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Dear Parents,

We are so lucky at Southfield Park to have such committed and dedicated members of our school community who all make such tremendous efforts to make the school the special place it is. It is at this time of year when we can take stock and appreciate just how much everyone contributes, and this week has certainly provided many opportunities to do that.

Firstly, I must send a huge thank you to the Friends of Southfield Park for organising such a brilliant Christmas Fair on Saturday where it was wonderful to see so many from our community coming together and having fun. The event raised around £5000, a staggering amount that will really make a difference to each and every child in the school. I am always talking in newsletters about the constraints facing schools in the current financial climate and this is a very real challenge for schools and makes every penny raised so important, not just for 'luxuries' but increasingly for everyday items. Emma Kirk and Angela Howarth the joint chairs of the Friends, together with their enthusiastic team, have worked tirelessly over the past few months to ensure it was the success it was and we owe so much to them all. Thank you also to everyone who came along to join in the fun (and spend their hard earned cash) and to everyone who donated bottles, Jolly Jars and helped out on stalls. We could not do it without you.

Christmas is definitely in the air now we are into December and festivities officially began with our Phase 1 Nativity this week. The youngest children certainly brought a tear to our eyes with their performances of the 'A King is Born' on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. To see the youngest children in the school perform and sing on stage with such confidence (as well as remembering their cues) was amazing and the Year 1 children rose to the challenge of taking on the leading roles. We were all still humming the tunes at the end of the week! Thank you to all the Phase 1 team for all their hard work in preparing the children and all the rehearsals to make it such a success. Thank you too to the enthusiastic audiences who came along and clearly enjoyed the show.

One of the highlights of the school year is always our Christmas DT morning and today was certainly a fun event with carols and Christmas songs echoing along the corridor. Mrs Pereira has been masterminding the event for the past month, thinking of new ideas, making prototypes, asking volunteers to get resources ready and making sure everything was ready to go on the day. Thank you to all the parents who came along to join in the fun and make the morning its usual success. Look out in the book bags for the children bringing home some of their crafts from this morning to decorate the tree.

Next week the Christmas events continue, with the Phase 3 Carol Concert at 10.00am at Christ Church on Tuesday morning as well as the Phase 2 performances at 9.00 on the 12th and 13th December. We also have our school Christmas lunch on Friday 14th December, and on that day children are invited to wear mufti, that includes a Christmas Jumper, for a £1 donation to Save the Children. Events also run through to the final week of term with the Pantomime on Monday 17th December, and Christmas Party Day on Tuesday 18th December, where children can wear party clothes for the day.

I hope you all have a fun, festive weekend,

Kind regards,

Kate Gee

Tweet of the Week

Follow us on
[@Southfield_Park](https://twitter.com/Southfield_Park)

Rocking around the Christmas tree!

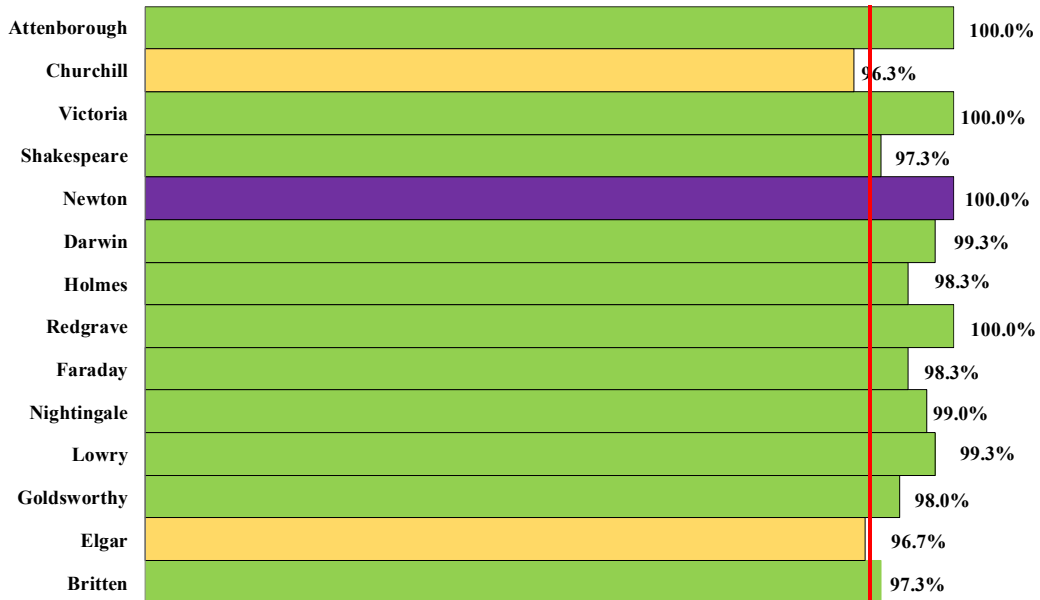


Attendance this week



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

Attendance Monday 3rd - Friday 7th December 2018



DT Day Fun
(have a look at
Twitter too!)



Starting school September 2019

Is your child starting in Reception class next September?

Remember that you need to apply for their place by **15th January, 2019**, even if they already have a sibling at the school.

Applications received by Surrey Admissions after this date will be dealt with as a late application, and looked at AFTER the other applications have been allocated a school place. You may not be offered a place at your preferred school.

Parent Governor Election

There will be a vacancy for a parent governor after the end of December, and information about the role and a nomination form will be sent out to all parents via Parentmail PMX in January. This will provide full instructions on how to be nominated and the timetable for the process, but if you would like any information in the meantime, please contact Graham Cox, Chair of Governors on:

Graham.cox@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk



Save the Children
**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER DAY**

MAKE THE WORLD BETTER WITH A SWEATER!

It's the most magical time of year – fairy lights, baubles, snowmen and of course Christmas trees, and on Friday 14th December 2018, we want it all – on a jumper!

On Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day (*Friday 14th December 2018*), all over the country, thousands of people will be donning their daftest, most wonderful woollies – all for a great cause. Everyone who joins in and **gives £1 contribution (to be given to your child's class teacher on the morning)** to take part really will be making the world better with a sweater.



PULLOVER POWER!

Everyone who **donates £1** to take part in this year's event will be doing some serious good around the world.

Every two jumpers that are worn could be the difference between a hot meal or no meal. It can help bring essential healthcare, education, protection and food to millions of children around the world who are missing out on these basics. Your support can protect children from easily preventable yet still deadly diseases like malaria and pneumonia. It can help to reach children who are forgotten simply because they were born in a remote village, because they're girls or refugees, have a disability or are from a minority group.

The money we raise can help make a world of difference to children in desperate need – and give them the chance to be children again.

On Friday 14th December 2018, nothing's out of bounds! Go big. Go bold. It's Christmas!

Thank you for your continued support and I'm looking forward to seeing your craziest Christmas jumpers.

Kind regards,

Miss Gilby

PSHE leader

**Everyone can wear mufti clothes
with their Christmas jumper**



Friends of Southfield Park Primary School

(Registered Charity No. 1110233)

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Email us: friends@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk

or drop a note in the Friends' Postbox by the school office.

News

THANK YOU!

Many of you braved the weather on Saturday to support our Winter Extravaganza Christmas Fair. Despite the damp, we hope you all enjoyed yourselves - it looked like everyone was having lots of fun! The BBQ had to be restocked mid-fair, the mulled wine went down a treat, the games and stalls all seemed to be doing a roaring trade and the Christ Church singers gave us some lovely Christmas Carols.

Thanks to your amazing generosity, we have raised an incredible **£4,870** for the school. In the New Year we will be looking at upgrading the PA System in the hall, which has been in place since the school opened 15 years ago!

A special thank you to all of you who helped out with the fair - whether preparing things in the days before and on the morning itself, running games and stalls on the day and helping to clear up afterwards. Without such a great "school family", we simply couldn't manage to run these things!

The Friends will be taking a bit of a break for Christmas, with the first event of the Spring Term being the Junior Cushion Club on Friday, 25th January. The children will be selecting the film in the New Year and tickets will be available to book online from 7th January.

Have a lovely Christmas and New Year break and see you all in 2019!

Dates for Your Diaries

Fri, 25th January	Junior Cushion Club - 4.45 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.
Fri, 1st February	Break the Rules Day - more details coming soon!
Fri, 1st March	Family Barn Dance & BBQ - more details coming soon!
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.

Christmas is coming, and The Snowmen Postboxes are open!

Post your Christmas Cards in the top of their heads.

Remember to write a class as well as a name, so the card can be delivered safely.

The postboxes will close on Monday 17th, so all the cards can be delivered to the children and staff!



Christmas Dates Cut me out and pin me up!

Monday 10th December		Christmas Postboxes are open!
Tuesday 11th December	10-11am	Phase 3 Carol Concert at Christ Church
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 12-1pm End of school	'Wear a Christmas Jumper' and mufti for donations to Save the Children charity Christmas Lunch Christmas Postboxes close so cards can be delivered
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

Reminders for Next Week

Monday 10th	Last week of clubs
Tuesday 11th	Phase 3 (Y4-6) Carol Concert at Christ Church, leaving school 9am
Wednesday 12th	Phase 2 (Y2 & Y3) Christmas play, 9am Faraday & Redgrave parents to watch
Thursday 14th	Phase 2 (Y2 & Y3) Christmas play, 9am Nightingale & Holmes parents to watch
Friday 15th	‘Wear a Christmas Jumper’ day, donations in aid of Save the Children—everyone can wear mufti with their jumper Christmas Lunch

Changing Meal Patterns for January 2019

Children can change their meal patterns at the start of each half term. If you would like to do this, you need to let the office know by the end of the half term before—so just before the half term break or just before the Christmas, Easter or Summer break.

Chrissy has to order sufficient supplies and the office needs to change the meal patterns on Tucasi so the correct numbers are given to the kitchen and you are charged, or not charged, as appropriate, so it is NOT possible to change meal patterns on the first day of the term/half term.

If you would like to notify us of a change, please either email the office (info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk) or write down on a piece of paper the following information:

- Child's name
- Class
- Term name and which half term—eg Spring 1st half term
- List each day of the week and whether it is a school dinner or a packed lunch



Christmas Trees



"A Large Selection of Quality Trees Undercover"

Special school promotion

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and an extra 5% will be
donated to your
school***

*We will give you a 10% discount off the value of your xmas tree. The discount is only valid for one purchase and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offers or discounts. If you complete the school you are from below, and hand this in at the time of purchase, we will donate 5% of the value of your tree purchase to your school. . Offer excludes gift vouchers and net. priced goods E & O.E.

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