

Dear Parents and Carers,

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thank you so much for your kind bottle donations for the Christmas Fair which will be taking place next Friday - 2nd December. This will be our first Christmas Fair since December 2019, so we are really looking forward to it and we hope you can join us. The fair will run from 6pm - 8pm across both halls and entrance will be via the Kaleidoscope entrance (green gate off the car park). We will open the old KS1 gate that was used as part of the one way system last year allowing access to the path that runs next to the car park and Kaleidoscope building. Please be aware the car park and pedestrian gate to the main school entrance will be closed.

The MHSA are still in need of helpers, so if you can give some time across the two hours please contact: janerobinson.mhsa@gmail.com

More news on the next page



COST OF LIVING CRISIS

On the two pages following this, there is information that has been shared regarding support Stockport Council has put in place to advise and support families through this cost of living crisis.

The Stockport Money and Advice guidance page is actually a 16 page document which you can access on our school website via the Parents Page, Support for Families. We will keep updating this page with any further information to support our school community.

KINGS CORONATION BANK HOLIDAY AND THE IMPACT ON YEAR 6 SATS

An additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8 May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 key stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary.

Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order, but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)

Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper

Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)

Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

Parents of Year 6 pupils in particular, please be mindful of this change to the SATs timetable, as tests will now be taking place on Friday of the SATs week.

Have a great weekend everyone and enjoy the World Cup over the weekend if sport is your thing. Good luck avoiding it if it is not!

Best wishes,

Paul Anderson Headteacher

Support and advice in Stockport

Help with managing your finances

Financial assessments/statements, debt recovery options, benefit applications/claims/payments. Call **Citizens Advice 0808 278 7803** (9am-6pm) or **0161 850 5053** (6-9pm)

Help for Stockport Homes tenants call 0161 217 6016

Emergency help in a crisis, call the council on 0161 474 2140

Help with energy bills

Help with energy bills and warm home discounts. Call **National Energy Action** (NEA) 0800 304 7159

A specialist energy advisor at **Citizens Advice Stockport** can help if you're struggling to pay your energy bills. Call **0808 278 7803** (9am-6pm) or **0161 850 5053** (6-9pm)

Help with health and wellbeing

Help with mental or physical wellbeing, relationships, support at home, transport, finance or caring for someone call **Stockport Support Hub 0161 474 1042**

For urgent help with suicidal thoughts, call **Samaritans** on **116 123**.

Dial 999 in a life-threatening emergency

Help with food

Stockport Foodbank by referral only. Locations in Bredbury, Cheadle, Cheadle Heath, Hazel Grove, Heaton Norris, Offerton & Reddish. Contact **Citizens Advice** for a referral on **0808 278 7803**.

Chelwood Foodbank Plus by referral only. Locations at Chelwood Baptist Church, Brinnington Community Church and The Olive Branch (Edgeley). Contact **Citizens Advice** on **0808 278 7803**

Community Foodbank for Marple and Gatley residents. Visit the **Pantry at All Saints** (CONNECT, 23 Queen St, Marple) on Saturdays, 10am-12pm.

Visit **Gatley Foodbank** (Bethany Church, 100 Church Rd) on Mondays (2-3pm), Wednesdays (2-3pm) and Saturdays (9:30am-12pm

Help getting online

Over-the-phone or face-to-face help to learn how to do things online. You can also borrow devices and data for free, or buy discounted devices, with support to set them up. Call **07724 217 888**





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Advice and guidance for those worried about money

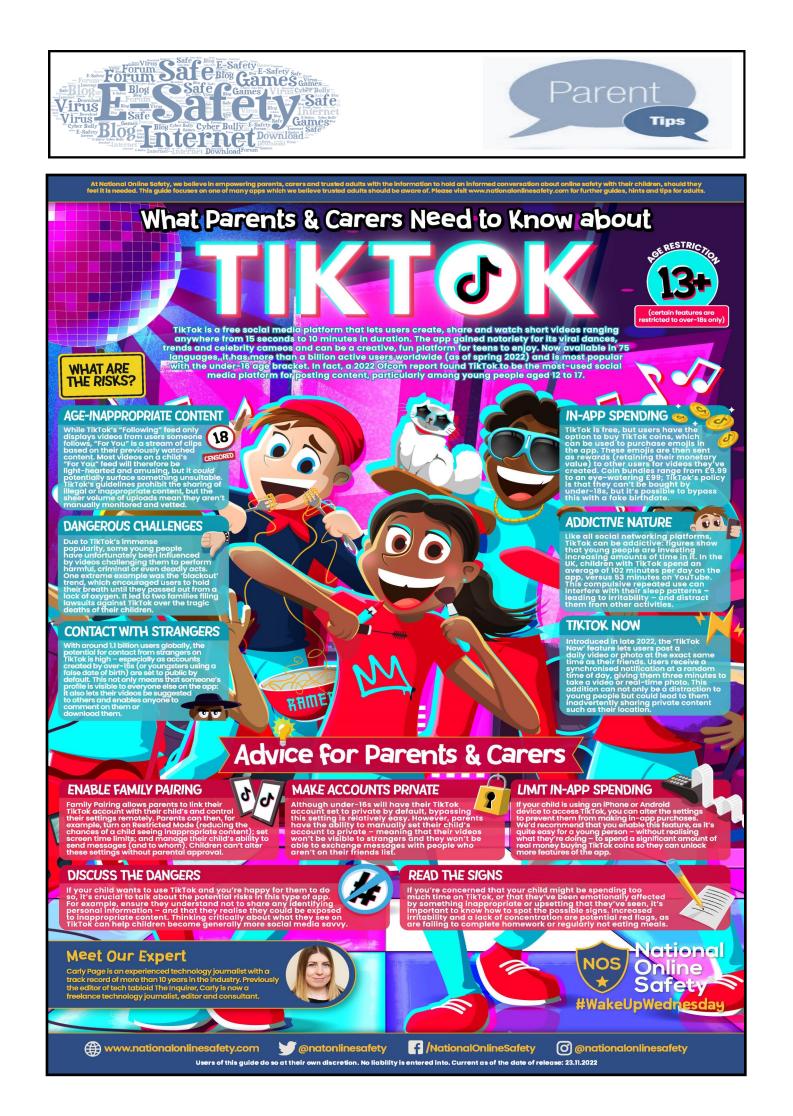
Stockport Money Advice Referral Tool (SMART)

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Emergency Contacts Out of Hours support If you are supporting an individual or family our of normal office hours, further support is available via: **Citizens Advice** Out of Hours Advice Service: (\mathbf{C}) 0161 750 5053 Open between 6pm and 9pm, 7 days a week. Stockport Council Out of Hours Social Care Team () 0161 718 2118 Monday to Thursday: 4:30 to 8:30am Friday from 4:30pm to 8:30am 24 hour cover on Bank Holidays The Out of Hours Team can support children and adults who are at risk, in crisis and/or need immediate help including urgent help with mental health. Emergency Contacts For urgent help with suicidal thoughts, phone **Samaritans** on (S) 116 123 More mental health support can be found by visiting healthystockport.co.uk Dial 999 in a life-threatening emergency





Picture News



In the news this week

Nurses in the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) union have voted for the union's first UK-wide strike in its 106-year history. The action will involve RCN members in more than half of hospitals and community teams, but emergency care will not be affected. Pat Cullen, who is the General Secretary of the RCN, has said nurses are getting an unfair deal and that 'members are saying enough is enough'. She also reports that the strike is for patients as well as workers, because staffing shortages are impacting access to healthcare across the UK. Nursing vacancies are at a record high, meaning staff are stretched and regularly working beyond the end of their shifts.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Do you know anyone who works as a nurse or in another role within the NHS? What are some of the things they do as part of their work?
- Can you think of a job you might enjoy doing when you're older? How does the job impact others and what impact does it have on society?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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