

# Newsletter



## This Week's Superstars!



<b>Reception:</b> George Anderson & Lily Heywood	<b>Special Mentions:</b> We had a very successful Open Day on Tuesday. Our Year 6 children were magnificent tour-guides and everyone who came commented on their polite manner and informative commentary! They were super Ambassadors for our school. <b>Well done Year 6.</b>
<b>Year 1:</b> Hannah Aspey & Guy Littlewood	
<b>Year 2:</b> Ella Dickens & Madison Purdy	
<b>Year 3:</b> Meysha Lister & Eva Walker	
<b>Year 4:</b> Cerys Pemberton & Emily Merrills	
<b>Year 5:</b> Ella Hall & Imogen Goedhart-Dowd	
<b>Year 6:</b> Jacob Holland-Wilkinson & Mia Duxbury	

**This week's winning team colour is BLUE!**

**Attendance.** We aim for 97% attendance each week. Here are our attendance figures for the week:  
**Year R: 97.3% Year 1: 95.9% Year 2: 98.1% Year 3: 97.9% Year 4: 99.4% Year 5: 97.1% Year 6: 98.3%**  
 Well done Year 4, you are top of the school this week!

### School Mission Statement

We have been working on our Mission Statement, which encompasses our aims and beliefs here at Stubbins. One of the wonderful legacies enjoyed by the school is a sculpture in the foyer called **'The Challenge'** by Ophelia Gordon-Bell. We are in good company, as her work is displayed in many public places, including the Atomic Energy Authority Headquarters at Risley in Lancashire, the Roman Catholic Church in Carlisle and St Oswald's church in Grasmere. A poem accompanies the sculpture which is an adaptation of a poem by George Washington Carver, entitled 'Figure it out for yourself'. It reads: **'Courage must come from the soul within, And you must find the will to win. So figure it out for yourself and see; You can be whatever you want to be!'** We have incorporated the spirit of this into our mission statement, which can be found on the reverse of this newsletter.

### Parent's Evenings

These are on Tuesday from 5.30-8pm and Wednesday from 3.30 – 6pm. Your appointment time will have been sent to you and we look forward to seeing you then.



### Blogs, Learning Logs, Text Messages & Reading Records.

In our efforts to make Home-School communication even better, we have introduced several new initiatives. The first is the **Class Blog**, which has now been rolled out to all classes. These are a 'work in progress' – so please be patient, (although Reception and Year 6 have been Blogging for some time!) and the children are loving them already! These can be found at:



- Reception - <http://recstubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>
- Y1 - <http://classof2019stubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>
- Y2 - <http://classof2018stubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>
- Y3 - <http://classof2017stubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>
- Y4 - <http://classof2016stubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>
- Y5 - <http://classof2015stubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>
- Y6 - <http://y6stubbins.primaryblogger.co.uk>



We are also introducing **Learning Logs**, which children bring home to complete home-based work on their class topic. Children are limited to using only 2 pages, and there is a time limit too. When the children bring these back to school on a given day, they proudly share what they have done – and there might even be a prize for the best efforts! Our **Text Messaging Service** is now up and running, enabling us to quickly get in touch if we need to, and to send reminders of events in school. Everyone was sent a text to introduce the service; if you didn't get one we may not have your details correctly stored! You may also have seen our new **Reading Records**, which are bright and colourful as well as providing word lists for younger children and space to write book reviews. As usual, parents/carers are invited to write comments about their child's reading in these records. We realise that many of these initiatives involve input from home, and we are very appreciative of all that you do to work with us in supporting your child's learning. Thank you.

### Family Halloween Party Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Infants 6pm-7pm Juniors 7.30pm – 8.30pm. £2 per child, pay at the door.  
 Frighteningly good activities for kids of all ages! See you there.



**The Week Ahead** Unfortunately, due the absence of the choir leader, there will be no choir for the next 2 weeks.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
♦Netball Club Y5&6 3.15-4.15	♦ <b>NO CHOIR.</b> ♦Football Club Y5&6 3.15 – 4.15pm.	♦Yr 4 Swimming pm. ♦Drums Tuition pm.	♦Year 2 Gardening Club 3.20-4.30pm ♦	♦Yr 4 Class Brass am. ♦Instrument tuition pm. ♦Band after school.