



# Headteacher Newsletter

***Believe in yourself, Value others, Be proud of your achievements, Smile, Shine, Be happy.***



Welcome back after the half term break, we are now half way through our final term of this academic year...where has the time gone?

I hope that you have all had a wonderful half term break and made some incredible memories to treasure with your families and friends.

Last half term whizzed past particularly quickly and I am sure with everything we have planned this next half will go by just as fast. I know I always say this, but this half term is truly my favourite one with Arts week, Sports Day and Awards Evening to name a few of the exciting upcoming events planned I can not wait to get going.

Last half term saw the culmination of seven years of hard work for our Year 6 pupils as they sat their end of KS2 National Assessments. We are immensely proud of each and every one of our Year 6 pupils, who have worked tirelessly for this last year in particular to achieve the high expectations that they set for themselves and we also share for them. It was wonderful to see all of their smiling faces at their end of SATs party on that Friday afternoon, congratulations to you all.

Alongside our Year 6's, our wonderful Year 2 pupils also sat their first set of National Assessments and wow is all I can say! I have been impressed by how grown up and hard working the pupils have all been. Although their assessments are completed in a more relaxed format, you can see the effort that all of the children put in and we have been blown away at how well the children have achieved.

In addition this our Year 1, 3, 4 and 5 pupils have also completed their end of year assessments too. Phew, that is a lot of assessments taking place all at once! Every single pupil has tried their best and worked really hard all year to make progress towards their targets, we are all so very proud of you all. Keep up the amazing hard work as we make our way to the end of the term, learning time is not complete just yet and their is time to get a head start for next year. A reminder to parents that we will be running transition meeting in preparation for the new academic year, more information on these will follow shortly.

Before I move on, a quick good luck to all of the Year 1 and some Year 2 children who will be completing the phonics check next week. The children have been working incredibly hard to prepare and practise all of their sounds and I have a feeling that they are going to exceed our expectations this year.

Now that I have spent the majority of this letter talking about the assessments, can I just take a moment to say a huge thank you to all of the staff for all of their hard work and commitment over the past year and more. The additional time and effort that goes into supporting our children is second to none and we wouldn't be able to provide so many opportunities for our pupils without each and everyone of them. The additional booster sessions, morning clubs and additional intervention which has taken place this term has astounded me. We all really appreciate all of your hard work. Thank you all.



## Highlights from the past few weeks

The Year 2 and 6 pupils sat their National end of Key Stage Assessments - we are so proud of you all

Year 5 visited London for their residential visit and had an amazing time

Metro Bank visited Year 4 and 5 to teach them about money sense

Reception visited the Academy to take part in some multi-skills

Reception also went a visit to Hunstanton beach and the Sea Life Centre :)

Year 4 went to Peterborough Museum to link in with their locality topic

Year 4 also visited the Academy to take part in Tri-Golf

In line with this, in the last newsletter, I mentioned the Staff Awards which is slowly going to be upon us again. Just a reminder that you can nominate any member of staff that you wish to recognise for making you smile, going out of their way to support you in whatever way or just for being fantastic at their job! All votes must be in by Friday 29th June. You can vote either by sending your nomination to Mrs King via Class Dojo or post your entry into the staff awards box in the main reception. Remember to pop your names, reasons and staff name clearly on the entry.

## What do you value?

Parents, please can I ask for your help? We are already into full planning mode for next academic year and I would like to ask for your opinion. As a school we have always valued providing additional opportunities for our pupils and making sure there are opportunities for all children to succeed in a range of areas of the curriculum, not just in English and Maths. What do you feel is important in your child's education? What is a must have and what could you live without? We are trying to gauge your opinions particularly about the wider curriculum, residential visits, day visits, visitors in school and additional elements of your child's education such as clubs. Your opinions matter and we appreciate the time you take to send this to us. If you wouldn't mind please complete the slip at the end of the newsletter and pop it into the office to pass on or alternatively send your views via Class Dojo to Mrs King. Thank you all in advance for your help with this.

## Staffing changes this term

As many of you will already know, Miss Smith in Year 4 is blooming very well and at the end of this month will be leaving us to begin her maternity leave...exciting! We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Miss Smith for all of her hard work, especially in Sports, this year and we look forward to lots of snuggles with baby when he/she arrives. In the meantime we welcome a new member of staff, Miss Schofield, who will be teaching the class until the end of term. Miss Schofield is no stranger to Southfields as she was a former pupil and has completed some work with us in the past, the children absolutely adore her and I know she will make a fantastic contribution to the children and school life. Welcome to the team!



## Staffing changes for September 2018

Sadly will be losing Miss Parsonage who has been a wonderful teacher and leader at the school for many years. Miss Parsonage has not made this decision lightly but feels the time is right to move a bit closer to home, to a smaller school so that she can spend some much needed time with her family. She will be very dearly missed by so many for not only being an amazing teacher but also leading Lower School incredibly well,

## ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS:

### Punctual Achievement:

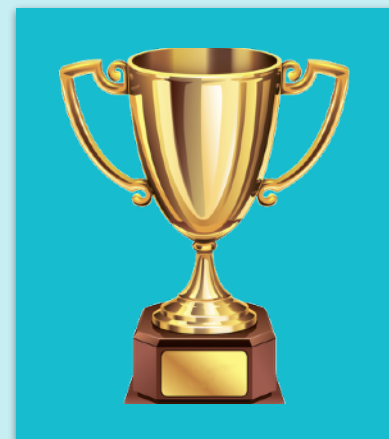
John, Jorryn, Toby, Charlie, Wonu, Niyah, Lucy, Ruby, Maisie, Luke, Laura, Simba, Oliver, Jayden, William, Evie, Giovanni, Risha, Julia, Sofia, Phoebe, Oliver, Ruby, David, Ashley, Lucy, Charlie, Scarlett, Alfie, Noah, Victoria, Cameron, Kai, Archie, Konrad, Zilviras, Alex, Esme, Jakob, Reubun, Joe, Martyna, Thomas, Logan, Kyla, Luca, Gian, Sian, Jack, Poppy, Chloe, Blake, Evan, Sophie, Layla, Marcelina, Lucas and Callum.

### Achievements KS1:

Adam, Brentley, Anaya, Meghna, Ashton, Isabella, Paige, Eduardo, Tyler, Erin, Alfie and Gracie.

### Achievements KS2:

Anabelle, Charlie, Faith, Mia, Freddy, Henry, Bartosz, Seren, Grace, Simona, Saskia, Kady, Fatou, Bradley, Michal, Chloe, Thomas, Nathan, Jack, Eliza, Ema, Freya, Michal, Jack, Chloe, Amber, Grace, Lexi, Mylie, Travis, Oliver, Shahd, Paige, Scarlett, Gabriel, Layla, Sophie, Antoni, Cody, Alex, Emilia and Alannah.



managing the Healthy Schools Committee and Interfaith Council in addition to her work with the Governing Body...I am not sure how she has managed to fit it all in! Thank you for everything Miss Parsonage.

From the Early Years team we say goodbye to Mrs Busby who after many years of service to Southfields, is moving to a small Infant school. Mrs Busby has been an incredible support to many and I know the EYFS team will miss her dearly. Thank you for putting in so many hours and showing your dedication to school. Replacing Mrs Busby we have Mrs Harlow who is an experienced teacher who specialises in EYFS so we are really lucky to have her working with us.

Mr Jackson, our IT teacher, has gained a fantastic promotion to Deputy of IT at a local Secondary School. As you all know, Mr Jackson is a whizz in this department and I know he will do a fantastic job in his new role, congratulations. We are very happy to announce that Mr Howlett has joined to support us in leading our IT department. He is extremely enthusiastic about technology, music and performing arts and we believe to be an incredible appointment who will further develop our vision moving forwards in this area.

From our Middle School team we will be parting ways with Mrs Pardoe who has gained a position at a school much closer to home. With almost two hours of journey time to and from school each day and with her baby at nursery closer to home this move will ensure she can continue her passion for teaching while still being close enough to spend quality time with her family too. I am sure she will keep in contact and still let us have some baby snuggles when she visits :)

We welcome Miss Davies who is an exceptional teacher, who is absolutely fantastic and very enthusiastic about her work. More information about her and the other appointments will follow in the July Newsletter.

From our Upper School team we will be saying farewell for now to Mrs Peacock as she takes some time for her family, however you may still see her around in the future as she has agreed to do some extra work for us with our Rapid Graspers and deliver an 11+ club one day after school later in the year. We look forward to welcoming you back soon.

Finally, we say congratulations and goodbye to Miss Collins who has gained a promotion to class teacher. Thank you for all of the hours and enthusiasm that you have given to the school and for always smiling.

We are also proud to announce that, as of yesterday, Mrs Farooq-Ayub has been promoted to Deputy Head at a smaller primary school from September 2018. We will of course be sad to see her leave us as will all the children and parents, but understand that progression in leaders careers are important and support these completely. We are so proud that one of the members of our team has achieved this in their career - well done Mrs FA. I know she will continue to keep extremely close links with the school going forward. To coincide with this, Mrs Payne who joined us this year on secondment from another Peterborough school to lead our SEND team, has made the decision to make the move to stay with us permanently. We feel very lucky to have her as part of the team and look forward to seeing how she can further develop the Safeguarding and SEND team as they merge to become the Inclusion Team for next academic year. Mrs Payne has already began working alongside Mrs FA to ensure a smooth transition over as we head towards the end of the year.

Alongside this, two members of staff, who have been working extremely hard behind the scenes, have met the standards to become teachers next year. So we welcome and congratulate the wonderful Miss Maracine and Mrs Sutton onto the teaching team for September, we cannot wait to see how they develop their new roles in school. In addition to this, two more members of staff have been working incredibly hard and have completed their final elements of their journey to becoming qualified HLTA's. We are so very proud of them both for their continued dedication to the school, well done Mrs Bush and Mrs Loasby.

## PTA of Southfields

I am so excited about the hard work and commitment already being shown by our amazing PTA. There are lots of creative and inspiring ideas being discussed already and I know you will hear from them very soon about their next upcoming events. They will be supporting us at the upcoming Sports Days so please look out for them and go and say hi! If you have some additional time to spare and would like some more information about or want to join the PTA committee, please get in contact with the team via email: [southfieldsschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:southfieldsschoolpta@gmail.com)





## BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Isla, Callum, Dhiran, Jorryn, Avika, Riley, Faith, Ella, Ruby, Stefan, Wiktorina, Ashton, Isobel, Jasmine, Lily-May, Georgia-May, Theo, Rhys, Safar, George, Archie, Risha, Kobe, Annelise, Cleo-Rose, Freya, Omotayo, Caitlin, Logan, Luca, Charlie, Simone, Adam, Dominykas, Alisha and Harrison.

## HOUSE WINNERS

MAY RESULTS 2018

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Parrots</b>	<b>1888</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Robins</b>	<b>1790</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Kingfishers</b>	<b>1787</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Canaries</b>	<b>1664</b>



## PARENT'S COMMENTS TO THE HEAD

As always we really value your opinions about our school. Please add your comments here for the Headteacher. You can return them in an envelope if you would prefer them to remain confidential.

Please use the remaining space to make any further comments about things you like, the things you think we need to develop or any ideas you may have and we will try to use them in school.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### June

Year 6 Reading Cafe 04-05.06.18  
 Year 1 visit Burghley 06.06  
 Year 3 visit Conkers 07.06  
 May Day Celebration 08.06  
 Year 3 Reading Cafe 11-12.06  
 Year 5 visit Black Country Museum 13.06.18  
 Peterborough Dance Festival 14.06  
 Year 2 visit Sandringham 15.06  
 Sports Day Reception 18.06  
 Year 2 Reading Cafe 18-20.06  
 Sports Day Year 3 and 4 19.06  
 Sports Day Year 5 and 6 20.06  
 Year 3 at Academy for striking and fielding 20.06  
 Whole School Fun Run 21.06  
 New to Year 5/6 Parents Evening 21.06  
 Sports Day Year 1 and 2 22.06

### June continued

Year 6 residential to Scarborough 25-29.06  
 Year 4 Reading Cafe 25-27.06  
 New to Year 3/4 Parents Evening 28.06

### July

Reception Reading Cafe 2/3/6.07  
 Year 5 to Academy for Sports 03.07  
 Scarborough Feedback 03.07  
 Move Up Days 04-05.07  
 Awards Evening 06.07  
 Arts Week 09-13.07  
 School Nurse Drop In 12.07  
 House Point Winner Treat 16.07  
 Year 6 Leavers Disco 16.07  
 Attendance Achievements 20.07  
 Behaviour Achievements 23.07  
 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 24.07  
 Last day of academic year 24.07