

## Newsletter 09 16/11/2018

Dear Parents,

It has been wonderful today to see everyone in mufti accompanied by their soft toy. I would like to thank everyone for their generous contributions for Children in Need, and will let you know next week how much we have raised as a school community. All the money will be passed on to the charity for the amazing work they do with the most vulnerable children here in the UK and overseas. This afternoon the children have had an exciting time in their Houses, designing and creating Children in Need themed accessories for their own teddies or soft toys. The afternoon culminated with a 'Picnic with

Pudsey' including squash and biscuits which certainly went down well!





Our sporting events continued this week with our Year 5 and 6 football team taking part in the Epsom and Ewell Girls' Football Tournament. The standard of football was very high this year which was excellent to see. Despite the terrible weather on Monday, the girls played well resulting in two wins and two losses. My thanks must go to Mrs Pereira for organising and accompanying the girls and to the parents who supported the team, even in all that wind and rain!

> This week we have participated in our annual Anti-Bullying Week, focusing on the theme 'Choose Respect'. Miss Gilby, our PHSE Leader, has worked hard to ensure all the children have participated in a range of assemblies and activities to heighten the children's awareness and understanding of bullying and how they themselves

can 'choose respect'. Miss Gilby had her first meeting with the Anti-Bullying Partnership this week which includes children, members of staff, governors and parents. The aim of the partnership is to ensure that a range of stakeholders can contribute to our Anti-Bullying ethos, policy and events. I know Miss Gilby will be sharing more information on this in her next Anti-Bullying Newsletter later on this term.

In last week's newsletter, and in the separate wellbeing newsletter, we explained that that Mrs Walker has arranged for a workshop for parents, 'Supporting Children Who MR. WORRY Worry'. This is in response to requests by parents who are concerned about their children who worry a lot or have anxieties. This workshop is being held on 26<sup>th</sup> November, and will be delivered by Tracey House, one of the behaviour support team of specialist teachers in Surrey. A number of staff will be attending but at the moment we have a very low response from parents. If you wish to come along, please complete and return the form later on in this newsletter, or email us, by 19th November 2018 so we know how many people to expect.



Next week we have our first 'Parent Pop In' session from 2.00pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November, which replaces the Parent Focus Group meetings that we have held in previous years. Mrs Crawford and I will be available in the drama studio from 2 o'clock and parents who have points they wish to discuss, improvements they wish to suggest etc. are free to drop in and talk with us. In the past the Parent Focus Group representative have relayed questions on behalf of the other parents in each class but we found it was sometimes difficult for them as they didn't always have the full picture or all the background, so hopefully the informal drop-in approach will remedy this. Refreshments will be available and we hope to see some of you there.

Finally, behind the scenes the Friends of Southfield Park are busily preparing for the 'Winter Extravaganza' a.k.a. the Christmas Fair, which is taking place on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 11:30am-2:00pm. Next Friday (23<sup>rd</sup> November) can we please ask that you send your child in with a 'Jolly Jar', always a very popular stall at the event. The jars can be filled with some sweets, or small gifts e.g. stickers, crayons, lego, hairclips etc,

up to the value of a £1, your support with this would be much appreciated as all the money raised will be Tweet of the Week used to benefit ALL children within the school. Please note that the children should be wearing Follow us on normal school uniform on that day.

Have a great weekend Kate Gee

Supporting a very worthwhile cause!

@Southfield Park

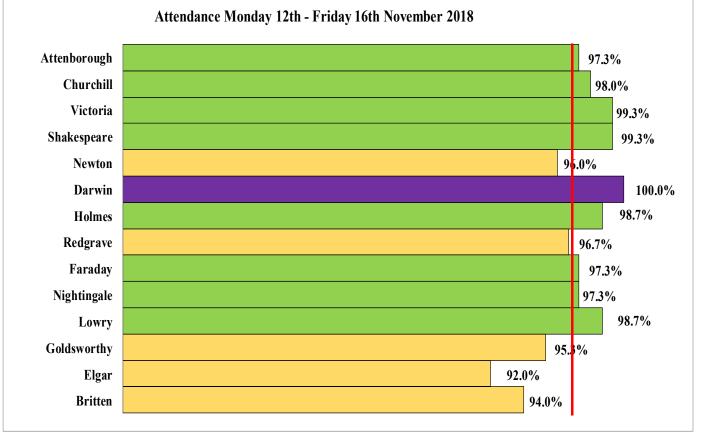




## Attendance this week



Sparky says "well done!" to Darwin Class, who had the best attendance this week with 100%, and to Lowry, Faraday, Nightingale, Holmes, Darwin, Shakepeare, Victoria, **Churchill and Attenborough Classes,** who also had high attendance this week!





#### **Friends of Southfield Park Primary School**

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Follow us on Facebook: Friends of Southfield Park Primary Follow us on Twitter: <u>@FoSPPEpsom</u> Email us: <u>friends@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk</u> or drop a note in the Friends' Postbox by the school office.

### News

#### Christmas Extravaganza - Saturday, 1st December

It's hard to believe that there is only a fortnight to go to the fair! We couldn't run these events without your fantastic support and for the Christmas fair, there are a couple of things we would really appreciate your help with:

Jolly Jars - to be brought into school on Friday, 23rd November. The children love making these, and we always see some fantastic designs! If you're not familiar with the idea, you simply take a jam or sauce jar, decorate it in festive fashion and fill it with goodies such as sweets, stationery or other little trinkets. At the fair, they can then be won in an "everyone's a winner" tombola.

**Bottle Tombola** - on Friday, 30th November, the day before the fair, children can come in mufti in return for a donation for the bottle tombola. These can be drinks (alcoholic or non-alcoholic), or toiletries - we simply ask that you make sure they are within use by dates!

Santa's Grotto - tickets to visit Santa are now available to book on our PTA online ticketing site, priced at £3 each, which is for a 10 minute group slot (with no more than 10 children) and a gift.

Visit <u>https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofsouthfieldpark</u> to book, or if you are unable to book online, please drop a note with your details in the Friend's Postbox and we will get in touch.

When booking, you will also be asked if you are able to volunteer to help with the fair preparations and/or clean-up - please consider if you can spare a little time on Friday or Saturday (before or after the fair) to help with putting up decorations, setting up stalls and games, or taking things down again afterwards. Even if you can only spare an hour, it will really help our small but dedicated team!

	<b>Dates for Your Diaries</b>		
Fri, 23rd November	Jolly Jars - see above for details!		
Fri, 30th November	Mufti Day - in return for a donation to the Bottle Tombola!		
Sat, 1st December	Christmas Fair - "Christmas Extravaganza" - 11.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.		
Fri, 25th January	Junior Cushion Club - 4.45 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.		
Fri, 1st February	Break the Rules Day - more details to follow.		
Fri, 1st March	Family Barn Dance & BBQ - details to follow.		
Fri, 29th March	Easter Discos - Infants 5.00 - 6.30 p.m., Juniors 6.45 - 8.15 p.m.		
Sat, 15th June	Summer Fair - "15 Year Anniversary" - 12 midday to 3.00 p.m.		

## Anti-Bullying Week 2018

This week we have been taking part in 'Anti Bullying Week', focusing on the theme 'Choose Respect'.

We have had two assemblies where we have explored together what 'respect' means and why it is so important to show each other respect. We discussed how in everyday life we can either CHOOSE to be rude or CHOOSE to treat people with respect. We also discussed how if we choose the rude way we will affect others negatively and could make them feel sad, unhappy or alone but if we choose kindness and respect everybody we can make people feel like they belong and happy in school. In this school, we value each other and it is important to make the right choices and show respect.

Classes have also embraced this important week by partaking in a range of engaging activities.

Reception classes have been discussing what it means to be a good friend and they have made a kindness charter that they have all signed! Year 1 have created superhero masks to show how they can be a hero if



they stand up to bullying and Year 2 have created handprints to show that we should STOP bullying! In the juniors, the children have been busy creating anti-bullying posters, PowerPoints and poetry. Some Year 5 children even shared their poems with us in our anti-bullying assembly on Thursday. The children have also been looking at different scenarios about bullying and discussing what that person should do, sharing their best advice.

Below I have shared a link to a website which provides top anti-bullying tips for parents and carers, young people and school staff which you may like to have a look at and share with your children at home. I hope that you find it to be useful.

https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/all-about-bullying/what-bullying/anti-bullying-top-tips

Kind regards, Miss Gilby PSHE Leader

## Some pictures from todays 'Children In Need' House event



## Countdown to our 'Winter Extravaganza'

## **Christmas Fair**

With only a few weeks until our school Christmas fair, we are busy organising and preparing what we hope will be a fun filled family event full of Christmas spirit, while raising valuable funds for all our children. To help make this fair a success, we are kindly asking if you would be able to support us by donating a few bits over the coming weeks.



#### Friday 23rd November – JOLLY JARS

This Christmas, by popular demand, sees the return of our famous Jolly Jars. Please fill a jar with some sweets or small gifts e.g. stickers, crayons, Lego, hairclips etc., up to the value of £1. Jars can be decorated. All food items should be in date until after the fair. These can be handed to us at the school entrance or into class at the start of the school day.

#### Friday 30th November – SANTA'S GROTTO

This is the deadline by which all ticket applications for Santa's Grotto must be purchased using our online payment site https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofsouthfieldpark or if needed, you can post your details into the black box by the school office (child's name, class, number of tickets, preferred time and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice time). Last minute tickets can be bought at the grotto on the day, but these will be limited and available on a first come first served basis.

<u>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – BOTTLE MUFTI</u> Please send your child into school in mufti clothes in exchange for anything bottled such as drinks alcoholic or non-alcoholic, shampoos, shower gels, olive oil etc. Please check your donation is in date until after the fair and that it does not need to be kept refrigerated. These can be handed to us at the school entrance or into class at the start of the school day.

#### Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS

Your children will receive some raffle tickets very shortly to sell to family and friends to try and win one of the many excellent raffle prizes. This is the deadline by which all raffle ticket stubs and money must be posted into the black box by the school office. Tickets will also still be available to buy during the fair if you miss this deadline. Additional tickets can be collected from the school office before the day of the fair.

#### HELP AT THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

Your class reps have been in touch recently regarding the stalls your class is running. Please get involved and help run the stall for half an hour during the fair. Mum's, Dad's and grandparents are all welcome to help. It's your help that makes these events a success. In addition, if you are able to offer a little more of your time by helping us with the setting up or clearing up, please do contact us either on our Facebook page or by e-mail Friends@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk Many thanks.

We hope to see as many of you, your families and friends as possible at our Christmas Fair on Saturday 1st **December 11.30-2pm.** Once again, we will have some delicious food available on the BBQ along with a vegetarian option and warm festive drinks, with lots of new and familiar stalls. Fingers crossed for dry weather, as the fair will be located both inside and outside – don't forget to dress up warm!

A huge thank you in advance from



#### Supporting children who worry

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm Southfield Park Primary School

Delivered by Tracey House, from Surrey Specialist Teachers, Behaviour Support Team.

Does your child worry or appear anxious at times? Come along to this workshop to find out a little more about why we worry and when we need to be concerned about our children worrying. We will also explore ways to help our children manage and cope with their worries.

There will be a short presentation, followed by a question and answer session. If would like to attend this event please complete the slip below and return it to the school office (Mrs Walker) by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

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Name : .....

I would like to attend the 'Supporting children who worry' Workshop on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm

If you would prefer, please email Mrs Pereira (info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk) with the same information.

## Getting Ready for Christmas DT Day

As you can see from the picture, Mrs Pereira has some quite specific requirements about the things we would like you to collect and bring into school! If you have any of these items, please bring them into school and drop them into the appropriate box outside the office:

Black buttons Green Wool Red milk bottle tops Green Milk bottle tops Toilet roll inners (no kitchen rolls!)

Thank you!



# Christmas Lunch 2018 Friday 14th December

This year, the Christmas Lunch menu includes Roast Turkey, chipolata sausage, stuffing, seasonal vegetables, roast potatoes and gravy, with a Festive Biscuit for pudding.

If your child doesn't normally have a school dinner on Fridays, they should have come home with a letter inviting them to have the Christmas lunch. If they would like it, the slip must be returned to the office and payment of £2.30 made by **Friday 30th November.** 

Please note that the meal is free for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, or for those in Juniors who are eligible on free school meals, so please DO NOT pay in these circumstances.

As we are having the roast meal on the Friday, 'Fishy Friday' will be on the Wednesday 12th instead, and Chrissy has said that with the end of term the following week, Wednesday 19th will also be fish, instead of a roast.

## Christmas Dates Cut me out and pin me up!

Wednesday 5th December	9am	Phase 1 Nativity, Britten & Lowry parents to watch
Thursday 6th December	9am	Phase 1 Nativity, Elgar & Goldsworthy parents to watch
	9am to 11.30am	Phase 3 children to walk to Christ Church for Carol Concert rehearsal—we have enough volunteers, thank you!
Friday 7th December	All morning	Christmas DT Day—lots of helpers needed, please email Mrs Pereira on info@southfield- park.surrey.sch.uk if you have a DBS with the school
Tuesday 11th December	10-11am	Phase 3 Carol Concert at Christ Church Can you help walk the children to and from the church? They will be leaving around 9am. Please email Mrs Pereira on info@southfield- park.surrey.sch.uk
Wednesday 12th December	9am	Phase 2 Christmas play, Faraday & Redgrave parents to watch
Thursday 13th December	9am	Phase 2 Christmas play, Nightingale & Holmes parents to watch
Friday 14th December	All day	'Wear a Christmas Jumper' for donations to Save the Children charity
Friday 14th December	12-1pm	Christmas Lunch
Monday 17th December	AM	Pantomime (fully funded by the Friends)
Tuesday 18th December	All day	Party Day (children can wear mufti)
Wednesday 19th December	1.30pm	Break up for Christmas holidays



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14<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Attn Laura, Southfield Park Primary School Long Grove Road Epsom Surrey. KT19 8TF

Dear Laura,

We are writing to thank you, your colleagues and all the parents and children at Southfield Park for your extremely generous donation of £273.07.

As we are a charity, we rely solely on donations such as yours, without which Foodbank would have to close so we are very grateful. Please pass on our thanks to all those involved.

Yours sincerely,

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Cathy Cox

Well Done Everyone. On behalf of Epsom and Ewell foodbank

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## **Reminders for Next Week**

Monday 19th	Road Safety Week for Phases 1 & 2
Tuesday 20th	
Wednesday 21st	
Thursday 22nd	Y5 Assembly to parents, 9am
	'Parent Pop In Afternoon' with SLT, 2-3pm
Friday 23rd	Stars in Our Schools Support Staff Event
	Decorated & filled jam jars for Christmas Fair, normal uniform

## Communicating with School

This pretty little bracelet was found near the school gates recently; if its yours, please come to the school office to claim it.



The office is always very busy at drop-off and pick-up times, and we understand that parents are also busy people too. Please though can every effort be made to give messages in good time to the office. For example:

Is your child absent from school today? Leave a message on the absence line (number below) as early as possible, and definitely by 9am, UNLESS it is agreed with the office that one isn't needed every day.

Is your Infant child going home with someone else? Write a message in the Parents Message Book in the morning, or leave a message with the office by mid afternoon (not at pick-up time!).

Will your child be going out for an appointment soon? Show the office the letter or text, not just your teacher.

Do we have your correct phone numbers? We must be able to contact you in an emergency. Thank you!

## Bright Sparks

Britten	Lucy Turner	Elgar	Tom Hendry
Goldsworthy	Molly Todd	Lowry	Skye Dulake
Faraday	Joseph Lynch	Nightingale	Amelia Oakley
Redgrave	Annabelle Danson	Holmes	Joseph Saunders
Darwin	Aimee Hawkey	Newton	Ruby Hall
Victoria	Zoe Stevens	Shakespeare	Charlie Newman
Churchill	Isla Mason	Attenborough	Charlie Shedden

Phone: 01372 743104 Fax: 01372 729436 After school clubs staff: 07824988216 Polly Sawyer After school club: 07921 147335

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E-mail: info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk



#### Tth Epsom Scouts Scouts Sat 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018

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#### Epsom Methodist Church, Ashley Road

Doors Open at 1.30pm for Public: 50p entry 10.30 – 11.30am Early Birds: £5 entry

Donations: please leave at Epsom Methodist Church on: Friday 16th November from 6.30 -8.30pm, Saturday



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Enquiries: 07736 771864 / 07961 282424 9 to 10.30am. Thank you !

If you have any items which you would like collected, please call the volunteer collector.

