



Southmead Primary School Newsletter

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Hello everyone.

This week has seen many great opportunities for our children, such as:

Clubs

Our clubs have commenced this week and I am very grateful for all of the time that our teachers, staff and parents give up for these. The smiles on the children's faces was so rewarding for us all as they were enjoying Basketball, Cricket, Tennis, Girls and Boys Football, Multi-Skills and Choir. This is just a small selection of the 17 clubs we currently offer!



STEM Challenge

We welcomed Paul Mullen, from North Devon Manufacturers' Association, into the school to lead this year's inter-school STEM Challenge. The children built some fantastic structures, many of which held an egg for the required 30 seconds. We are currently awaiting our results, compared to others school, and are hopeful to hear back within the coming week. Please look out for pictures on our website.

Music

As some of you may be aware, our guitar teacher has been on maternity leave and has since decided not to return to teaching guitar. I would like to wish Jess Worth every joy with her little one. Keen to continue with our music opportunities, we have welcomed Stevie-Ray Latham to our peripatetic music team. He is currently offering both guitar and drum lessons. If your child would be interested in learning any instrument, please let us know and we will try our very best to organise lessons.

Recent Parent Tours

Already this term, we have welcomed many new pupils. The parents who have visited to look around have noticed and have pointed out how well-behaved and polite our children are. This is a huge credit to all of our children, you (as parents and carers) and our teachers' and staff's consistent approaches. Well done to our pupils and thank you.

Pull Your Socks Up

On Friday, we raised awareness of Autism with our pupils. Our children were very respectful and thoughtful regarding the challenges that children and adults who have autism face, and are keen to help. As a result, we raised £158.62 which will go towards resources for our SEND Department and all of the children at our school.

Assemblies

On Tuesday, we welcomed our local Life Guards for a water safety assembly. Our children were fully engaged in their presentations and learnt so much. I would like to thank the Life Guard Team for their time and support.

Census Day

Thursday 16th May, is Census Day for our school. Therefore, we have a special dinner menu. Please note that the options will be:
Option 1 - Sausage roll and chips
Option 2 - Veggie Sausage roll and chip (v)
Option 3 - Pitta stuffed with chicken mayo
Option 4 - Pitta stuffed with cheesy coleslaw (v)

Lost Property

Currently, our Lost Property bin is over-flowing. For the next week, we will attempt to roll the bin outside the main entrance each day. If your child is missing any items, please feel free to check if the items are in the bin. Any school uniform that is unclaimed will be put out on a table and you can help yourself. Donations would be appreciated. With this in mind, can I please ask that **all** clothes are named (with first name and surname) as we will then be able to return mislaid items to your child during the school day.

Take care,

Mr Plumb

Girls U16 County Cup Football Final

There are FREE tickets for all girls' u18 yrs to watch the Girls U16 Devon Football Association County Cup Final on Friday 10th May at Coach Road, Newton Abbott. The final is SB Frankfort v Moors Youth which should be a cracking game! In addition to the free entry, all U18 girls who attend will be entered into a free prize draw to win some great prizes including Nike football boots and Nike trainers. The cost for any u16 boys would be £2 and for 16+ (adults) the entry fee is £4. Gates open at 6pm for a 7:15pm kick off. The bar and food hut will be open so there will be refreshments and hot food available.

SFA Meeting

The SFA are meeting on **Tuesday 7th May at 9am** in the bungalow to plan events for this term. The meeting is open to all parents and we would strongly encourage you to come along, share ideas and find out what we do - it is a great way to meet other parents and support your school!

Show Jumping

Isabel L competed in the second round of the North Devon School Show Jumping League on Sunday 26th April and came 4th in the 40cm out of 31, with a first on her last competition she currently holds 1st place on the leader board with 22 points, 6 points ahead of her closest competitor, with 4 more rounds to go. Competing in the 50cm had a clear round but no placing.

KS1 Star of the Week

KS1 and EYFS will be getting their certificates from Mr Plumb on Mondays from now on (Tuesday this week)

Car Boot Sale

We would like to gauge interest for a Car Boot Sale in June (potentially Saturday 8th). If you would like a spot, please contact the school office by Friday 10th May. We will then decide if there are enough sellers to go ahead.



Star of the Week

0HER	Faith T
0STA	Chester H
1SHR	Neiko M-P
1PER	Hayden M
2SAN	Milly M
2KIT	Jasmine W
3CUR	Luke S
3PUF	Emily C
4POR	Lilly B
4DOL	Archie E
5OTT	Amelie S
5/6GRE	Amelia H
6BLE	Elece B

Class Attendance %

0HER	91.43
0STA	96.26
1SHR	92.90
1PER	98.52
2SAN	96.67
2KIT	96.67
3CUR	94.8
3PUF	99.58
4POR	95.77
4DOL	96.92
5OTT	94.12
5/6GRE	98.79
6BLE	93.57

Golden Table of the week

KS1		KS2	
Amelie P	2SAN	Codie K	3PUF
Aoife B	2SAN	Cara S	3PUF
Elijah L	2KIT	Tyler W	4DOL
Marley W	2KIT	Reuben W	5/6GRE
Lunchtime Class of the week			
KS1		KS2	
Periwinkles		Puffins	

Coming up...

Tue 7th May - Year 1 Try Tennis
Tue 7th May - Governors Meeting
Fri 10th May - Class and Year 6 Leavers Photos

Most Improved Attendance

KS1 = Periwinkles KS2 = Dolphins
5 minutes extra playtime on Tuesday!

Highest Class Attendance

KS1 = Periwinkles KS2 = Puffins
Whole class wins a prize!