

# Stocks Lane Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd January 2026

## This Week's Wonderful Achievements

**House Dojos- Gold** is the winning team this week with the most Dojo points. Well done!

Emerald	2399
Ruby	2479
Silver	2367
Gold	2487
Amethyst	2462
Diamond	2398
Sapphire	2393

### Lily's Friendship Award

Willow	<b>Israel</b> is always offering to help his friends and the teachers in Willow. He is a super helper!
Laurel	<b>Zach</b> has been a superstar friend to everyone in Laurel Class this week and never fails to make everyone smile. Well done Zach!
Sycamore	<b>Amani</b> is always such a good friend to every one.
Rowan	<b>Archer</b> has been helping other children with their work and when they have been hurt.
Cherry B	<b>Archie</b> has been supporting a friend with the Chromebooks when they were struggling and he has been encouraging to peers during swimming lessons. We are very proud of you!
Oak	<b>Rida</b> has been really kind to her new classmate making sure that she feels welcome.
Acer	<b>Grace</b> has been trying to encourage others to get involved in her activities during indoor lunch.

## Stars of the Week

**Willow (Reception) - Annie** is star of the week this week for being an absolute superstar! Annie has had a fantastic week in Willow and produced some amazing work. Annie has been writing words on the board independently using our new sounds in phonics. We are so proud of her efforts and positive attitude. Well done Annie!

**Laurel (Year 1) - George** has been a superstar in Topic this week and has done some super map work. He has named the 4 countries, their capital cities and the seas around the UK using an atlas to help him. Super work George!

**Sycamore (Year 2) - Zack** is our star of the week this week. He has been investigating the flag and searching for Botswana in an atlas. He is really enjoying Mrs Neal's globetrotting travels! Super work Zack!

**Rowan (Year 3) - Matilda** has been working tirelessly to tie her shoelaces and can now tie her own shoes independently.

**Cherry Blossom (Year 4) - Charlie** has been shining in Maths this week. He has worked brilliantly on some tricky decimal work and absolutely smashed the Lumio monster quiz, proving a great teammate. Well done!

**Oak (Year 5) - Isabella** has settled in really well and has produced some great work. She has taken everything in her stride and seems to be making some good friends Welcome to Stocks Lane!

**Acer (Year 6) - Jia** has tried so hard in her assessments this week! I am so proud of her. Well done Jia!

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## This Week's Achievements continued...

### Playtime Pal

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| KS1 | <b>Max</b> for using super manners when speaking to adults in the playground.             |
| KS2 | <b>Phoebe D</b> has been nominated by Mr Steele for exemplary manners used at break time. |



Be the  
**THE REASON**  
someone  
**SMILES** 😊  
♥️ **TODAY**

### Stocks Lane's Always Children

These children are always on task; always doing their best and trying hard; and are always being polite and kind to others. They are rewarded with a delicious hot chocolate and biscuit.

Willow	<b>Latifah</b>
Laurel	<b>Reggie</b>
Sycamore	<b>Harvey Q</b>
Rowan	<b>Kian</b>
Cherry Blossom	<b>Matilda</b>
Oak	<b>Evelyn</b>
Acer	<b>Adamjeet</b>



### Dates for your diary:

- w/c 2nd February - Children's Mental Health Week
- Friday 6th February - NSPCC Number Day
- Monday 9th February - 3.20pm Y6 SATS meeting
- Friday 13th February - 9.00am Sycamore Class Assembly
- Friday 13th February - Wear your SCARF to school day!
- Friday 13th February - Smartie Challenge sent home!
- Friday 13th February - Chinese New Year Lunch
- Friday 13th February - 3.20pm School closes for half term.
- Monday 23rd February - School re-opens at 8.50am.

Dates for  
the Diary:

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# Attendance

THERE ARE 175 NON-SCHOOL DAYS EACH YEAR

175 days to spend on holidays, family events, shopping, birthday treats, household jobs and any bookable appointments.

Our whole school attendance target is 97%

<p><b>0</b></p> <p><b>DAYS OF ABSENCE</b></p> <p><b>100%</b></p> <p><b>EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE</b></p> <p><i>Best chance of success</i></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p><b>DAYS OF ABSENCE OR MORE</b></p> <p><b>BELOW 97% SATISFACTORY ATTENDANCE</b></p> <p><i>Harder to make good progress</i></p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p><b>DAYS OF ABSENCE OR MORE</b></p> <p><b>BELOW 95% LOW ATTENDANCE</b></p> <p><i>Low chance of success</i></p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p><b>DAYS OF ABSENCE OR MORE</b></p> <p><b>BELOW 91% PERSISTENT ABSENTEE</b></p> <p><b>CAUSE FOR CONCERN</b></p> <p><i>Long term impact on life chances of</i></p>
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Please make sure you try to take any family holidays outside of term time. Children who have good attendance achieve well at school. A school's performance measure is also informed by its attendance. Let's keep Stocks Lane GOOD!

	Attendance	Lates
Willow	97.7%	0
Laurel	96.4%	5
Sycamore	97.7%	7
Rowan	96.5%	4
Cherry B	97%	5
Oak	92.8%	0
Acer	94.7%	0
Whole School	96.1%	21

## School Matters!



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

### School Absence

Please remember to phone school before 9am on the first day of absence and every subsequent day of absence.

Missing one school day is the equivalent to missing two sessions!

Well done Willow, Sycamore and Cherry B for winning our attendance award this week! Please remember to be on time – 8.50am – every minute counts!

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## Bradford to Botswana...

On Tuesday, Oak Class took part in a live lesson with one of the year 5 classes in Maun. A huge thank you to Miss Luty who planned the lesson with Mr Webster, learning about similarities and differences between our countries and cultures. It was amazing to see the children working simultaneously and learning at the same time. All of Oak Class certainly enjoyed it.

On Thursday, we also had a live assembly with the four other local school and Delta Waters which connected 2267 children. The children from Delta Waters performed some incredible dances and played some instruments to show us their musical talents.

Our children were extremely excited to be able to see and speak to Mrs Neal all the way in Botswana. It really was an incredible experience.

Mrs Neal is keeping everyone updated on Class Dojo so keep your eyes peeled for her next instalment!



## Y6 Police Museum visitor...

On Tuesday, Year 6 had a World War II theme day. West Yorkshire Police Mobile Museum came and paid us a visit.. We all did a mug shot and finger prints just like prisoners would do. The next activity was dressing up in police uniform that was from 1927 to now. The man brought in some police equipment that he used. After lunch we set the classroom up into a court and we did some criminal role play. We held a court case of a child stealing a laptop from school. We all enjoyed our day and we learnt lots about World War II. -Phoebe and Olivia F



THE POLICE MUSEUM MUG SHOTS



### Polite Notice

Please can we remind all families that if your child is unable to attend school due to them being unwell, please ring the school office, leave a voicemail or dojo the class teacher. Please can you ensure that you explain the reason for your child's absence as this enables us to be able to code their attendance correctly.

Thank you for your understanding.

### Parking

Please can we remind parents/carers to park considerately when dropping off and collecting their children from school. The lane becomes very congested at times and we appreciate that this can be frustrating, however, the safety of our school community is paramount. Thank you.

# Sign of the week

## Rain



Flutter fingers as hands  
move straight down in  
front of body

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# What parents & carers need to know about... AMAZON ALEXA

Alexa is an artificial intelligence (AI) software assistant created by Amazon in 2014 through which smartphone, tablet and smart device users can issue voice commands and ask questions in a range of languages by issuing the 'wake' or activation word Alexa. It can be accessed in several ways and is integrated into a growing number of 'smart' products including speakers, phones and clocks. Once viewed as expensive gimmicks, Alexa is now one of the most used voice assistants in the world.

## Privacy concerns

By their nature, AI voice assistants involve the collection of large amounts of data. How this is stored and the uses to which it is put has aroused growing concern. Experts also worry about who has access to voice recordings, which in 2019 the company admitted sometimes included employees of Amazon and its commercial partners. There is also the more general anxiety that internet voice assistants might record private conversations and not only commands or questions.

## Age-inappropriate content

Using Alexa as a speaker to play your favourite songs is one of the most popular uses for the device. However, without any parental controls in place, Alexa won't filter the lyrics so it's possible that children could hear something they shouldn't. Similarly, Alexa isn't always able to identify who or what age the person is who is issuing a voice command so if children ask a question which might not be age-appropriate, the chances are they're likely to get an age-inappropriate answer.

## Insecure devices

The devices and their background services are another worry, which can have software vulnerabilities that make them insecure in complex ways. In 2020, for instance, researchers discovered that the services to which Echo products connect were insecure, potentially allowing hackers to access personal information such as voice conversations. In 2017, researchers were able to directly hack an Amazon Echo to send audio to attackers. Amazon has a good record of fixing security problems when they are discovered but it is never possible to find every problem.

## Changing Tech Relationships

In a 2019 report published by the Centre for Data Ethics and Innovation, concerns were raised on the disruptive effect that voice assistants and smart speakers, such as Alexa, were having on the way that children interact with technology. From building sentiment and forming relationships which could encourage them to overshare personal details, to a fear of consuming content driven by commercial algorithms and an inability to assess reliability, how Alexa operates could considerably change children's relationship with technology in both the short and long term.



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## Safety Tips

### Check privacy settings

It's possible to delete Alexa's recordings either entirely, or for a given period, with the instruction "Alexa, delete everything I said." Alternatively, set up the Alexa account privacy settings for that account to delete recordings every three or 18 months. Existing recordings made using the Alexa app can be deleted via Settings > Alexa Privacy > Review Voice History. A final tweak is to turn off the setting that allows Amazon to 'use voice recordings to improve Amazon services.'

### Control voice input

If privacy is paramount, one idea is to locate Echo devices in only one room rather than having several throughout the home. In addition, Alexa can be activated only when it is needed by manually turning off the microphone on Echo devices between use. Users can tell when Alexa is in listening mode as an indicator light should appear or an audible tone should sound.

### Set pin code

Amazon account users can order items from the company using a voice command, for example "Alexa, buy some toilet paper." To counter accidental use or misuse and avoid racking up big bills, this can either be disabled or protected with a PIN code (it should be noted that this is an audible PIN however, so is not as secure as a typed code).

### Look out for 'Skills' apps

A big appeal of Alexa is that thousands of companies have created apps, which Amazon calls 'skills', that add useful capabilities, often integrations with other products or services. These are installed by asking Alexa to 'open/play/start' the skill. For example, a travel skill might be installed to check and automate checking train times and hotel bookings. However, it's important to remember that each of these might have a different privacy policy. A cautious approach is to install as few as possible, de-installing ones no longer in use.

### Talk about technology

As more and more homes install voice assistants and smart speakers such as Alexa, it's a good idea to talk to children about safe use of technology. Talk to them about what Alexa can be used for, how useful it can be and how to use it properly. Use it together to begin with and discuss any concerns they might have. Always make sure that children know to never share any personal or sensitive information and that if they need to talk about anything, they should always speak to a trusted adult.

## Meet our expert

John E. Dunn has edited and written for numerous computer and technology magazines since the early 1990s, most recently Which Computing, The Register, Forbes.com, Techworld, Computerworld and Naked Security. He is a specialist in online cybersecurity and cybercrime and their growing effect on education, young people and the public.





Friday 13th February...



2026

HAPPY CHINESE  
NEW YEAR

SWEET & SOUR  
CHICKEN



HALAL SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN



SPECIAL FRIED RICE &  
CHINESE CURRY SAUCE

(Quorn Chicken Fillets, with Egg Fried rice & Veg)



SINGAPORE VEGETABLE  
NOODLES

(Stir-fried noodles with Mixed Vegetables & Chinese Spices)

Served with Optional Sides

SALT & PEPPER CHIPS

PLAIN CHIPS

MINI VEGETABLE SPRING ROLL

BOILED RICE

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CHOCOLATE &  
MANDARIN SPONGE

Served with Ice-Cream

Or

FRESH FRUIT  
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# Bradford South area Family Hub

## Reevy Hill Family Hub

Bedale Drive, BD6 3ST

## TFD Family Hub

Broadstone Way, BD4 9BU

## We also deliver services at:

### Holme Wood Children's Centre

Haslemere Close, Holme Wood, BD4 9EB

### Woodside Children's Centre

Ferwick Drive, BD6 2PG

### The Meeting Place, Wyke

Town Gate, Wyke, BD12 9JA

### Great Horton Community Hub

69 Beldon Rd, Bradford BD7 3PE



For more information on where we are and what we do, scan the QR code or visit [fyi.bradford.gov.uk](https://fyi.bradford.gov.uk)

## Get in touch

Call us on 01274 434940 (open Mon-Thur 8.30am-5pm, 8.30am-4.30pm Fri)

Visit us at [fb.com/BradfordSouthFamilyHub](https://fb.com/BradfordSouthFamilyHub)

Email us: [Familyhubsouth@bradfordcft.org.uk](mailto:Familyhubsouth@bradfordcft.org.uk)



## Start for Life

### Parenting programmes

We have a range of fantastic parenting programmes delivered at various times. You'll meet others in a similar situation in an informal and supportive atmosphere. You don't need a referral from another service, you can simply apply yourself on [fyi.bradford.gov.uk](https://fyi.bradford.gov.uk) or call us.

**NEW:** Support for parents, carers, teens and adults - free online courses that you can access 'on demand', day or night, pause and come back to whenever suits you.

### Digital drop ins every day!

Do you need data, access to a laptop, or help to get online? Maybe you need to study, apply for a job, a school place or look for housing? At Reevy Hill and TFD Family Hubs, you can access free wi-fi, use our computers and quiet space, headsets and printing facilities. We can also give you support with getting online if you need it. Give us a call, a message on social media or send us an email for more information.

### FREE SIM cards

We can now provide 6 months of data to families through a FREE SIM card. For more information please contact us or pop in to Reevy Hill or TFD and see one of our lovely Family Navigators!



**School Nurse Team** - Drop-in or call 01274 221203

**Well Baby/Weighting Clinic** - For an appointment at the Well Baby clinic, call Health Visiting service on 01274 221223 or text chat health on 07312283240.

**Baby Circles** - CALLING ALL EXPECTANT PARENTS!! Grab a cuppa, connect with other pregnant women, seek wider support all whilst relaxing and enjoying a wide range of wellbeing and self-care activities. New mums welcome. Call us for more information.

**Infant feeding support drop-in** - The Community Infant Feeding Team offer friendly, warm and specialist support, including social support from volunteers. We provide support with breastfeeding and other feeding situations, whatever the age of your baby.

**Play and learn** - for children 0-5. No need to book, come play along with your children and make new friends.

**Community drop-in** - family navigators available to support you with all things family hub and signpost you to services to support your family, from cost of living to SEND services.

**Sensory Space Sessions** - Our new sensory space is now open for families to book. It's a wonderful space with light, sound and textures for children and babies to explore. Call us to book.

**C-card scheme** - supporting young People aged 13 to 24 to access FREE contraception, information and advice. Drop in to the hubs to sign up and access in a safe, confidential space.

**Tea Time Club** - Come and join in the fun at our free teatime club!! Games, craft and a light tea included. Children can also use our Chromebooks and free Wi-Fi to complete homework. We have digital champions available to help if needed.

**Birth registrations** - call 01274 432151 or click here (when using the timetable electronically) for an appointment.

**Coffee Morning** - come have a hot drink and get support around finances, mental health, housing, return to work and more

**Kid's Time Workshop** - Parents with mental illness and children to work together in dispelling stigma and building stronger families. The children can be 0-19 yrs as we will run drama groups for younger ones and Teen talk as well as an adult group.

**Education drop-in** - A session for parents and carers of children aged 5 to 16 providing non-judgmental support with school attendance concerns. Discuss worries, connect with support services, and receive advice from attendance support workers. Email [Attendance@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:Attendance@bradford.gov.uk) with queries.

**St Vincent's debt and benefit advice** - call for an appointment on 01274 731909

**SEND Event** - Are you concerned about your child's education or development? Are you a parent or carer that needs information, emotional support or advice? Come along to our free drop-ins at South Family Hubs. Specialist Practitioners will be available to answer questions, provide support and guidance. Sessions will take place once a month at different venues across the district.

**SEND Toilet Training Workshop with school nurse** - Children with SEND can take longer to be toilet trained and need more support. Open to families with children attending Bradford schools, home educated. To book email: [sendtoilettraining@bdcft.nhs.uk](mailto:sendtoilettraining@bdcft.nhs.uk)

**Winter Warm Events** - Come and keep warm, enjoy free hot drinks, pick up some free warm goodies (hats/coats/gloves) and get advice and support from local agencies. Just drop in.

# South Bradford Family Hub - January Timetable

## Monday

**Midwife Clinic**  
TFD (appointments only)

**C-Card Scheme** (drop in)  
Reevy Hill and TFD

**Coffee Morning**  
Reevy Hill  
12th, 19th and 26th Jan  
9am - 10am

**Winter Warm Event**  
Reevy Hill  
26th January  
9am - 10am

**Well Baby/ Weighing Clinic**  
(appointment only)  
9.30am - 12.15pm  
Reevy Hill



**Health Visitor Development Clinic**  
(appointment only)  
Woodside Children's Centre  
9.30am to 12.15pm

**Library OPEN**  
TFD Library, 10am - 2pm

**SEND Event at Reevy Hill**  
26th January  
2pm - 4.30pm

**Sensory Space Sessions**  
Reevy Hill (call to book)

## Tuesday

**Midwife Clinic**  
TFD (appointments only)

**C-Card Scheme** (drop in)  
Reevy Hill and TFD

**Register the birth of your baby at Reevy Hill**  
(appointment only)

**Well Baby/ Weighing Clinic**  
Horton Park Medical Centre  
13th and 27th January  
9.30am to 12.15pm

**Library OPEN**  
TFD Library, 10am - 2pm



**Community drop-in**  
Great Horton Hub and Library: 9am - 12 noon

**Education drop-in**  
TFD, 6th and 20th Jan  
12 noon - 2pm

**C-card scheme**  
Reevy Hill and TFD

**Sensory Space Sessions**  
Reevy Hill (call to book)

## Wednesday

**Midwife Clinic**  
TFD (appointments only)

**C-Card Scheme** (drop in)  
Reevy Hill and TFD

**Well Baby/ Weighing Clinic**  
(appointment only)  
TFD - 9.30am - 12.15pm

**Development Reviews**  
(appointment only)  
Reevy - 9.30am - 12.15pm

**Play and Learn**  
Woodside Children's Centre  
(term time only)  
9am - 10.30am



**Library OPEN**  
TFD, 9am - 1pm

**SEND School Nurse Toilet Training Workshop**  
Online/Virtual, 7th January  
9.30am to 11.30am

**Tea Time Club**  
Reevy Hill (term time only)  
3pm - 4.30pm

**Sensory Space Sessions**  
Reevy Hill (call to book)



## Thursday

**Midwife Clinic**  
TFD (appointments only)

**C-Card Scheme** (drop in)  
Reevy Hill and TFD

**Maternity Circle**  
Canterbury Nursery School  
9am - 11am (term time only)

**Coffee Morning**  
TFD, 9.30am - 11.30am

**Winter Warm Event at TFD**  
29th Jan, 10am - 12 noon

**Well Baby/ Weighing Clinic**  
(appointment only)  
Low Moor medical centre, BD12 0TH  
9.30am - 12.15pm



**Health Visitor appointments**  
Reevy Hill 9.30am - 12noon

**Locala drop-in at TFD**  
29th Jan, 10am - 12.30pm

**Makin Dixon Legal Advice**  
TFD, 10am - 12 noon

**Infant Feeding Support**  
Reevy Hill, 10am - 12 noon

**Carer's Resource Coffee Morning at Reevy Hill**  
22nd Jan, 10.30am - 12noon

**Education drop-in**  
15th and 29th January  
Reevy Hill, 10am - 12 noon

**Baby Circles**  
TFD Library, 12.30pm - 2pm

**Kids Time Workshop**  
22nd Jan (appointments)  
Reevy Hill, 5pm - 7.30pm

**Sensory Space Sessions**  
Reevy Hill (call to book)

## Friday

**Midwife Clinic**  
TFD (appointments only)

**C-card scheme** (drop in)  
Reevy Hill and TFD

**Library OPEN**  
TFD Library, 9am - 1pm

**Play and Learn**  
Reevy Hill (term time only)  
9am - 10.30am



**Maternity Circle**  
Reevy Hill  
10.30am - 12.30pm

**Sensory Space Sessions**  
Reevy Hill (call to book)

## Saturday

**Maternity Circle**  
Woodside Village Centre  
10.30am - 12.30pm  
24th January







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SUB CUT

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**MONTHLY CHELATION MEDICINES**  
SUB CUT ORAL

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**YEARLY TREATMENT PACKAGE**

**£1860**

\*MAY VARY WITH EACH PATIENT

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Specialist Appointments • Medical Equipment • Blood Camps • Awareness

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