



# NEWSLETTER

*'Learning & Achieving Together'*



Dear Families

It has been lovely to see the children all settled and happily learning since returning from half term. We have been incredibly lucky over the last two week, that the whole school have experienced visits to enhance their learning. Year 5 and Year 6 were able to go on their residentials to Lodge Hill and Weymouth respectively, and everyone had a wonderful time, creating many happy memories. I was lucky enough to go to Lodge Hill and saw first-hand how vital these experiences are, and how they support the development of a child's independence and resilience. These trips would not have been possible without the commitment of our staff at Southway. I want to thank them for giving up their time, spending time away from their own families. In addition, Year 3 are today at Drusillas, Year 4 have been to Chichester Planetarium and the whole school have participated in a circus skills workshop. Add to all of this, next week Year 5 have their survival day, and the ice rink comes to school!

Let's hope the weather improves as we move into the final four weeks of this academic year.

Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Denison

## **House Charity Fundraising**

We raised the fantastic sum of **£544.20** during last month's House Charity Fundraising Day, which will be split equally between this year's 4 house charities. Many thanks for all your contributions.

## **Diary Dates**

### **June**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> – Ice Rink Activity for all children

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> – Y5 Survival Day

### **July**

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> – Reports home to Parents

w/c Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Parent Consultation Meetings (via Zoom)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day (no Parents)

w/c Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Production performances

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Movie & Popcorn Night for House Winners

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – **Last Day of Term**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – INSET Day

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Burgess Hill



## Our School Vision

At Southway, we want all of our children to be happy, be confident, respect others, achieve personal success, respect the world in which they live and to develop an enthusiasm and thirst for learning.

## Our School Aims

We aim to provide a learning environment which is child-centred, creative and challenging

We aim to ensure our children are happy, engaged, hardworking and enthusiastic learners

We think of the school as a community of learners

We recognise the importance of developing individuals' sense of self-worth and self-respect, as well as respect for others, to help them succeed and achieve.

We have high expectations throughout the school and aim to foster children's independence as they develop their different skills and have fun whilst learning.

# What's Been Happening?

At the end of May, the children took part in inter-house football and netball competitions, as well as our annual fun run. **Beacon House** came 1<sup>st</sup> place overall, with a brilliant **125 points**, whilst **Cliff, Dyke and Hill** gained **115 points** each. Well done to everyone who took part!



Yesterday, **Year 3** went on a local walk looking for evidence of the Roman Road that went through Burgess Hill. We found plaques that marked the road and showed us the direction of the road itself. We took rubbings of these plaques using pencil and paper.



Children from **Year 5** enjoyed a fun-packed couple of days on the residential trip to Lodge Hill. Among the activities on offer were a crate challenge, climbing wall, low ropes and archery. A great time was had by all!





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**Year 3** have also been on a trip to the local woods where we had to build Roman settlements, providing all of the things we would need to survive.



**Year 6** spent a fantastic week at Osmington Bay, Weymouth for their residential. The children were able to try sailing and abseiling and certificates were awarded for the best boys' dormitory and best girls' dormitory. They visited Paulton's Park on the way home (in the rain), but they still had a great time.



Some **Year 6** children stayed in school and had a fantastic week designing and decorating aprons, making pizzas, creating amazing chalk art on the small playground and spending time at our eco pond meeting the frogs!



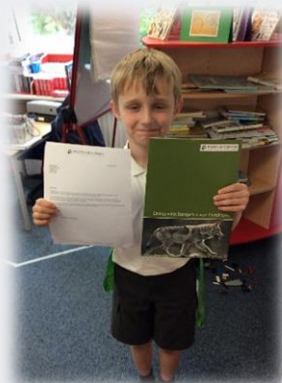


Year 4 spent a day at the Planetarium adding to their learning journey all about space.



The whole school got the opportunity to try their hand at some circus skills. They tried walking on stilts, plate spinning, diablo and walking a tight rope. There certainly seem to be some new tricks learnt! Great fun was had by all.

## Out of school achievements



Following on from some poetry we did based on Wolves, Isaac in Picasso started fundraising to save Wolves and raised a whopping £170 all on his own which he sent to the Wolves and Humans Foundation and received a letter of thanks and information pack from them. Well done Isaac!

Lots of amazing out of school achievements this week in Turner class. Martha won player of the week and also became a Secondar at Brownies, Holly came first in her taekwondo competition and Scarlett won sportsperson of the week!

Both Martha and Eden in Turner have had very successful weeks! Martha received her 'Grow Your Own' badge at Brownies and Eden's pony won best mane and tail, which then meant she was entered into the Championships, where she came second. Congratulations both!

