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Southern Road Primary School Newsletter



Headteacher's Update

Friday 8th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope the children have enjoyed all of the book related activities that have taken place this week in celebration of World Book Day. Ms Redman has worked tirelessly with the staff to ensure an amazing week for all to spark their continued enthusiasm for reading.

We welcome back those children in Year 5 and 6 who have been away on a residential visit to Fairplay House. We have heard their behaviour was exemplary and we would expect nothing less. There will be more photos from Fairplay House in next week's newsletter. They had the most wonderful time undertaking a range of outdoor activities. Mr Petruk in particular has overcome his fear of heights, well done to him!

We are aware with the month of Ramadan approaching that some of our older Muslim children in Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and 6) may wish to fast. We ask that you inform us via email before Monday 11th March info@southernroadprimary.com if your child is fasting. This enables us to amend our dinner registers accordingly and ensure that we are working in partnership with you. If your Key Stage Two child is fasting and you are not able to collect them during lunchtime (12.15-1.00pm) they will be allowed to remain in their playground and be encouraged to take part in quieter activities. If your child becomes unwell during the period where they are fasting then we will, as ever, inform you.

We are still collecting pre-loved uniform. If any family has any unwanted uniform to donate then please bring it to the main school office.

As ever we thank you for your support and hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Ms Lawrence & Ms Yearnshire



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Dates for Diaries

Tuesday 19th March 2024
Cross Country

Wednesday 20th March 2024
Parents consultation day
(school will close at 1.15pm)

Monday 25th March
Pre-loved uniform sale, 3.00pm

Thursday 28th March
Last Day of Term.
(School closes at 1.15pm)

**Friday 29th March -
Friday 12th April**
Spring Break.

Friends of Southern Road

We held a meeting today for parents who were interested in joining our PTA. A PTA is a Parent Teacher Association, an organisation with a mission to make the school a better place for children to learn. They can help to raise vital funds which are then spent on improving children's education. We are still looking for members, if you wish to be involved please email info@southernroadprimary.com for more information.

Fundraising QR Code

Southern Road Primary School - E13



If you haven't already please sign up to our fundraising page. This can be used to earn school funds when you do any online shopping. Scan the code below using your smartphone to get started.

Toddler group

Our Toddler group runs on Tuesdays at 9am till 11am. Come to the main office and Ms Henna will collect you. There is a 50p charge for a hot drink, fruit and milk for children.



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Toilet Training Workshop

There is a toilet training workshop via zoom for parents of under 5s on 21st March. If anyone would like to attend please speak to Ms Henna.

Year 4 Swimming

Our Year 4 children are currently enjoying their swimming sessions at Barking Leisure Centre. Swimming is part of the PE curriculum and every child must attend. If your child is well enough to be in school they will be expected to attend their swimming session.



It's been a busy week on Times Table Rockstars and also for Ms Tripp who normally does the results. She has been at Fairplay House this week so the results will be back next week!

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SMART CLUB

Just a reminder to all parents using our breakfast club and after school club - please remember to book 4 days in advance for health and safety adult ratios. We base our staffing around the numbers that have booked and the system will no longer allow you to book after this time. This means that your child will not have a place and be unable to attend.

There will be no Smart club on the last day of term. On Thursday 28th March School will close at 1:15pm for all children.



Attendance

Just a reminder that holiday requests during term time will not be authorised. If parents do take their children out of school during term time (including to visit sick relatives abroad or for medical reasons) then in line with the local authority's strict guidance they should expect to receive a penalty notice. Currently this is £60 per parent per child. All travel information (i.e.outbound and return tickets) should be submitted via email to: info@southernroadprimary.com in order to avoid your child being reported as missing from education during their period of absence.

Well done to 3GT ! 99.6 % of the class came to school every day!

Top 3 classes with the best attendance:

1st = 5NA 96.3%

2nd = 3GT 95%

3rd = 3MC 95.1%

Which class will be the winners next week?



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School term and holiday dates 2024/25

School Terms	Pupil Holidays
Autumn Monday 2 September 2024 to Friday 25 October 2024	Monday 2 September, Tuesday 3 September - school closed to pupils, INSET days Half Term Monday 28 October 2024 to Friday 1 November 2024
Autumn Monday 4 November 2024 to Friday 20 December 2024	Christmas Break Monday 23 December 2024 to Friday 3 January 2025
Spring Monday 6 January 2025 to Friday 14 February 2025	Monday 6 January - school closed to pupils, INSET day Half Term Monday 17 February 2025 to Friday 21 February 2025
Spring Monday 24 February 2025 to Friday 4 April 2025	Spring Break Monday 7 April 2025 to Monday 21 April 2025
Summer Tuesday 22 April 2025 to Friday 23 May 2025	Half Term Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025 May Day Monday 5 May 2024
Summer Monday 2 June 2025 to Tuesday 22 July 2025	Summer Break Wednesday 23 July to <i>be advised</i>

World Book Day 2024

World Book Day was a huge success at Southern Road; the children dressed up in a vast array of characters from different books. Ms Redman created a week's worth of events for them to take part in and these were very much enjoyed by children and staff too. Here are some images of our Year 6 children sharing their 'That's not my...!' books with our Nursery and Reception children



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