



Southwold Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

14th July 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move towards the end of term, the school has been very busy with events. Our Federation Music Festival, Sports Day and Hispanic Day were very successful, thank you for your support, particularly the many parents and family members who came to enjoy sports day with us! We have one week of term left, and we will be continuing with learning activities up to the last day. School closes to pupils on Thursday 20th July at 2pm with the Autumn Term starting on Wednesday 6th September at 8:55am.

We hope that you found your child's end of term report useful and enjoyed looking at the learning in their books during the parent consultation evening. Our pupils have so much to be proud of. Children continue to achieve very well in our schools and this is down to the hard work of children in classrooms, their teachers and of course yourselves in supporting and encouraging children on their learning journey.

We will be setting tasks to support learning during the long summer break so that children come back ready for a new academic year. Please support us by making sure, that as well as relaxing, seeing friends and enjoying themselves, children also read regularly and complete the tasks that are set. By doing so, this enables children to have a smooth transition to their new year group and the new learning.

There will be some changes to staffing at Viridis Schools in September with some staff leaving us at the end of term. Children will meet their new class teacher on Tuesday 18th July and you will receive a letter with the name of the class and class teacher on this day. There will be details of all of the staffing for 2023/24 in the first newsletter of the Autumn Term for your information and this will also be on our school website.

Enjoy the long Summer break, term and we look forward to seeing children return on Wednesday 6th September at 8:55am.

Thank you for all of your support.

Ms Rachael Carr - Headteacher | Ms Rachel Davie - Executive Headteacher



Reminder

Please make sure children read regularly across the school break and complete set holiday tasks. Scan the QR code below to join the Summer Reading Challenge!



Being punctual for school means making sure your child is at school and ready to learn before the bell rings. There are many ways to ensure your child is on time for school, from making sure their school bags are packed the night before to making sure they get up with plenty of time to eat and get ready. Lost minutes mean lost learning. Did you know that being late 15 minutes every day is the same as missing 2 whole weeks of school over a full academic year?



Gymnastics & Balancing

The children in EYFS really enjoyed taking part in a range of activities during Healthy Living Week. They particularly enjoyed having a taster session of gymnastics and ballet. Another highlight of their week was challenging their balancing skills, learning how to stand on one leg without losing their balance.



Celebration Assembly

Year 1 started the week with their celebration assembly, honouring all of their achievements over the year. They all clapped and cheered for their peers when receiving their certificates, medals and trophies. They also performed two songs for the parents and carers who attended. The children are excited and ready to start Year 2 in September.



Climbing and Collaborating

During Healthy Living Week, Year 5 went rock climbing. During the session, they worked collaboratively to help each other reach the top of the high climbing wall; in doing so they conquered fears and built their resilience. They also learned how to increase their trust within each other and improve their teamwork and listening skills.





Class Tomato Plants

This half term each class was given the responsibility of growing a tomato plant. With the help of the Green Team, each class has watered and looked after their plant in the hope that they produce some juicy red tomatoes. Tomato plants will then be available to buy on the plant stall at this year's summer fair.



Hispanic Day

This year's Hispanic Day focus was a celebration of traditional culture and craft activities found in the many different Spanish-speaking countries. Everyone participated in a range of activities and dressed for the occasion in either the traditional dress of a Spanish-speaking country, or in their own designed outfits inspired by the colours of a Spanish-speaking country's flag.



Key Dates

SUMMER TERM (2) 2023

Year 2 End of Year Celebration Assembly
Monday 17th July 2023 at 9:15am (middle hall)

Year 5 End of Year Celebration Assembly
Monday 17th July 2023 at 2:30pm (middle hall)

Children meet their class teacher for September (pupils only)
Tuesday 18th July 2023 at 1:30pm

Year 6 Disco (pupils only)
Wednesday 19th July 2023 at 3:30pm

Year 6 End of Year Celebration Assembly
Thursday 20th July 2023 at 9:15am (middle hall)

End of Term Finish Date
Thursday 20th July 2023 at 2pm

INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
Friday 21st July 2023

Children's Start Date (Years 1 to 6)
Wednesday 6th September 2023 at 8:55am

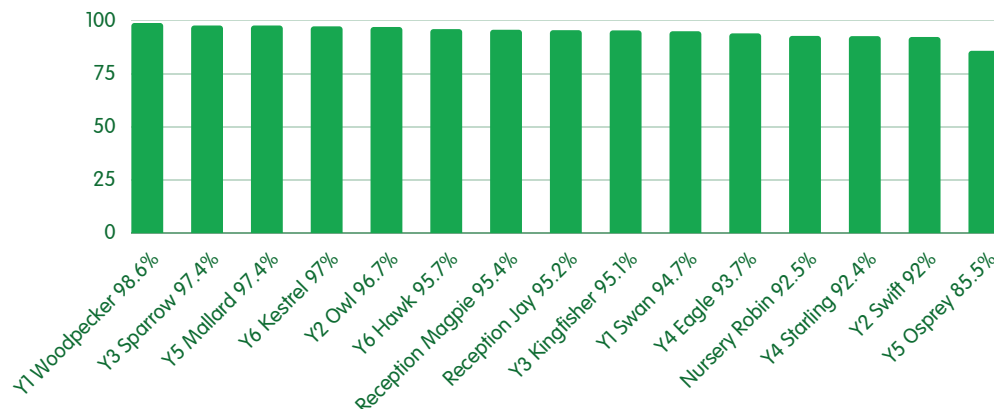
Attendance

The whole school attendance for the last week was 93.7%.


Well done to Year 1 Woodpecker, last week's winner with 98.6%.

Attending school every day makes a real difference.

Please remember that **WE DO NOT AUTHORISE HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME** and unauthorised absences may result in a fixed penalty notice being issued.



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