



Newsletter

October 5th 2018

Southwood Infant School's biweekly publication for Parents, Teachers, Governors and Friends.

Dear Parents,

Harvest Festival

We are looking forward to our Harvest Festival celebrations on Friday 12th October. Just to remind everyone that we will be holding two special assemblies on that day which parents are welcome to attend. Our Reception children will perform at 9.15 am and our Year 1 and 2 children at 2.15 pm. We hope you will be able to come along for our celebrations in the school hall where all classes will perform a poem/song and we can all join in singing some harvest songs.

Once again, we will be supporting the Farnborough Foodbank Charity.

The top ten donations they need are; UHT milk, tinned meat, jam, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding, long life fruit juice, tinned sponge puddings, small instant coffee, shampoo, shower gel, washing up liquid.

Please bring your donations to school by Friday 12th October. Thank you as always for your generous support.

Year 1 and 2 Visit Windsor Castle

The children had a wonderful time visiting Windsor Castle last week. They were very lucky to have had a visit from Sergeant Turner, a Cold Stream Guard, at the beginning of the week. The children were able to ask him questions and he told them lots of things to look out for around the castle.

The children enjoyed wonderful sunny weather and started their day delighting in the music and ceremony of the changing of the guard. They also took part in a fantastic workshop - 'What were castles for?' Here they were able to dress up and learn about how the castle was built and some of its key features. The rest of the day was spent exploring the state apartments and St George's Chapel. Although the Queen was not in residence for their visit they had a fantastic day and learnt lots of new things for their topic. Many thanks to all the teachers and staff for organising a really great first-hand experience of a castle.



Excellence- Respect- Enjoyment

Parent Consultation Evenings

Please don't forget to book your consultation slot via the on-line booking system which went live on Friday 28th September. This is available through Parentmail or the link on our school website. If you are unable to book on line please phone the school office who will arrange an appointment for you.

Tuesday 16th October 3.30 – 5.30 pm

Wednesday 17th October 4 – 7 pm

Parent Presentations

Thank you to all the parents who came along to our presentations this week. They were really well attended. If you were unable to come or would like a reminder then you will find the slides for our Phonics Presentation on our website under the Year R tab. The presentation from our new parents talk will be on there soon.

Clubs

We still have a few places available for our Multi Sports after school club on Wednesdays and Judo on Wednesday mornings 8 – 8.45 am.

Spotlight on Early Years

How wonderful it is to have our full complement of children! The Early Years children have settled in beautifully and have been really busy with lots of great learning and fun. This week they have been making apple crumbles. They carefully followed the recipe and ensured they measured the ingredients correctly. Poppy in Orange Class thought it was delicious!



We look forward to welcoming our new children's parents in for lunch – Please remember to return your reply slips.

We are inviting Yellow Class parents into school on Wednesday 17th October and Orange Class parents on Thursday 18th October. Please arrive at the school office at 11.50am.

Schools out for Fun Club

Emma is opening all day on Monday 29th October (Inset Day) and during half term. To book a place ring on 07985 391206 (during club hours) or 07794 336069.

Following the FSIS annual General Meeting we would like to welcome the new committee

Mrs Beckford chair

Mr Whitlock Vice -chair

Mrs Richardson secretary

Mrs Wheelan treasurer



FSIS supporting major school projects

The school is committed to providing a high-quality learning environment for all our children. We have a number of major projects which we would love to complete including a new open plan library at the front of the school and front reception desk to welcome visitors. This would completely transform our school giving visitors a lovely first impression which states we are a place of learning and we place high importance on books and reading. We also would like to develop the grass area in the KS1 playground.

I hope we can all support FSIS with their much-needed fund raising events this year. Look out for the following coming soon.

Fancy Dress Disco on **Tuesday 30th October 2018**. This is a very popular event with the children, and the evening has always received a good turn out with lots of fun had by all. The evening will be split into two sessions with teachers and members of the FSIS committee supervising the children throughout. The session times are as follows:

Disco 1: Year R – 5.00pm to 6:00pm

Disco 2: Year 1 and Year 2 – 6.15pm to 7.15pm

Christmas Fayre **Saturday 1st December** - 10am to 1pm

Rushmoor Community Lottery

Don't forget that you can support our school and our fundraising efforts through the Rushmoor Community Lottery. Our school is listed as a 'good cause' on their Website. Rushmoor Lottery is a weekly on-line lottery created by Rushmoor Borough Council and tickets are only £1 a week with prizes of up to £25,000! We had another winner last week and the lottery is now generating £598 per year for us, which is amazing!

<https://www.rushmoorlottery.co.uk>

Sickness/diarrhoea

Please can we remind everyone that if your child is sick or has diarrhoea they must be away from school for 48 hours, starting after the last episode of either. This is to ensure that we minimise the spread of the bugs and give the children time to fully recover.

Jewellery and Earrings

Children may wear watches and stud earrings but both must be removed for PE or earrings covered with tape. **Pupils with earrings must apply their own tape to cover their earrings.** No other jewellery is allowed in school.

Polite Reminders

Please check your child's hair regularly for head lice and keep hair tied back if it is longer than shoulder length. If we notice live head lice in your child's hair, we will ring to ask that you come and get your child to treat them.

Please ensure that your child has their water bottle in school every day and brings their PE kit back after a club.

NAMES IN CLOTHING! We already have a few items of new uniform going astray because it is unnamed!

DO NOT allow your toddlers (or school age children) on the playground apparatus/areas at any time during drop off and pick up. The school will not accept any liability for injuries.

Remember to check our website regularly for information and updates

<http://southwoodinfantschool.co.uk/>

Yours sincerely,

Wendy Southgate

Head teacher

Friday 12 th October	Harvest Festival Assemblies YR – 9.15 am / KS1 – 2.15 pm
Tuesday 16 th October	Parents evening 3.30 - 5.30pm
Wednesday 17 th October	Parents evening 4 – 7pm
Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th Half term	
Monday 29 th October	INSET DAY school closed to children
November	
Friday 9 th November	Individual school photographs
December	
Wednesday 12 th December	Year 1 Nativity Play 9.15am
Friday 14 th December	Year R Nativity Play 9.15am
Tuesday 18 th December	Year 2 Music Evening 6pm
Wednesday 19 th December	Sponsored Reindeer Run 10am

Southwood Awards

28th September 2018

Headteacher's Award for Good Work

Merideth S - For making a wonderful jungle home

Aki H - For working really hard to make her snake

Jamie G - For fantastic effort with his handwriting this week

Jack B - For amazing descriptive writing about our trip to Windsor Castle

Sebastian W - For being really knowledgeable and a great role model on the Windsor Castle Trip

Good Neighbour Award

Jessica S - For bring an amazing classroom helper

Joshua B - For always trying his best

Maxwell H - For always coming to school with a smile and wanting to learn new things

Eva H - For always behaving sensibly and keeping the Golden Rules and being such a great listener

Emily B - For helping around the class and looking after her friends

Lunchtime Mega Stars

for super manners, eating well and good behaviour in the playground at lunchtime

Eva N

George S

Jessica R

Emily W

Zayn A

Cole F

Devon S

Southwood Awards

5th October 2018

Headteacher's Award for Good Work

Dexter O - For super name writing

Esme M - For reading every night and using her pointy finger when reading

Gerasimos N - For being a super mathematician this week, using a number line to add 3 numbers together

Izzy K - For excellent Science. She was great in the discussion about different materials

Max A - For fantastic writing this week, using full stops, capital letters and finger spaces

Good Neighbour Award

Serenna A - For being kind and helpful

Zakarri G - For following the golden rules

Olivia W - For always following the Golden Rules and being kind to others

McQuistan J - For settling in brilliantly to our school

Lucy G - For setting a good example by reading at home independently and role modelling listening and applying in lessons

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Max W

Lily T

Leela H

Charlie D

Evie R

Ellie-May B

Theo H