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SJS STARS OF THE WEEK

- Y3JC – Nathan Wingfield
- Y3CD – Alfie Sykes
- Y3NM – Thomas Hopkins-Webb
- Y4AL – Billy Neale
- Y4CS – Kirsty Judge
- Y4SM – Katie Howe
- Y5AC – Spencer Poppleton
- Y5LR – Olivia Barrett
- Y5CB – Charlie Tolliday
- Y6ER – Dylan Ball
- Y6RD – Dylan Henson
- Y6LH – Georgia Battyte

HEALTH AND SAFETY BULLETIN

The Health and Safety Team have asked schools to circulate information regarding the recall of a 'seed strung bracelet'. The red and black seed bracelets, which have been sold by the Eden Project in Cornwall over the last two years, contain seeds that are poisonous if ingested. Sheffield's Trading Standards Officers are aware of the issue but are not aware of a supplier in the Sheffield area; therefore the likelihood that this product has been purchased by any Sheffield resident is low. The Eden Project website gives further advice and information about what to do if one of these bracelets has been purchased.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you receive any of the following, your child may be eligible for free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If you think your child may qualify, please contact the school office asap as we can make a phone call on your behalf to get an instant answer. Even if your child does not actually want to have the school lunch, it is worth applying as children registered as receiving free school meals also qualify for other benefits. Claims processed by 16th January will be included in this year's school census.

MISS HANCOCK

We hope you'll join us in welcoming Miss Hancock to the team of staff at Stocksbridge Junior School. Miss Hancock has taken over a Teaching Assistant role in Year 4 as Mr Chappell has taken the opportunity to work in Africa.

WINTER PE KITS

At Stocksbridge Junior School, we make every attempt to ensure children have at least two PE lessons per week; one indoor session of dance or gym and the other being a games lesson which will usually take place outdoors. To ensure we can proceed with outdoor lessons as much as possible, we would very much appreciate if parents could include a pair or tracksuit bottoms in their child's PE bag.

CHILDREN'S ELECTRONICS

Since Santa delivered presents this Christmas, we have seen a significant increase in the number of children bring valuables into school to play with at breaktimes. We would, therefore, like to reiterate our policy regarding children bring personal possessions into school:

'Parents are requested not to let their children bring jewellery or other valuables to school. Insurance cover is not provided against loss, damage or theft of personal property of pupils and therefore, we cannot take responsibility for any such items.'

Contrary to this, we appreciate that children may require their mobile phones if they make their own way to and from school. If this is the case, we ask that children switch their phone off and drop it off at the school office for safe keeping each day. We will not, however, be able to look after handheld games consoles, i.e. Nintendo 3DSs, PSPs or iPods/iPads. We advise children not to bring them into school.
