



21st June 2024

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Next week is Keeping Healthy Week. The theme of this year's Keeping Healthy Week is 'Going for Goals'. Children will be learning about the benefits that being outside brings on not only our physical health but also our mental wellbeing. Children will be taking part in activities that prómote being outside including workshops and a walk to school initiative. Next Friday we are also holding our annual sports day to which you are warmly invited to attend. Don't forget your trainers for the parent/carer race! Please help us to promote healthy lifestyles by making sure that packed lunches contain food which will help growing learners. We do not allow chocolate bars, fizzy drinks or crisps to be eaten in our lunch hall or playgrounds and encourage children to try out snacks such as carrot sticks and raisins which have less sugar and more vitamins. For children eating school dinners, our catering company work in partnership with the school to exceed all nutritional standards, produce delicious freshly cooked meals that create a home from home experience. We regularly have 'executive chefs' quality assuring the school dinner

Please do book your appointment to meet with your child's class teacher for our Summer Term parents evening, which is on Thursday 11th July. You can book a time by either logging onto our booking system or by calling the school office. We encourage all parents to come and take advantage of this opportunity to talk about how your child has got on this year and find out what you can do to further support them at home. We have had some fantastic examples of home learning projects, completed reading diaries and homework tasks this year, of which the children have been very proud.

As we near the end of term we have planned celebration assemblies for all classes in Year 1 to 6. You will receive an invitation for this but dates are also on the back of this newsletter. Children will meet their new teacher for September on Wednesday 17th July and will bring home a letter on this day informing you of the teachers name and their class name. Our school timetable continues right up until the end of term on the 24th July. Please make sure that children come to school on time, every day wearing our school uniform including our school jumper and black school shoes. We will not authorise holidays taken during term time and actively discourage parents from taking children away from school outside of the long holiday periods.

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

# **Titanic**

Year 2 have been learning about the social classes on board on the Titanic. They learnt about the features of first, second and third Class and how the journey on the ship would have been different for people from each class. They examined a range of photographs and artefacts to help them understand what it was like for passengers on the Titanic.



# **Fashion College**

Year 6 went to the London College of Fashion's new campus next to Olympic Park this week. They toured the exhibition, looking at all the costumes and outfits on display, linking this to their Humanities topic of traditions and cultures. Then, they designed their own mythical beings using a range of different patterns and colours!



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#### Reading

Reading for 15 minutes each day helps improve reading fluency, vocabulary and concentration!



## **Road Safety**

Don't forget, if you walk to school, to use this time to teach children the green cross code. Smart pedestrians are safe pedestrians.





**Herbs** 

This term, Reception have been looking after

their own mint and basil plants. The children

and even got to taste their herbs. They then

thought about what the herbs could be used

for and they particularly enjoyed smelling the

mint which reminded them of toothpaste!

have been completing observational drawings





## **Art Coffee Morning**

Southwold parents and pupils enjoyed a coffee morning all about Art last week. The coffee morning focused on how valuable Art skills are taught at our school across the curriculum throughout primary school and how parents can support their children at home.



## School Council

Southwold held a cross-site School Council meeting. They discussed what has been going well and shared events they had organised, including writing competitions and Bake Offs. This was followed by a tour of Southwold School, where the children shared best practices that were taking place.



# **Coffee Mornings**

Parents/Carers are invited to drop into our sessions on various themes which are held in Raven Room or the Lower Hall at 9:15am on a Friday. These allow you to meet with other parents as well as to learn more about what the school does and get some practical tips on how to support your child with their learning from home. EYFS Workshops are held separately. Please see the dates below.

Date	Focus
	<u>Summer Holiday Activities:</u> What activities can we try in the holidays and what local places can we visit?

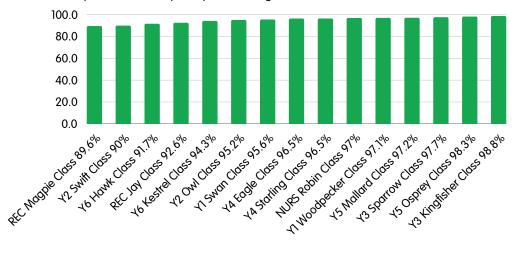
## **Attendance**

The whole school attendance for the last week was 94.7%.

Well done to Year 3 Kingfisher Class, last week's winners with 98.8%.

Attending school every day makes a real difference.

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



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## **Key Dates**

## Sports Day at Millfield's Park

Friday 28th June

## **Hispanic Day**

Tuesday 2nd July

#### **INSET Day**

Friday 5th July

#### Year 4 End of Year Celebration Assembly

Monday 8h July at 2:30pm

#### Year 5 End of Year Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 10th July at 2:30pm

## **Parents Evenina**

Thursday 11th July

## Year 1 End of Year Celebration Assembly

Friday 12th July at 2:30pm

## Year 6 Matilda Performance

Monday 15th July at 2pm

## **Federation Festival of Music**

Tuesday 16th July

#### Year 2 End of Year Celebration Assembly

Thursday 18th July

## **Summer Fayre**

Friday 19th July

## **Term End and Start**

The second half of the summer term ends on Wednesday 24th July 2024 at 2pm. Please scan the QR code to view our 2024 -

2025 term dates.



## **School Uniform**

Please scan the QR code to order school uniform.





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