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Dear Parents,

We are finishing the year in glorious sunshine and are all hopeful that this will continue for the summer break. At this time of year, it is always a privilege to look back and reflect on the successes we have enjoyed as a school community. Our marvellous Year 6 children are a real tribute to the school and are ready for the exciting opportunities they have ahead. They have been amazing throughout the year and their party on Friday evening was a real celebration of their time here - they didn't stop dancing! Thank you Year 6, we will miss you all. It was lovely to see so many parents at our Leaver's Assembly this morning and to those who are saying goodbye to the school, thank you for all your support and we look forward to hearing about the children's ongoing successes and achievements.

The past few weeks have been a whirlwind of events, and each and every one of them has seen the children 'Shine', making us all extremely proud. Audiences were wowed by our Pater Pan production, while our Phase 2 Summer Celebrations last week brought many a tear to the eye of the watching parents. It reminds us all why teaching is such a worthwhile and rewarding career.

Looking after or wellbeing is important for us all and last week our very own wellbeing guru Mrs Walker worked tirelessly to ensure the children had a great week and have the skills to know 'what makes them tick' and look after their own feelings and wellbeing. Mrs Walker is an 'unsung hero' in our school but makes such a difference to us all and I am sure you will join me and the staff in saying a huge thank you to her for all her efforts.

As a school, we really value the contribution of everyone in our school community as we could not do everything we do without help and support. There are too many people to mention individually, but we would like to thank the Reading Rangers who give up their time weekly to come into school as volunteers and all those parents who have helped on school trips and events. Your help is invaluable. Particular thanks are due to the Friends of Southfield Park for everything they do to enrich the experiences of all the children in the school and for their tremendous fundraising efforts, their efforts make such a difference.

Today, we say fond farewells not only to our Year 6 children but also to a number of staff who are moving on from Southfield Park for new adventures. I am sure you will join us all in saying thank you and 'Au revoir' to Miss Egan, Miss Barrett, Miss Smith, Miss Yates and Mrs Golder and wish them well. They have been amazing members of our team and will be sorely missed by us all.

The staff have asked me to express their thanks for all the end of term gifts they have received. The generosity shown and the heartfelt messages are very much appreciated, but certainly never expected.

All that remains is for me to wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. School begins again on Wednesday 4th September at 8.40 am and we look forward to welcoming those of you returning back to Southfield Park for another exciting year.

Kind regards,

Kate Gee

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the Week**

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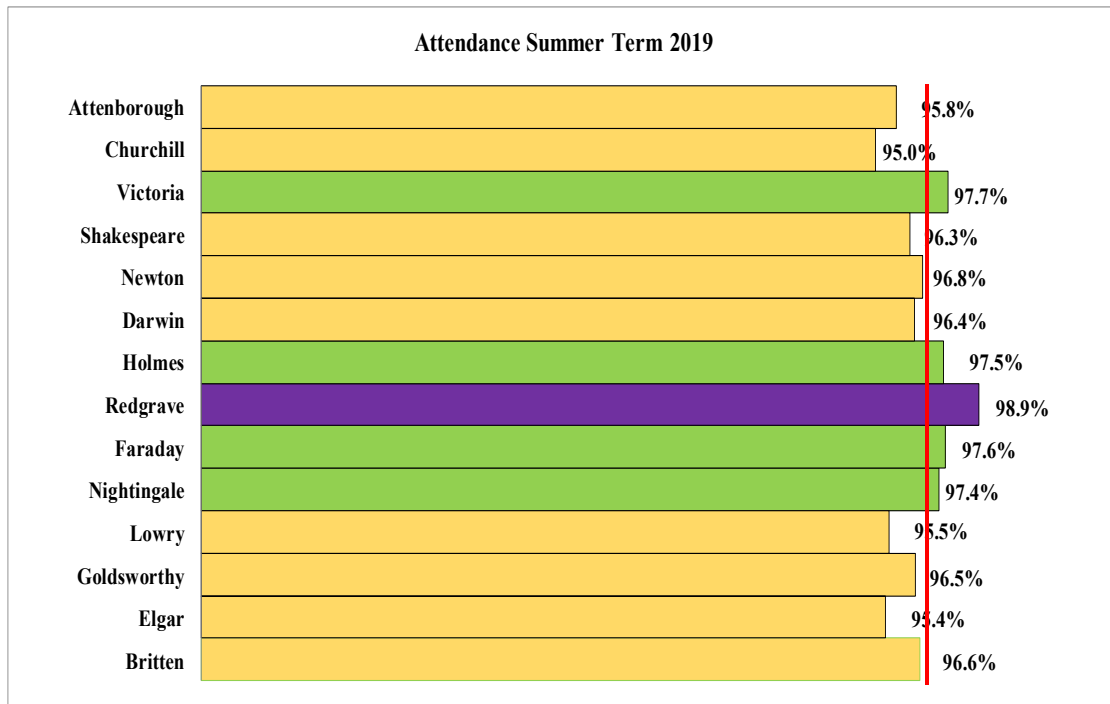
Happy memories
and excitement for
the future—keep
on SHINING Y6!



Attendance this week



Sparky says “well done!” to **Redgrave Class**, who had the best attendance this week with **98.9%**, and to **Faraday, Nightingale, Holmes and Victoria, Classes**, who also had high attendance this week!



School Dinners from September

Thank you for letting us know if you are changing meal patterns in the new term.

We will double check the patterns at the start of term to ensure that everything is correct.

If your child is going to be in Juniors and will be having lunches, please put some money onto their account via www.scopay.com, or bring cash or a cheque payable to Surrey County Council to the school office. The cost of a meal for Juniors is increasing slightly, to £2.35, which is still incredible value. Meals are still free for children in Reception and Years 1-2, and for children in Years 3-6 who are eligible for free school meals. If you think you may qualify now, or if your circumstances change, please contact the school office as we can easily check for you.

There will be small change to how we manage the school dinners system from September. Previously, we have entered only a week's worth of dinners at a time, so any debt showing was smaller. We will now be entering a full half term of dinners ready for the start of that half term. This means that a larger debt will show, but don't worry if you prefer to pay for dinners week by week, or by putting a larger amount of money on; this is still ok to do.

If children are absent from school, or go home before 10.30am for any reason, then this is marked in the dinners and the money owing for that day cancelled. Other absences, such as school trips, sports day or the school is closed to be used as a polling station, will be input as they occur, and again, the debt cancelled.

If you have any questions, please call the school office, or email Mrs Pereira or Mrs Hutton:

info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk or sarah.hutton@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk



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Thank You!

As this is our last newsletter of the year it is an opportunity for us to say thank you to all those that have helped to make the year a success.

A big heartfelt thank you to our PTA Team and their families, especially Gail Dean (Treasurer), Marie O'Farrell (Vice Chair), Katharina Lins (Secretary), Catherine Neary, Sarah Foulger, Andrea Pitchford, Laura Sell, Helene Lebas, Camilla Ray, Amiee Howard-Tuck, Rachel Nicolaou, Taryn Williams, Jacqueline Mayston, Nicola Wells, Louize Khan, and Kath Sparrowhawk. Also a special thank you to the friends of Friends who have stepped in to help at many events, big thanks to the friends of Friends library group who have done a great job of running the library this year and thanks also to the group of mums that helped with the story sacks. Also a big thanks to Nick Williams for all his hard work on our pond and to the team of parents that helped with pond dipping.

Thank you to Mrs Gee and Mrs Crawford and their team who have supported us, agreeing to our crazy plans and helping with events. Thank you to Mrs Hutton and Mrs Pereira who support us behind the scenes and an extra thank you to Mr Beckworth, our caretaker, for helping with so many things this year, especially running in all the cables in the hall for the new sound system. Thank you to all the teachers and Governors who have come along and supported or helped at our events.

Most of all thank you to all of you. Without your on going support and donations we wouldn't have so much success. We appreciate it and are proud to be part of such a great school. It really is a whole community effort. It has been another record breaking year where we have raised a huge amount of money to fund essential resources and extra fun activities that will benefit all the children.

We wish you all a wonderful summer!

Emma Kirk and Angela Howarth

(Chairs)

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The Giving Machine

Booking a last minute holiday online? Treating your garden to a makeover? Sign up to The Giving Machine and then the likes of Thomson, Expedia, B&Q, John Lewis and many more will give a small percentage back to the school at no extra cost to you! It's a great way to raise really valuable funds for very little effort!

Go to <http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/> to sign up, but remember to select "Southfield Park Primary School" as your cause, otherwise you'll be donating to the cause of the week! You can also install a small Shop&Give add-in for PCs, Macs, iOS and Android that will remind you when you're shopping online on a site that supports us!



We now have about 60 people signed up the school lottery, with one luck winner getting around £20 each week. The more tickets we sell, the bigger that local prize is, so feel free to share the link with family and friends! And of course, every ticket holder has a chance of the national £25,000 prize!

If you have yet to purchase a ticket and would like to get in on the action, please sign up on this link:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/play>

(search for "Southfield Park").

Wellbeing Week at Southfield Park

Wellbeing week was a great success. In the words of the children:

'It was so exciting working on the Appreciation Station. I loved all the children telling me who they were sending cards to and why. It was so sweet.' Fatima, Shakespeare Class

'I learnt some really useful moves in Karate - I loved Wellbeing Week. Connor, Redgrave Class

'Helping in the Pamper Parlour was so much fun, I loved doing other people's hair.' Holly, Attenborough

'I loved learning new things. We learnt high lifts and new routines in Cheerleading.' Kira, Shakespeare Class

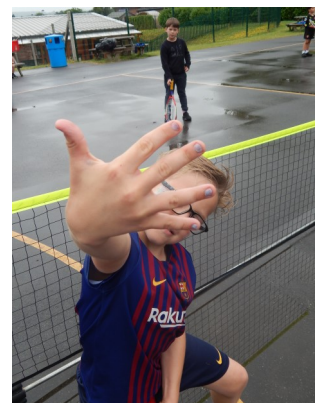
'It has been so much fun. I loved getting my tattoo of the World Cup in the Pamper Parlour.' Jacob, Goldsworthy Class

'I thought it would be nice to give people a card. My friends are with me if I need them.' Isla, Elgar Class

The children enjoyed learning new skills and learning about wellbeing in class



Cooking
Pamper Parlours
Karate
Art & Crafts
Cheerleading
Pond dipping



Thank you

A big thank you from Southfield Park to Jayne McGhee (cooking) and Sensei Colin and Moichido Martial Arts, who gave their time for free, and to Calum Macarty Tennis www.callummacartytennis.com

and all the parent helpers and ex-students who helped on 'Mix it Up - Friday'. Also thank you for your donations, we raised £292.20 for the 52 Lives Charity, who will be visiting us next year to work with the children.

Finally, I would like to say a big thank you, to the Year 6 Wellbeing Ambassadors, Georgia Reis, Jack Jewiss, George Anderson-Smith and Ruby Middlebrook who have been fantastic role models for the younger children this year. Their positive approach and support really has made a difference.

Best Wishes and have a wonderful summer

Mrs Walker

Reminders for September

Monday 2nd	Check pencil cases and contents for Junior children Check PE kit Pay for school lunches for Junior children
Tuesday 3rd	
Wednesday 4th	Children return to school, 8.40am Please bring PE kit in
Thursday 5th	
Friday 6th	

Space Chase, Summer Reading Challenge 2019 begins on Saturday 14th July!

During the summer holidays the school doors are locked. So, where are the children going to find lots of lovely books to read for FREE? At their local library! And to encourage their reading, the Reading Agency has once again organised **The Summer Reading Challenge**. The theme this year is, **Space Chase**, inspired by the 50th Anniversary of the moon landing. So get set for a thrilling mission with the 'The Rockets' family to track down books nabbed by mischievous aliens!



Being designed for all reading abilities, children can choose whatever books, audiobooks, comics, ebooks or eAudiobooks they like to complete the challenge. Every participant receives stickers and other incentives along the way and those who read six books are presented with a personalised certificate.

It is great fun, so why not go to your local library and help your child to enjoy his/her reading throughout the summer holidays. You could be pleasantly surprised at the difference it makes!

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Summer Reading Challenge 2019



Bright Sparks

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Britten	Eben Tebay	Elgar	Aidan Kurrimbux
Goldsworthy	Jesse Lewis	Lowry	Mahid Khan
Faraday	Saanvi Makhecha	Nightingale	Archie Howarth
Redgrave	Lily Knight	Holmes	Oscar Lawson
Darwin	Dareen Badran and Lizzie Bourne and	Newton	Isobel Lawson
Victoria	Genevieve Biggs	Shakespeare	Charlie Newman
Churchill	The whole class!	Attenborough	The whole class!

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