



Headteacher Newsletter

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



So we have come to the end of another academic year. I cannot believe where the time has gone!

It has been a rather busy year and as we come to our final day, I look back over the year - what has gone well and what can we develop further for the future?

Thinking back to the Autumn term the

children all settled in very quickly to their new classes, we welcomed another 90 children into reception and spent time planning lots of excellent learning opportunities for our children. We started the year with a theatre production of the Little Princess in KS2 followed by a visit from the Blunder Bus in KS1. Our fantastic range of clubs began and Enrichment also started with a key focus on reading to support the school's priorities. As we made our way into October the Year 6 pupils had a visit from the Zoo Lab, Reception visited Frankie & Benny's, Year 1 went on a visit to Hamerton Zoo, Year 5 to the Space Centre, Year 2 to Peterborough Museum and Year 6 also visited Woburn Safari Park. We took part in a range of sporting events such as Upper School Dodgeball tournament and Tag Rugby, In school we help Open Evenings and events for the curriculum, Interfaith Council and Eastern European coffee mornings. Each year groups across the school held workshops to support reading and invited parents in to breakfast meetings with the children. As we made our way into November the Year 3 children performed a wonderful Harvest Assembly, Year 6 had a Greek day, we had two Parents Evenings, Year 3 and 6 enjoyed some workshops on World War 2 and Year 3 were evacuated to Stibbington. And to end the term in December we had the Healthy Schools Christmas Bingo, Southfields Christmas Crafts, a Pantomime of Cinderella for the whole school (with ice cream...yum), a total of 12 productions during the Christmas period, the Talent show, Christmas dinner, Christingle service and even a visit from Santa himself. Wow that was a busy start the year!

We began the Spring term and got stuck straight in to many sporting events including the Sportshall Athletics and Gymnastics competitions. We celebrated Safer Internet Day and World Book Day and loved getting dressed up as our favourite book characters. We had a visit from the Conflux Theatre Group who ran workshops with KS1 and hosted the Valentines Disco. The Year 2 children went on their very first residential visit to Stibbington, Year 3 went to the 999 club, Woodgreen visited several year groups in school, Year 4 children went on a spellbinding mission to Harry Potter Studios, Year 3 went back in time at Flag Fen, Year 1 visited the Canal, Reception went to Sacrewell Farm, Year 5 went all Greek for a day and Year 6 spent time completing some Motivational Workshops. The Year 2 children performed a beautiful Mothers Day Assembly and after fundraising for Red Nose Day the Year 3 children went on their second residential to Aylmerton and Year 4 children to Horstead. To end the term we had lots of Easter fun with our Easter Egg Competition, Easter Service at the Church and a visit from a rather special bunny.

And then we made our way into the final term. The Autumn saw us work towards the children's Year 6 and Year 2 SATs in addition to the Year 1 phonics screening assessments. We had our unexpected visit from Ofsted and since have dusted ourselves off and have made our plans to develop our school further. As we continued through the term we had our residential visits to London and Scarborough, many day visits to the Spy Mission, Black



Highlights from the past few weeks

The Year 6 pupils went on their residential visit to Scarborough.

We had 7 successful Sports days.

We celebrated the children's achievements at our prestigious Awards Evening.

The children had two wonderful days getting to know their new teachers.

The whole school turned into an art studio as we completed our fantastic Arts Week.

The Parrots won the house points for the year and had a bouncy castle treat.

The Year 6 children celebrated the end of their Primary years with a leavers disco and bouncy castle treat.

The children received awards for their attendance and behaviour.

Country Museum, Burghley Sculpture Park, Peterborough Museum, BeWilderwood, Conkers, Food and Farming, Krispy Kreme and Hunstanton. We held our week of Sports days (7 to be exact) and enjoyed many visits to the academy to take part in various sporting events such as Tri Golf, Sports Hall Athletics, Country Dance Festival, Multi-skills, Dance Festival and swimming in addition to enjoying time in our own school pool. As well as all of this we had our two Move Up Days which were so positive (although we missed our current Year 6's) and it was lovely to see how settled and happy all of the children were during these few days. Just two weeks ago we held our prestigious Awards Evening to celebrate the achievement of the children and we would like to thank those who worked hard behind the scenes to create such a wonderful event. A thank you must also go to all of the children who attended, and their guests, for making the event such a success. And finally in the last two weeks we have enjoyed our week of Art looking at our theme on illustrations, we can't wait to share with you all of the finished pieces when we open up our doors again in the new year and hold our first Open Evening of the year. There were so many amazing pieces we need to find extra places to put them all up! And that brings us to this week. We have celebrated the children's achievements, attendance and behaviour. I am so proud of all of the children who have worked exceptionally hard this year with their academic achievement as well as ensuring their learning behaviours are also exemplary.

Today we say a very fond farewell to our Year 6 pupils and they will be kicking the day off with their Leavers Assembly. I have the tissues at the ready and by listening to you all practise, I know that it is going to be the best one yet. We will all miss you and wish you all the absolute best in your future adventures at Secondary School. Whichever school you have chosen to go, please remember to pop in and see us but above all smile, shine, be happy and continue to be the kind and caring children that you are.

As we say our final goodbyes to the Year 6 pupils, we also say some other farewells to staff members who are moving on to new adventures. Just last week we said farewell to the lovely Mrs Hannan, who we miss dearly already, and today we say our farewells to Mrs Vaughn who retires after 22 years at Southfields. Again, we will miss you and hope you enjoy every moment of your retirement, wow have you earned it?!! We also say goodbye to the lovely Mrs White who is leaving us to take up a post at another school as their school SENCO. We wish you lots of luck in your new role and hope you will keep in contact. We say goodbye to our Music director Miss Miller who is off to University to complete her degree, we wish her all the luck in the world. We once again say a farewell to Mrs Coles who is relocating further afield and spending some time with family and finally say a goodbye and good luck to the wonderful Mrs Pardoe who is leaving us to have her baby due in September. We can't wait for cuddles!

I would just like to take this moment, as I come to the end of this newsletter, to recognise the incredible staff that I am lucky enough to work with. I have an amazing team, who work very hard and I feel very privileged to work alongside you all. We are a big family and I am so appreciative of everything you do, thank you all for your continued support.

On behalf of all of the staff and myself, I would like to thank you all for your continued support and kind gifts and messages to end the term. To the children, I would like to thank you for being the super stars you all are, keep aiming high and trying your hardest. To the parents and carers, once again thank you for your support and encouragement.

I look forward to seeing you all back again in September. Please stay safe and make amazing memories together, I can't wait to hear all about it.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS:

Punctual Achievement:

Ruby B, Harry F, Jake B, Kelsie B, Cerys B, Theo B, Rebekah C, Brennen S, Mckenzie C, Paige C, Alfie D, George H, Oliver C, Georgio P, Dominique C, Coroker D, Dorian D, Oliver C, Fatimah A, Lexie K. Alfie H, Niamh B, Julia B, Harry W, Zoe B, Melody D, Leonie C, Sofia F, Meghna K, Caris I, Patrick D, Ema G, Massimo R, David S, Imogen S, Storm G, Xavier B, Kian L, Hermione L, David F, Lucas L, Maleu S, Natalia R, Imogen G, Faith B, Layla H, Lucas M, Robert G, Jack P, Imman Q, Keana M, Dominykas K, Efe I, Elliott H, Jack P, Manpreet S, Dominykas, Lily-May P, Mylie S, Kallum R, Katya L, Alex C, Seren M. Emily, Leah E, Sophie A, Jack P and Mia B.

Achievements KS1:

Brooke M, David F, Amelia RH, Thomas R, Ella H, Jacob B, Sian A, Lola B, Wilson Z, Toby F, Harry S, Dominique D, Jassiyah F, Charlotte S, Toby F, Aimee J, Isla S, Kaiden S, Kaden P, Liam S, Owen S, Malakhy L, Taylor G, Aaron G, Emilyya M.

Achievements KS2:

Paige J, Callum R, Jamie M, Amber G, Aisha S, Amelia D, Vilius K, Lucy B, Kitana C, Macy W, Cerin MB, Grace J, Marcus L, Jacob B, Harrison S, Katie N, Dennis P, Kelsey S, Aaron F, Amelie F, Diana J, Maddie P, Annelise W, Leo S, Ashleen H, Hannah C, Konrad A, Callum K, Isabella F, Thomas W, Libby P, Rio B, Katya L, Malachi JS, Macy W, Cerin MB.





BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Zoe-Eliora B, Henry C, Jude I, Frankie B, Luca S, Liliana S, Ashton J, Darcey S, Hermione L, Patel C, Enya-Skye T, Tyler R, Phoenix B, Nico B, Amanda S, Noah A, Hannah C, Amber G, Daniel K, Bobby C, Mackenzie P, Kaya C, Rebecca R, Lucian O, Kaden P, Coby B, Cerys B, Freya B, Zilvinas S, Evie N, Lucy H, Seren M, Isabelle K, James P, Emilija M, Imogen G, Kyle PT, Marcelina B, Charlie L, Ellis A, Oliver S, Isabella P, Thomas P, Erin M.

BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST

Thomas P, Nasir S, Ruby B, Evan Q, Fatima A, Sienna D, Miley S, David S, Victoria S, Scarlet-Rose A, Ema G, Sarena D, Harley S, Lucy P, Nell C, Esme F, Annabelle H, Caitlyn IB, Varnika K, Sofia F, Kyle K, Aimee S, Jaydee B, Ryan C, Emily M, Ruby H, Callum S, Alannah L, Filip M, Nathan P, Lily Wood, Elliot M, Thomas R, Sebastians B, Chloe G, Brooke M.

HOUSE WINNERS 2016/17

1st Parrots	8,840
2nd Kingfishers	8,083
3rd Canaries	8,056
4th Robins	7,785



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

As always we really value your opinions about our school. To help us further develop, we would like to ask you to give us your opinion about the school.

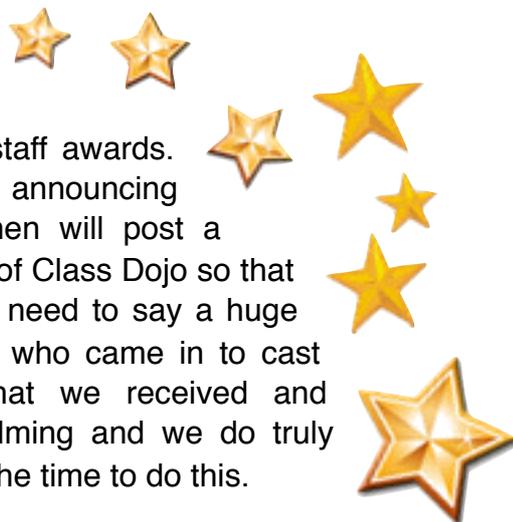
Please can I ask you to send Mrs King a Class Dojo message about things you like, the things you think we need to develop or any ideas you may have and we will try to use them in school.

We are looking to do plenty of planning over the summer so that we are ready for the new year. Your comments will help us decide what it is that you, as the parents and children of Southfields, really value, feel is important and wants to us to continue.

We look forward to hearing your comments and would like to thank you in advance for your help with this.

STAFF AWARDS

Many of you have been asking who the winner was from the staff awards. Tonight, after school we will be announcing the winner to the staff and then will post a message onto the School Story of Class Dojo so that you can all see the winners. I need to say a huge thank you to all of the parents who came in to cast their votes, the comments that we received and number of votes was overwhelming and we do truly appreciate that you have taken the time to do this.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

TERM DATES 2017-2018

AUTUMN TERM

Term begins: Wednesday 6th September 2017

Half term: Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October 2017

Term ends: Tuesday 19th December 2017

SPRING TERM

Term begins: Thursday 4th January 2018

Half term: Monday 12th to Friday 16th February 2018

Term ends: Friday 29th March 2018

SUMMER TERM

Term begins: Wednesday 18th April 2018

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 7th May 2018

Half term: Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June 2018

Term ends: 24th July 2018