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Weekly Newsletter: wb 9th November 2026

Ofsted

As you know, we had Ofsted in last week. They have made a commitment to inspect schools every 4 years so we knew they were coming at some point this academic year – what did surprise us was the fact that it was 4 years *to the day* when they rang (their last visit was the 2nd & 3rd November 2022). As I'm sure you understand, we are not allowed to talk about the outcome of the visit until the report is published in approximately 6 weeks. It will be shared with you as soon as it is available.

We are allowed to discuss the results of the 'Parent View' survey though as these are publicly available here. Thank you to those of you who found time to complete this – I am delighted to see that 100% would recommend us to another parent (question 10).

Reach More (Parents)

We have been having some issues with ReachMore and several (new) parents were not able to access this service. This was extremely frustrating and something to do with the syncing of data from our registers (i.e. the system was not functioning correctly). I believe the issue has now been resolved and many parents have been able to connect this past week. Thank you for your patience and apologies for the inconvenience. If you are still having trouble (or have never used it and would like to be added), please get in touch (though I guess if you are not receiving messages, you may not see this!).

Parents' Evening

Reminder: it is Parents' Evening on Wednesday (3:30 – 5:30pm). A separate letter has been sent out about this but if you have missed it, you can still request an appointment using the link here. Appointments are issued on a first-come, first-served basis, so please select as many options as possible and we will do our best to accommodate you (we will ensure sibling appointments do not clash). If your child is having an SEND review* over these two weeks, you don't need to come to parents' evening as well!

**The ones that were cancelled due to Ofsted will be rearranged soon!*



Remembrance Day (poppies)

It is Remembrance Day on Wednesday so we will be observing a minute's silence at 11am. Poppies (and other poppy-related items!) are still on sale until Friday with all proceeds going to the Royal British Legion. We will remember them…

Stocksbridge Leisure Centre Christmas Fayre

Now Halloween and Bonfire Night are over, thoughts start turning to Christmas! With this in mind, Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre will be hosting their Christmas Fayre on Sunday 22nd November (see attached flyer for more details).

Mr Gaughan

Nurturing confidence, nurturing potential, nurturing success.

Celebrating Achievement

Well done to the following children:

- **Bronze:** Caspian, Elena (Ash); Ellis, Ayla-Mae, Ada (Willow); Roscoe, Thomas P (Rowan); D'low, Tori (Oak)
- **Silver:** Reece (Ash); Lucy, George (Rowan); Darcy, Nayel (Sycamore)
- **Nursery Stars of the Week:** Ryu, Leo (Seedlings); Grace, Aahil (Saplings)
- **Attendance winners:** Attendance was a disappointing 93.9% overall last week. Well done to Oak class who got 100% though – our first of the year!
- **House Point winners:** It was a great week for housepoints though – with 3 teams getting over 300 points each. The winners though were Asia (their 3rd win of the year!).
- **Sumdog Superstars:** Frankie-Lola & William (Rowan); Maddie B & Thomas M (Sycamore); Henry B & Tori (Oak)
- Well done to all the children who spoke to our Ofsted inspectors last week – you were very sensible!



This week's birthdays:
Billy (10), Maddie P (9), Jude (8), Joely (11),

This week's 'School Standard' is:
Push myself (take a risk with my learning)

What's Happening?

Little Seedlings are thinking about different ways to build

Saplings are making bird feeders in Forest Schools

Meanwhile in their Forest Schools session, Ash will be focusing on the story of 'Stick Man' by Julia Donaldson.

Willow will be continuing with addition and subtraction in their Maths lessons.

Children in The Learning Zone will be writing 'opposite poems' this week.

Rowan are learning about the Eat Well plate and what different foods do for us in Science.

Sycamore are starting their coding unit in DT.

Oak are writing about evacuees.

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