individual winner - **Matilda in 4B**

Class winner - **Class 6S**

Team winner - **Team Windsor**

Well done to all of our Dojo winners.



LEARNING POWERS MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

What do librarians take with them when they go fishing?

Bookworms!

WORLD
**BOOK
DAY**



FANTASTIC ATTENDANCE



This week's Winners	
1st	6L
Joint 2nd	6B & 3B
3rd	3S



IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!

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

Reggie 4S
Harvey 5B
Bobby-Gordon 5L
Jessica 5L
Joseph 5S
Oscar 6B
Sarah 6B
Sophia 6L
Scarlett 6L
Freddie 6S

We hope you have a great time celebrating!



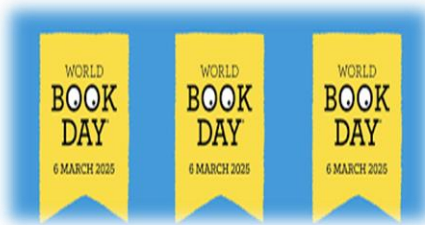
WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 6th March will be a non-uniform day, with lots of options for children to dress up and share their love of books. Here are our suggestions:

- Come dressed as your favourite character
- Come in your pyjamas or a onesie with your favourite book (bedtime reading is the best!)
- Come dressed up as an exciting adjective (for example, how might you show 'curious'? Or 'artistic'?)
- If you prefer non-fiction, a costume linked to that topic, or some facts written on a t-shirt
- Simply bring in your favourite book from home and share why you love it so much.

There are plenty of ideas online or on the World Book Day website. We don't want to put any additional financial pressure on families, so be creative, involve the children, and see what you have around the house linked to their favourite books. We're also planning lots of exciting activities in school around World Book Day too and, of course, all children will be given their £1 token for the fabulous £1 books, which are available in WH Smith, Waterstones, and lots of the local supermarkets. Thank you very much for your support, especially with listening to your children read at home and encouraging a love of books.

Please send your child into school with around 50p in small change on the day; this will be enough to buy some donated books. All money raised from the sale will go towards buying lots of lovely new books for our school.



VIKING DAY

On Thursday, Year 5 had a brilliant Viking Day. Thank you so much for all your effort with costumes and props; the children looked amazing! We were joined by Thorgreem Ragnar, who shared his Viking wisdom and knowledge with us. The children were thrilled to feel the weight of real chainmail and to find out how expensive it was to make weapons. We also learned lots more about day to day life for the Vikings, including what sorts of delightful jobs children would be expected to do and why they didn't actually have horns on their helmets. Thank you for sharing your expertise Thorgreem! We then all enjoyed sketching and painting illuminated letters, like the Anglo-Saxon monks. A fantastic day of History and Art learning - well done Year 5!



TT ROCKSTARS CHALLENGE

We have relaunched TTrockstars this week in school with the children. Times Table Rockstars is a fun and engaging website or app that the children can use to practise their times tables and become quicker each time. Learning times tables is part of the national curriculum and will really support your child with accessing trickier maths further on in their education.

Mrs Senogles has set up a competition for each year group. The children need to log on to TTrockstars and play the battle to increase their class score. In four weeks' time, the winning class for each year group will receive a little Rockstar treat.

<https://ttrockstars.com/>



STOCKPORT GRAMMAR SCHOOL

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS TEMPORARY HELPLINE

STOCKPORT GRAMMAR SCHOOL PRESENTS



SISTER ACT

Wednesday 26th -
Saturday 29th
March

7pm

Tickets: £12/£9

Music by
ALAN MENKEN

Lyrics by
GLENN SLATER

Book by
CHERI STEINKELLNER
& BILL STEINKELLNER



Additional Book Material: DOUGLAS CARTER BEANE
Based on the Touchstone Pictures Motion Picture "Sister Act" written by Joseph Howard
This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International. All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk

Ahead of national offer day on Monday 3rd March, Stockport Admissions have set up a temporary helpline. You can also contact them via email: admissions.support@stockport.gov.uk

0161 521 8871

Monday 3rd March	10am – 4:30pm
Tuesday 4th March – Friday 7th March	08:30am – 4:30pm
Monday 10th March – Friday 14th March	08:30am – 4:30pm

Parent information session

The admissions team will be hosting a second parent information session on Thursday 6th March at 6:30pm, this will offer advice on what to do if you are unhappy with the outcome of your application, including an overview of the appeals process.

- Details of the session are included in the outcome letters for all applicants.
- Please find below the link for the session:

<https://forms.office.com/e/ktrNqC9sfG>

ATTACHMENTS

- Road Safety Newsletter
- Stockport Schools' Brass Band open day leaflet

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 3	Year 5
<p>The land beneath our feet - please ensure that you have completed the following Google Form giving permission for your child to attend. https://forms.gle/CFqwwFN2A52zbADe8</p> <p>3B Monday 24th March 3S Wednesday 26th March 3L Thursday 27th March</p>	<p>14th-16th July or 16th-18th July 2025 Conwy Residential</p>
Year 4	Year 6
<p>Wednesday 2nd April 2025 Parents Ilam Hall information meeting. 5-6pm - further information will be sent closer to the time.</p> <p>Thursday 1st May - Friday 2nd May 2025 Ilam Hall Residential</p>	<p>Sunday 18th May-Wed 21st May 2025 PGL Boreatton Park Residential</p>
Whole School	
<p>Thursday 6th March 2025 World Book Day</p> <p>Saturday 15th March 2025 Last Cross-Country race at Woodbank Park (this was originally 1st March and has been changed to 15th March)</p> <p>Saturday 22nd March 2025 Cross-Country Presentation Day at Woodbank Park</p>	

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School website
<https://www.bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk/>

FOODBANK VOUCHERS

A reminder that school can provide foodbank vouchers upon request. If you feel you would benefit from a Foodbank Voucher please contact the office on 0161 480 2330 or email admin@bankslane-jun.stockport.sch.uk or alternatively contact Stockport Foodbank directly at 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 on free school meals but for any family that is in genuine need of help and support.

