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SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

NEWSLETTER

Dear families

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break and took the opportunity to spend valuable time together to create lasting memories. A special welcome, of course, to our new Year 3 parents and children. It was wonderful to see all of our children smartly dressed and ready for the challenges ahead. I haven't seen so many new shoes since I popped in to Clarkes last Saturday!

We welcome several new members of staff to Southway and no doubt you will have an opportunity to meet them over the course of the year.

Plenty of work has been going on behind the scenes during the holidays, including creating an all-weather path from school to our eco pond, allowing the children to visit throughout the year. We have also redecorated several rooms and preparations for the completion of our LaRC (Learning and Resource Centre) are well under way. Later this term the year 3 undercover area will be completed by our wonderful mural artist, Chris and there are plenty more projects being discussed to further improve our brilliant school. I would like to thank Mrs Carter and Mr LeGonidec for working over the summer to co-ordinate much of the work.

We look forward to your continued support for the efforts we are making to ensure your children receive the best education possible.

In the meantime have a great weekend Mr P Newbold

'Be a yardstick of quality. Some people aren't used to an environment where excellence is expected.' **Steve Jobs**

Diary Dates

September

Mon 16th-Y3 town Walk around Burgess Hill

w/c 16th-Harvest Festival Donations to School

Tues 17th-Y4 Curriculum Meeting—3.30pm

Weds 18th-Y5 Hampton Court Trip

Mon 23rd-Fri 27th - Y6 French Residential Trip

October/November

Mon 7th-Harvest Festival Assembly

Weds 9th-Y4 Rainbow Theatre (Victorians)

Weds 9th-H S A AGM @ 3.30pm

Fri 25th-Awards Assembly to invited parents (10am)

Mon 28th-Fri 1st Nov (inc) - HALF TERM—School Closed

Mon 4th November—INSET DAY—**School Closed**

Office Hours

The school office is open between 8.30am & 3.30pm. If you need to contact us outside of these times, please leave a message on the answerphone, or email us via **parentline@southwayjunior.co.uk.** We will then get back to you when we re-open.

Parking

Once again, we have received complaints about inconsiderate parking by parents. Please **do not** block access to driveways, or be rude to our neighbours, which, one resident told us, causes 'a lot of upset and stress'. Thank you for your co-operation.

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OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



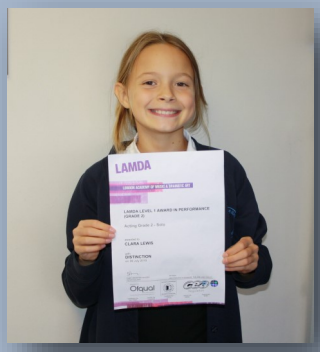
Clara (Hawking Class) gained her blue belt in Taekwon-Do over the holidays. Here she is with her instructor after receiving it. Only 4 more belts until she will be a black belt!



Vincent from Shakespeare Class took part in a Super Hero Triathlon. He had to swim 150m, cycle 3k & run 1k. Well done Vincent!



George from Einstein Class was awarded a trophy by Burgess Hill Cricket Club for his outstanding contribution to his team this year. He scored a total of 89 runs, and took 6 wickets during the season - watch out Ben Stokes!



Clara from Hawking Class proudly displays her certificate from LAMDA, after passing her Level 1 exam with Distinction.

Other News

The Southway Home School Association (**HSA**) would like to invite all parents and carers to their forthcoming AGM, which will be taking place at 3.30pm, in the da Vinci room, on Wednesday 9th October.

The HSA arrange several events throughout the year, raising vital funds to benefit the children. They would very much welcome new members, and would be pleased to see you at the AGM. If you would like to get involved, but are not able to attend the meeting, please advise the school office, and we will be happy to pass on your details.

Mr Merrick the cello teacher has spaces for a new beginners' group, if you would like to find out more or arrange a taster lesson please email him direct at ethan.merrick@westsussexmusic.co.uk



Swimming lessons have resumed for all children, except those in Y3. Please ensure that your child has their swimming kit in school on the correct day (as advised in our recent letter). We would be pleased to receive your payment of £15 per child (£20 per family), if you did not make a payment in the Summer term. Thank you.

Packed Lunches

Please remember that **no** nuts of any kind should be brought into school, as some children have severe nut allergies. In addition, no sweets or chocolate biscuits should be brought in for snacks or lunch. Thank you.