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SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

NEWSLETTER



Dear families

Welcome back to a new term and new year. I hope you all had a relaxing and restful Christmas break. 2020 at Southway is full of promise as we continue with our plans to engage and inspire our children. We are having a particular focus on reading this term and have recently spent a considerable sum of money on new classroom library furniture and over 100 brand new books for all classrooms. Staff were also all invited to choose a book from their childhood that meant something to them and might inspire the next generation of readers. From Treasure Island to the BFG, The Hobbit to Charlotte's Web. Staff had no problem identifying the story that took them to another world and has stayed with them through their adult life. I am sure you would be able to do the same. As a result of all of this investment our children will have access to nothing but high quality stories to fire their imaginations.

*So please, oh please, we beg, we pray,
Go throw your TV set away,
And in its place you can install
A lovely bookshelf on the wall. – Roald Dahl*

Have a lovely weekend Mr P Newbold

Diary Dates

January

Weds 29th-Y4-6 Quicksticks Hockey Festival (TBC)

February

Monday 3rd-Y6 Rainbow Theatre Visit

Monday 3rd-Y5/6 Indoor Cricket (TBC)

Tues 4th Feb-CLIC Sargent Fundraising for World Cancer Day

Weds 5th-Y5/6 Basketball Festival (TBC)

Weds 12th-Y3/4 Badminton Festival (TBC)

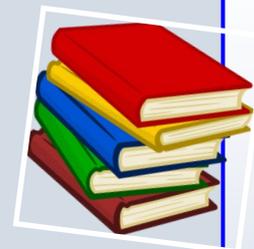
Thurs 13th-Y3 Sir Teachalot Viking Workshop

Mon 17th-Fri 21st-HALF TERM-School Closed

Mon 24th-INSET DAY-School Closed

Book Sales

We will be selling good quality, second hand children's books at lunchtime every Monday, from now onwards. The sales will take place in the hall, and books will be priced at 50p and £1.00.



If your child would like to make a purchase, please send them in with a small sum of money on a **Monday**.

Lodge Hill 2020 Payments — Y4 Parents

Please note that the next instalment of **£25** is due at the end of January.

Inset Days for 2020/2021

Here are our INSET days for the next academic year. Please note that one day is different to the Gattons.

03/09/20	04/09/20	02/11/20
22/02/21	23/07/21	

Tues 4th February is **World Cancer Day**. We would like to support this by raising funds for **CLIC Sargent** — one of our House Charities this year. We will therefore be selling their wristbands at break time from next Monday, at a cost of £2.00 each.

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OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



Sophie from Curie class passed her second grading at Kung Fu in December. She now has a yellow sash!



Chloe from Einstein Class was awarded a Blue Peter Badge, for writing a report about a tour of the BBC in Manchester.

Amelie from Turner class was awarded her Level 5 swimming certificate, after learning how to swim 5 meters and perform a forward roll in the water.



Amira from Einstein class has earned a Brownies Gold Award for the 11th Burgess Hill pack, for working hard for so many badges.



Phoebe from Dali class also went on a tour of the BBC in Manchester, and earned a Blue Peter Badge for the report she wrote.



James from Turner class has gained his Level 4 certificate for trampolining. One of the skills he mastered was going from a front drop to a seat drop to a back drop!

Baxter from Turner class scored a goal for Southdown FC during a recent football tournament. His team came second in the competition.



Alfie from Turner class has worked hard to earn his Chief Scouts Bronze Award from the 8th Burgess Hill Scouts.



Wow - what a wonderful few weeks for football at Southway back in November! **Southway Football A Team** competed in the Mid-Sussex Active football tournament and played superbly. They won the tournament against some stiff competition, which meant that they progressed on to the next round, where they finished 4th overall. This means that **Southway Junior A Team** are the 4th best school in the whole of Mid-Sussex, which I'm sure you can agree is a great achievement! **The B Team** were also in action and continued our winning streak! There was some fantastic football and it was brilliant to see **Mia** from Einstein class representing female football, as the only girl in the whole competition - what a role model for others!

What's Been Happening?



To fully immerse the children in their new WW2 topic 'We'll Meet Again', all staff and **year 5** children re-enacted evacuation at the beginning of term. We imagined we were in danger from German bombing raids (as we were living in London) and the class teachers took the children by train to rural Wales to comply with Operation Pied Piper. In Wales, the Billeting Officer organised families to take the children in and have them live in their homes, possibly for the duration of the war. The experience of the evacuees relied entirely on whether a kind or unkind host had taken them in.



On Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th, **Year 3** went on an exciting trip to the **Booth Museum**. We got to look at the fascinating animals, as well as touch a real human skeleton! We learnt lots about what our skeleton does and how it works, as well as getting up close with skulls from animals like horses and tigers. We even got to enjoy all of the birds and other animals the museum has to offer. We all had a wonderful time in this very interesting and intriguing museum.

A group of **Y3 & Y4** children visited **Warden Park Academy** on Wednesday, to take part in a sports hall athletics competition. All the children tried their best, & Mrs Tullett & Mr Kuxhaus were very proud of them.



Most of the children will be familiar with Mrs West, who until recently, was a TA in Y4. We are delighted to announce that she has now started a new role as Learning & Inclusion Mentor; working to support children in all year groups & helping them to overcome barriers to their learning.