



# Southmead Primary School Newsletter

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Another week seems to have flown by although the children and staff have had a great week!

### World Book Day

It was lovely to see so many children and staff dressed up for World Book Day! The time and effort put in by everyone was truly a sight to be seen. The children had fun and it was clear to see their engagement in the texts that interest them and that they are reading. Furthermore, we have pictures of staff dressed as you have never seen them before! How often are you greeted by a giraffe on the main desk?

### Multi-Skills - Reception

On Tuesday, I enjoyed spending some time with our Reception children as they visited Braunton Academy for the annual Multi-Skills morning. It was such fun and the children really engaged in the activities which helped develop both fine and gross motor skills. I would like to extend my thanks to Mrs Angie Sayer, at Braunton Academy for organising such a wonderful and beneficial event and also the students that supported her with the session. They were great ambassadors for the school, encouraged our pupils and made the morning even better! Thank you to all.

### Training and Support

Over the last week, you may have noticed that a couple of staff haven't been in school. We take our staff training very seriously as it benefits our staff but most of all our children. This week, staff have attended Literacy Training which is enhancing all of our pupil's writing in all year groups. This also develops the vocabulary that the children use in the writing, across all curriculum subjects and in and out of school. Check with your child to see how their vocabulary is developing and the new words they can tell you about! I have also attended OFSTED training to ensure that we are up - to - date with the proposed inspection framework, and we ensure that a broad and balanced curriculum is reflected here at Southmead.

Finally, some staff will be welcoming Trainee Teachers from Exeter and Plymouth Universities in the coming days and week. We are very keen to support this journey that all teachers have been on in their teaching careers. This scheme also brings in new initiatives, additional adult support across our school and finances that can be used in all areas of school to support all of our children's learning and improve the resources available to them. The prospects that this offers are very exciting...



Southmead pupils presenting a cheque to Ali Hunt from the North Devon Hospice for £253.74

Have a great weekend. Enjoy the time with family and friends.  
Mr Plumb



On **Monday 11th March** we will be getting ready for **Red Nose Day**....

**KS1 - Spot The Difference -** Pupils bring 50p to enter the Spot the Difference competition, to be run at lunchtime. Prizes are: 1st pupil to find all differences wins 50 points for their house, 2nd pupil wins 30 points and 3rd pupil wins 20 points.

**KS2 - Quiz -** Pupils bring 50p to enter the Quiz, to be run at lunchtime. Prizes are: pupils with most correct answers wins 50 points for their house, 2nd number of correct answers wins 30 points and 3rd number of correct answers wins 20 points.

On **Friday 15th March** - All pupils (and staff if they wish) are to wear red and pay £1.



**Events**

Please look out for up - and - coming events. We have the Red Nose Day events on Monday and we also have an Easter Egg Roll *and* possibly the largest Easter Egg Hunt you've seen, in the coming weeks before Easter. Please keep checking the weekly Newsletters, your emails, our Website and our App for updates!



Class Attendance %	
0HER	94.2
0STA	94.09
1PER	92.76
1SHR	88.39
2SAN	97.27
2KIT	98.64
3CUR	96.4
3PUF	98.08
4POR	97.31
4DOL	98.52
5OTT	93.23
5/6GRE	97.58
6BLE	97.14

Star of the Week	
0HER	Erin B
0STA	Cody A
1PER	Arthur C
1SHR	Jennifer K
2SAN	Amelia M
2KIT	Maizey B
3CUR	Quentin S
3PUF	Martha M
4POR	Chloe W
4DOL	Leo P
5OTT	Freya M
5/6GRE	Oran S
6BLE	Grace H

Golden Table of the week			
KS1		KS2	
Sophia D	1PER	Renee S	4POR
Seb B	1SHR	Rhys H	6BLE
Oscar G	1SHR	Jesse W	6BLE
Annabel F	2SAN	Summer S	6BLE
Lunchtime Class of the week			
KS1		KS2	
1SHRIMPS		3CURLLEWS	

**Coming up...**

- Mon 11th Mar - Red Nose Quiz and Spot the Diff. 50p
- Tue 12th Mar - Year 2 Exmoor Zoo Trip
- Tue 12th Mar - NO TENNIS CLUB
- Thu 14th Mar - Year 1 Exmoor Zoo Trip
- Fri 15th Mar - Red Nose Day, wear red and donate £1
- Thu 21st Mar - NO NETBALL or SKILLS2PLAY