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**SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL**

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

# NEWSLETTER



Dear families

Last week I had the opportunity to accompany the year 6 children on their annual visit to the Amex Stadium (home of the mighty seagulls!) to participate in a maths day. The children gained so much from the visit and it inspired so many great conversations. The highlight, however, for many children was spotting Mr Izard, our Chair of Governors, on a promotional poster screaming at the top of his voice as Brighton secure another win. The staff that ran the day were fantastic and were very complimentary about our children. As one of them said to me in the afternoon, 'Usually schools are running around and being silly at this point and yet all of your children are focussed and calm!' And he was right.

Our year 4 children had the opportunity to visit Preston Manor and I know that they too received a lot of compliments about their attitudes and polite manners.

Under the direction of Amanda Spielman, the recently appointed HMCI, Ofsted are clear that they wish to inspect the curriculum offer children receive with less emphasis placed on the results and more on what they call the broad and balanced curriculum. We can be certain that here at Southway our children don't lack for opportunities to engage in exciting activities and trips. Indeed, in a matter of weeks, our year 6 children will be testing their skills and nerves on a climbing wall as part of their topic, Frozen in Time. We continue to aim high!

*'Wealth, if you use it, comes to an end; learning, if you use it, increases.'* ~ Swahili proverb

Have a lovely weekend Mr P Newbold

## Diary Dates

### November

**Fri 23rd**— Y3/Y4 Disco 3.30-4.30 Y5/Y6 Disco 4.45-5.45pm

**Fri 30th**—Rowling Class Assembly to parents 10am

**Fri 30th**—Decorate Southway & Fayre Donations

### December

**Sat 1st**—MSA Cross Country @ Warden Park

**Mon 3rd**—Y6 Climbing Wall

**Weds 5th**—Crawley Town Football Tournament

**Thurs 6th**—Carol Concerts at The King's Church 2.15 & 6pm

**Fri 7th**—Turner Class Assembly to Parents from 10am

**Fri 7th**—Y4 Victorian Market Open Afternoon from 2.15pm

**Mon 10th– Thurs 13th**—Half Price Book Fair

**Weds 12th**—Southway Christmas Lunch

**Thurs 13th**—Movie & Popcorn Night

**Fri 14th**—Awards Assembly to invited parents from 10am

**Fri 14th**—HSA Christmas Fayre 3.30-5.30pm

**Tues 18th**—Y5 Open Afternoon for parents from 2.15pm

**Weds 19th**—Last Day of Term

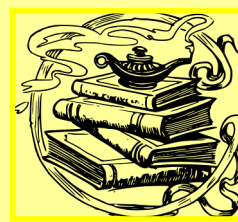
### January

**School re-opens Thurs 3rd January 2019**

## Book Donations

We are always very grateful for donations of unwanted children's books for the school. Please drop them in via the office.

Thank you.



## Appointments with teachers

If you wish to see your child's teacher, please book an after-school appointment through the school office. Unfortunately, teachers cannot come out of class to see parents before school, unless it is an absolute emergency. Thank you.

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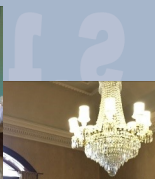
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# What's been going on?



**Year 4** recently experienced what life was like as a real-life Victorian servant at Preston Manor. As a writing stimulus, the children wrote persuasive job applications for 4 positions available at the manor house including: footman, fourth maid, odd man and kitchen maid. During the day, the interview included physical tasks similar to those undertaken by the servants (predominantly cleaning) and the best applicant for each role was ultimately given the job at the end of the session! This thrilling, immersive trip was unique and thoroughly enjoyable and the children will be using the experience to write a dilemma story in the coming weeks.



On Wednesday 7th November some children in **years 5 and 6** took part in the Indoor Athletics competition (against other local schools). All children involved were a credit to the school and participated well in their events. Southway did extremely well in both the field and track events and ended in **2nd place!**



On Friday 16th November, 13 girls from **years 4 and 5** went to the Triangle to try out some different types of exercise. There were 360 girls in total from schools in West Sussex. They got to do aerobics, body weight circuits and Zumba. The afternoon finished with a relaxing yoga session. The effort and energy that they put in was incredible - they were exercising for two hours in total and not a single person moaned about having to walk back to school! Mrs Moleton and Miss Harman were incredibly proud of every one of them.



# OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



**Lacey** from Curie Class recently won a trophy for coming 2nd in a hip-hop dance competition, when she performed a solo dance.



**Dhyanesha** from Einstein Class won a trophy for taking part in a chess competition at the Burgess Hill Academy. She came 1st in the individual completion & 4th place in the schools contest.

**Ollie** from Hawking Class was awarded a medal for achieving 3rd place in the mile-long 'Morunner' race for the Movember Foundation.



**Joshua** from Churchill was awarded a certificate for his Chief Scout's Silver Award, after completing 7 challenges & 6 activity badges.



**Hollie** from Turner Class recently won 2 trophies & a medal in a dance competition. The blue trophy was for 1st place for a slow dance, the silver trophy for a pairs dance & the medal was for 2nd place in a team



**Olivia** from Dali Class was recently awarded her Yellow Stripe Belt & certificate for martial arts.



**Ben** from Dali Class proudly displays the Space Shuttle painting he created, with a little help from his grandad.



Brothers **Robbie** (Dickens) & **Ollie** (Pankhurst) have both been awarded medals for taekwondo. **Robbie** won one of his for coming 3rd place in his first competition.



**Adam** (Mandela), **Lucas** (Curie), **Toby** (Dali) & **Suvheet** (Shakespeare) were recently awarded trophies for becoming Champions of their individual Year Groups in the **Southway Times Tables Challenge**. Very well done to all of them!