

Newsletter 07 20/10/2017

Dear Parents,

We have finished the half term on a high note with our Harvest celebrations this week. The children in Phase 1 and Phase 2 entertained their parents with marvellous performances on Thursday and Friday and I am sure many of the parents (and grandparents) who came along are still humming the tunes! In Phase 1 it was a treat to see our Year 1 children, who, this time, last year had only just taken their first steps into school life, leading the performance on stage with such poise and confidence. Our new Reception children rose to the challenge just as brilliantly, and who would have believed their confidence in singing away to a sea of faces after just a few weeks in school. The Phase 2 performance on Friday included some beautiful singing and confident speaking and we are all so proud of the children for showing what accomplished and talented children they are. Thank you to all the staff for preparing the children so well, I know how much the parents appreciated the performances. Thank you also to everyone who donated items that will be collected by Age Concern to be made into Christmas hampers for local elderly residents, they really are appreciated.

Phase 3 organised what has now become our traditional Autumn Fair on Thursday afternoon, and as usual delivered a really wonderful community event where everyone could come together and raise money for a very worthwhile local charity, Epsom Foodbank. There were delicious treats to taste, as well as games and competitions and it was wonderful to see it so well supported by the whole school community. We are still adding up the final total raised but will let you know once we have the final figure.

Our year 5 and 6 children competed in the Epsom and Ewell Schools Cross Country Event after school on Wednesday and we are thrilled to let you know that in the boy's race, Oscar Reeves (Attenborough) and Joe McDonald (Shakespeare) finished in 1st and 2nd position respectively. What an amazing achievement! Their success contributed to the boys finishing 2nd in the team event. The girls also had their best ever result, finishing a 4th overall, with Tanna Pitout in Churchill coming 7th out of 80 girls - well done to her. Thank you to every child who competed and gave their all, to Miss Smith and Miss Jones who accompanied them and to all the parents who turned out to support and cheer the children on.



Last Friday Miss Egan, our art subject leader, took a group of budding artists from across the school to participate in 'The Big Draw' in Epsom with other local Primary Schools. The event was a huge success and I know the children had a fantastic time as they were telling everyone about it when they came back. Events like these are a lovely way of celebrating the many talents the children have and connecting with their peers in other schools with the same interests. Thank you to Miss Egan for organising the event for us and to Miss Cobban who also went with the group to join in the fun.



Year 5 had and unexpected treat on Thursday as we were invited to host a drama production of Oliver Twist by M&M Theatrical Production Company for free! The production was absolutely superb and came at a perfect time as Year 5 will be basing their next English Journey around Oliver Twist after half term. It will really enrich their understanding of this classic work and inspire them with their writing. We are so grateful to the M&M Theatrical Production for providing this wonderful opportunity.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable half term break. The children have worked so hard and deserve to relax and recharge their batteries, especially as next half term with the run up to Christmas is extremely busy and we have lots of fun in store for them. If you do get a moment, and fancy it, don't forget the 'Knitivity' project by Christchurch that we advertised in last week's newsletter, and perhaps knit (or crochet) a square or two for their giant knitted Christmas tree, that will be sewn into blankets for the homeless once the festivities are over.

Have a wonderful break and we look forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Monday 30th October at 8.45 am.

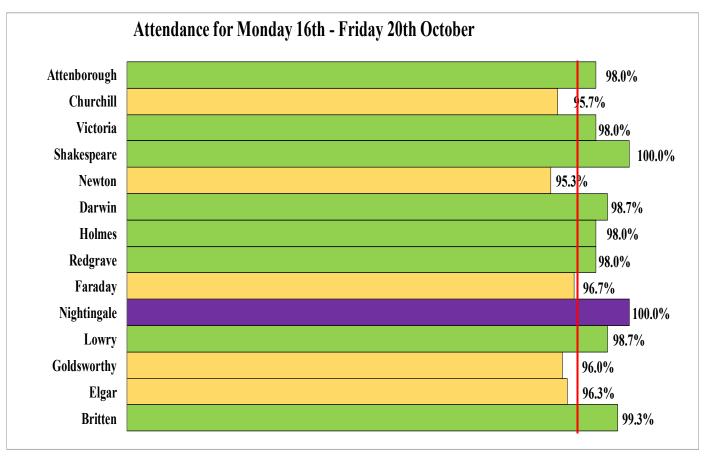
Kind regards

Kate Gee.

Attendance this week



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



The Big Draw

This morning, 10 children from Years 2-6 walked to the Ebbisham Centre to take part in the Big Draw Art Event. During the morning, the children helped make a 3D spiral picture, contributed to a long drawing in Epsom Square and learned how to draw animations using IPads. As you can see from the pictures, the children who attended - Jamie and Rosie-May from Y2, Evie and Rami from Y3, Jessica and Tilly from Y4, Lily and Alana from Y5 and Harrison and James from Y6 - had a great time. Thank you to Miss Egan, our Art Subject Leader, and Miss Cobban for accompanying the children to the event.

























Oliver Twist







On Thursday afternoon, the M&M Theatrical Production Company visited Southfield Park to give an amazing Oliver Twist performance. The actors transformed the regular school hall into ye olde London using props, lights and costumes - leaving the children simply enchanted and thoroughly enjoying themselves. The actors' singing and dancing was wonderful and the entire experience as engaging as it was fun! The Year 5 children will now have the opportunity to explore the famous Dickens story when they return from the half term and even have a go at writing their own versions!

Harvest Fair Fun



















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Halloween Discos



Places are almost gone. You can get any last minute booking forms in up until Tuesday after half term, then the lists will be closed.

Infant Cushion Club - Friday, 17th November

The infant children voted for their Cushion Club film this week and "Boss Baby" stormed ahead! This is the first event that we can welcome Reception children to and it usually gets booked up very quickly, so do please get your booking forms in ASAP after half term! See the booking form below for further details.

Bags to School

You should all have received your bags for you to pop in any unwanted clothing, jewellery, soft toys, etc. For full details of what you can put in the bag, please see http://uk.bag2school.com.

You can also use extra bin liners/carrier bags too if you run out of room and they need to come back to school on the Monday after half term please.

Have a great half term everyone!

Dates for Your Diary

Mon, 30th October Bags 4 Schools - bags to be collected from school.

Fri, 3rd November Hallowe'en Discos - Infants 5.00 – 6.30 p.m., Juniors 6.45—8.15 p.m.

Fri, 10th November Library Opening/Book Day - children can come to school in "book character" mufti for a £1

donation.

Fri, 17th November Cushion Club (Infants) - 4.45 - 6.30 p.m.

W/C 27th November Scholastic Books - details to be confirmed.

Sat, 2nd December Christmas Fair - 12.30 - 3.00 p.m.

Mon, 18th December Pantomime - "Jack and the Beanstalk"- treat for children during the school day.

Reminders for Next Week

23rd-27th October	Half Term Break
Monday 30th	8.45am registration
	Road Safety Week
Tuesday 31st	Year 2 Drama Workshop Great Fire of London
Wednesday 1st	New Parent Tour (Sept 2018 intake), 9.30am
Thursday 2nd	
Friday 3rd	

School Dinners

When the children return on Monday 30th October, they will not be able to change their dinner patterns UNLESS you returned the form to indicate their change by today (Friday 20th October).

Please do not change their pattern on the first day back.

Thank you!

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Clothes

Please spend a few minutes during the week to label your child's clothing—it is impossible to return it when we don't know who it belongs to.

Behaviour on the playground at drop off and pick up

It is really important, for everyone's safety, that children are properly supervised in the playground, so please remind your children that they should not go beyond the cones, as the older children are still working, run up and down the hill or use their scooters in the playground.

We would also like to remind parents that no form of smoking is allowed on school grounds, whether cigarettes or vaping.

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Bright Sparks

★ Well done to our Bright Sparks this week:★

Goldsworthy Zachary Brown Lowry Robert McDonald

Faraday Evie Thompson Nightingale Tommy McIntosh

Redgrave William Chambers Holmes Dareen Badran

Darwin Matthew Moore Newton Luke Arnold-Stedman

Victoria Chloe Backinsell Shakespeare Imogen Nash

Churchill Sadie Smith Attenborough Ellie McCormack

Polly Sawyer After school club: 07921 147335

TEACHING ASSISTANT 'GET INTO TEACHING' EVENT WITH GLF SCHOOLS' TEACHER TRAINING

WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2017 4-4.30 pm

CORDWALLES SCHOOL, Berkshire Road, Camberley, GU15 4DR

Are you currently a Teaching Assistant interested in training as a primary or secondary teacher from September 2018?

GLF Schools' Teacher Training is recruiting trainee teachers, on behalf of a network of local primary and secondary schools across Surrey and beyond.

- · Learn about the different routes into teaching
- Find out how to apply
- · Meet with schools who are recruiting

This event is open to anyone who is considering training to teach including teaching assistants, career changers, teachers trained overseas and those graduating in summer 2018.

No need to register, just come along. The event will start with a short presentation at 4.00 pm



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GET INTO TEACHING WITH GLF SCHOOLS' TEACHER TRAINING

Wednesday 8th November 2017 9.00 - 9.30 AM

DANETREE SCHOOL, Danetree Road, Ewell, EPSOM, KT19 9SE

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TEACHING ASSISTANT 'GET INTO TEACHING' EVENT WITH GLF SCHOOLS' TEACHER TRAINING

WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2017 4-4.30 pm

CUDDINGTON CROFT SCHOOL, 54 West Drive, Sutton, SM2 7NA

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TEACHING ASSISTANT 'GET INTO TEACHING' EVENT

WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2017 4-4.30 pm

LIME TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL, Battlebridge Lane, Merstham, RH1 3LH

Are you a Teaching Assistant who is interested in training to be a primary teacher from September 2018?

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Infant Cushion Club

The Friends of Southfield Park would like to invite you to join them at their Infant Cushion Club!

Friday, 17th November 2017
Southfield Park School Hall
4.45 pm - 6.30 pm
£3.50 per child
(PJs or Onesies Optional)

Note to Parents:

The movie we are showing, as chosen by the children, will be "Boss Baby" which is U-rated. We are limited to 80 children, so booking will be on a first come, first served basis. Please return your form ASAP.

Cost will include a drink and a cinema style pick 'n' mix bag.

No tickets will be issued for the event, instead the names will be put on a list and you will be required to sign them in and out. No child will be allowed to leave without an adult.

If your child would like to attend, please return the slip below with the exact money in an envelope marked "Infant Cushion Club" and put in the black post box in reception.

If your child has any medical conditions or dietary requirements that we should be aware of please include on the slip below and ensure that you send any medication (i.e. inhalers) in a named bag with your child on the evening.

Childs Name: Class:		
Contact Phone No:		
Please state any medical conditions or dietary requirements (these will remain confidential):		
We need chaperones in order to run this event, if you hold a current DBS check with Southfield Park School and are able to help, please write your details below. Many thanks.		
Name: Email:		

Sorry we are unable to accommodate pre-school children to stay with siblings.



GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM - PLAYERS WANTED!

At local football club FC Athena, we are looking for girls to join our new, girls only, football teams.

We are looking for girls from years 3, 4 and 5 to come along to our weekly training sessions.

The training takes place from 6.00pm - 7.00pm every Wednesday at Richard Challoner School, Manor Drive, New Malden, KT3 5PE.

If you would like to attend please contact <u>Julie.leach@fcathena.co.uk</u> or call on 07789 260126.

The cost of the training will be £7.50 a session on a pay as you play basis.

The girls need to wear comfortable clothes and trainers and bring a bottle of water with them.

We look forward to seeing you!



Year 1 & 2 Hallowe'en Disco

The Friends of Southfield Park would like to invite you to join them at their Hallowe'en Disco!

Friday 3rd November 2017 Southfield Park School Hall 5.00 pm - 6.30 pm £3.50 per child (Fancy Dress Optional)

Note to Parents:

The Hall will be quite dark and the music is loud - please consider this when booking a ticket for your child.

Cost will include a drink and a Hallowe'en goodie bag. (We also suggest children bring their drink bottles, as the queues for the water fountain get quite long.)

No tickets will be issued for the event, instead the names will be put on a list and you will be required to sign them in and out. No child will be allowed to leave without an adult.

If your child would like to attend, please return the slip below with the exact money in an envelope marked "Year 1 & 2 Hallowe'en Disco" and put in the black post box in reception.

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Junior Hallowe'en Disco

The Friends of Southfield Park would like to invite you to join them at their Hallowe'en Disco!

Friday 3rd November 2017 Southfield Park School Hall 6.45 pm - 8.15 pm £3.50 per child (Fancy Dress Optional)

Note to Parents:

Cost will include a drink and a Hallowe'en goodie bag. (We also suggest children bring their drink bottles, as the queues for the water fountain get quite long.)

No tickets will be issued for the event, instead the names will be put on a list and you will be required to sign them in and out. No child will be allowed to leave without an adult.

If your child would like to attend, please return the slip below with the exact money in an envelope marked "Junior Hallowe'en Disco" and put in the black post box in reception.

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Please state any medical conditions or dietary requirements (these will remain confidential):			
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Name: Email:			

Sorry we are unable to accommodate Years 1&2 or pre-school children to stay with siblings.