

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back. We have had a very busy first week back after Easter, full of exciting learning opportunities for the children. Year 4 spent a day at the Planetarium in Chichester learning about constellations and planets. It was described to me by one child as 'the best trip ever'. Praise indeed! Year 3 spent a day at Butser Farm, learning about life in Celtic and Roman England and got to make their own bracelets and rings. Next Friday Year 6 have a 'Stone Age' workshop all day, followed by a trip to Chessington World of Adventures. Meanwhile we look forward to our annual inter-House sports competition where each House competes for the honour of lifting the sports trophy for another year. We like to keep busy. On a separate note you will have received a letter this week regarding the concern the school shares with many parents about unsafe and inconsiderate parking at pick up and drop off times. We have already had a good response from parents wishing to join a working group to address these issues and if you would like to be involved in making our children safer please contact either myself or the office and I will put you in touch with the group. In the meantime I wish all of year 6 well next week when they sit their SATs and simply say to them...in the words of Ed Sheeran: "Everything will be okay in the end. If it's not okay, then it's not the end." Have a great weekend **Mr P Newbold**

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Diary Dates:

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Monday 8th—SATS week for Year 6 Friday 12th—Chartwells Fish & Chip Takeaway Lunch Friday 12th—Y6 Sir Teachalot Stone Age Workshop Monday 15th Y6 Chessington Trip Leaving at 8.55 am Wednesday 17th Y6 Bikeability from 1pm Friday 19th —Pankhurst Class Assembly 10am

Staffing news

We are delighted to announce that we have recently appointed Miss Jessica Crego as a class teacher from September. She is currently completing her PGCE at Brighton University.

We also welcome Mr Gareth Kirby as our new Premises Officer.

Mrs Plummer, one of our office staff, has tendered her resignation and will be leaving in a few weeks. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work and dedication to the children and families of Southway and wish her luck for the future.

We also say goodbye to Miss Rachel Hutchinson, one of our TAs, who is off to Warwick University to study Modern History in September. She has been a great asset to the school in the short space of time she has been with us and we wish her luck also.

Finally, Mrs Deena McCallen is leaving us to take up a PGCE at University, leading to qualified teacher status, following a successful period with us as a TA. We wish her the very best of luck in the future.

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Marathon News



Libby Kirby (Hawking) Participated in the Mid Sussex Mile Marathon Weekend at the Burgess Hill Academy.

Harrison Whitehouse (Curie) took part in a Mini Mile Race for the Brighton Marathon, raising money for Cancer Research UK.



Evan China (Hawking) took part in 2 Mini Mile Races in Haywards Heath & at the Burgess Hill Academy.

Arun Khursheed, Elizabeth Glyn-Jones & Adam Beckett all took part in the Mid Sussex Marathon Weekend at the Burgess Hill Academy. Here they are (below) with their medals.



Harrison Whitehouse (Curie) & Jonathan Beckett (Hawking) are seen here with their Mid Sussex Mile medals, awarded at the Burgess Hill Academy. Jonathan managed to finish in 7th place, from well over 100 runners.





Mia Scrase, Amber Bird & Lily Scrase also took part in the Brighton Marathon Weekend, all completing the Mini Mile race.

Congratulations to Miss Alvgren, (teacher of Turner Class) who completed her first Brighton Marathon in just over 5 hours, raising more than £700 for the Royal Marsden Cancer Hospital.



Out of School Achievements



Oscar John (Shakespeare) won a medal for playing for BHRFC in the Seaford Tournament. They played 4 games & came joint 1st overall. Oscar managed to score a fantastic 7 tries!



Oliver Brickell (Rowling) gained his Snorkelling Level 1 Certificate. He had to swim wearing fins & snorkel for 25m, as well as perform a surface dive.

Chloe Baker (Dali) earned her Level 5 British Gymnastics Certificate, for which she had to complete 10 different exercises.



Hayden Purnell (Picasso) won a certificate & medal for completing the Zip Wire Challenge at Go Ape!





Stuart Walker (Dali) earned a Stanley the Seal Certificate for completing a swimming course during a holiday club. He had to complete several challenges, including swimming a whole length of breaststroke.



Maddie Wright (Shakespeare) gained a Distinction in her Modern Theatre Exam by scoring 94 out of a possible 100 marks.

Abigail Thomas (Shakespeare) came top of her group when awarded her Badge 1 for Gymnastics. She has achieved her Stage 6 Learn to Swim Certificate.



Taylor Gurr (Rowling) has won several rosettes & certificates for training & showing his bulldog puppy, Willow.





Adam Beckett (Rowling) passed his Grade 1 Piano Exam with merit from the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music.





Amber Smith (Hawking) was a Zoo Keeper for a day at Drusillas & went into the enclosures with meerkats, porcupines & other animals. She was also given & sweatshirt & certificate as momentos.



Jessica Sutton (Shakespeare) Recently performed in 2 Ballet dances & a Modern dance with VBDance at the Hawth in

Crawley.