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Dear Parents,

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week and the children have been thinking about friendship and their role in making positive changes. There have been lessons in classrooms as well as opportunities throughout the week to reflect on positive forces for change, such as the 'pop up' friendship bracelet workshop on Monday lunchtime. As a holder of the gold Anti-bullying Chartermark, our anti-bullying focus is not limited to just Anti-Bullying Week and next week there is a drama production for all the children in Years 1 to 6, 'Best Friends Forever' which explores friendship issues in an age appropriate way.

Our Year 5 and 6 girls took part in the Epsom and Ewell Schools football tournament on Thursday, working brilliantly as a team. They played superbly coming third in their league, which was a great achievement. Mrs Pereira, who accompanied the group was so impressed with each and every one of them and proud to lead the group, which showed great sportsmanship and determination.

We are very lucky to have many connections amongst the school community who are able to provide opportunities for the children that enrich our curriculum offer. This week Newton Class took part in a STEM workshop run by volunteers by Pfizer on the topic of 'Medicine and Me'. Thank you to Katharina Lins, mother of Emily and Laura in Year 4, for organising and running the event that provided so much expert learning for the children. The remaining classes in Years 3 and 4 will have the same workshop during the rest of November.

A couple of weeks ago, I was approached by a group from Year 6 about their plans to hold a cake sale to raise money for animal conservation as they had a shared interest in the threats posed to wildlife. Whilst we do not usually hold such events as there are a number of competing interests and we could be overwhelmed by cake sales and sponsored events, I was so impressed by how well they had thought their plans through, their level of organisation and the passion for the cause they showed. We will therefore be holding a cake sale after school on Wednesday next week to support their cause. They will be making some cakes at home and we will also be making 'Rocky Roads' at school to sell but any donations of cakes from other members of the school community would be gratefully received on Wednesday morning. The children have organised an assembly for Monday to inform the rest of the school about why this cause is so important and all proceeds will go directly to the World Wildlife Fund. They have written a piece for the newsletter, which appears later on.

Children in Need is always an important event in the school diary and one that the children can really engage with, recognising that not every child is as fortunate as they are and understanding the different challenges others face. Our Southfield Park Ramble this morning to support Children in Need was a big success despite the weather letting us down a little. Undaunted, the children showed what Southfield Park is all about, enjoying splashing through puddles and the wonderful natural environment of Horton Park that we have on our doorstep. A big thank you to all the parents who accompanied us on the walk - we couldn't do it without your help. Thank you, also, for your donations in return for mufti clothes; we raised an amazing £420.30, which will really help lots of children in lots of different ways.

Behind the scenes, the Friends of Southfield Park are busy planning and running events. They have the Quiz Night tonight and plans for the Christmas Fair are well advanced. Don't forget, next Friday it is a mufti day in return for the donation of a 'Jolly Jar' for the stall at the Christmas Fair.

Have a great weekend,

Kind regards

Kate Gee.

Tweet of the Week

Follow us on
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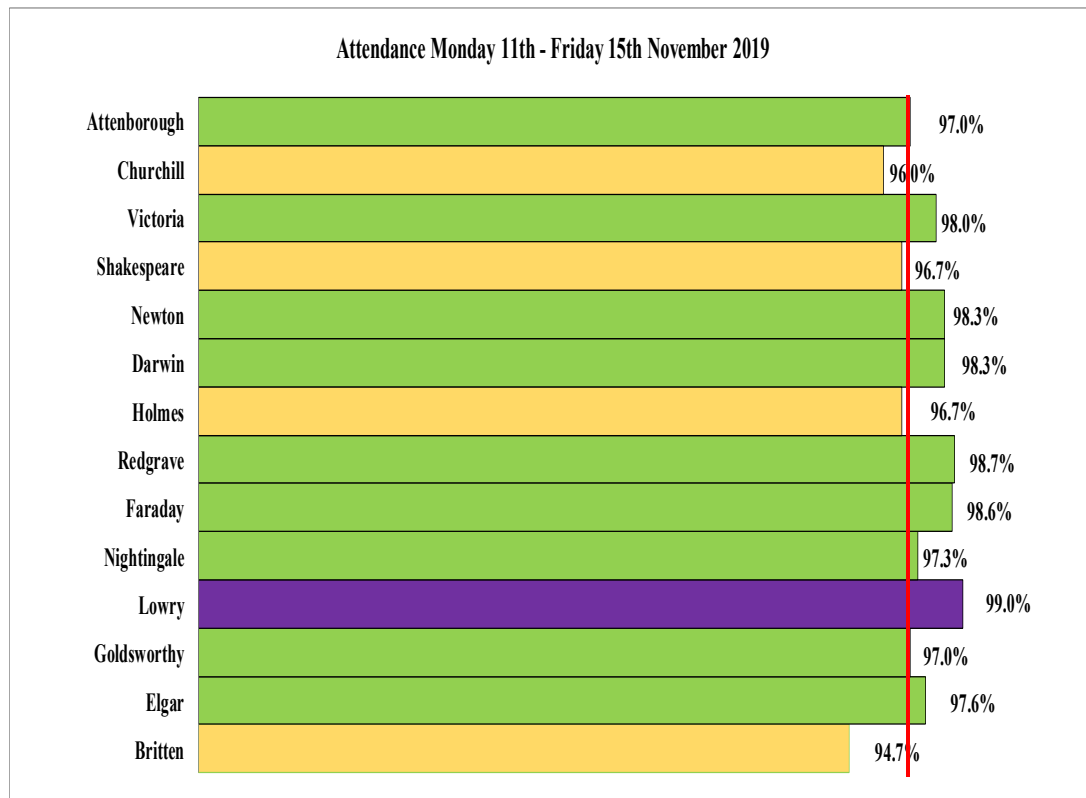
Puddles and fresh air—
lovely!



Attendance this week



Sparky says "well done!" to **Lowry Class**, who had the best attendance this week with **99%**, and to **Elgar, Goldsworthy, Lowry, Faraday, Nightingale, Redgrave, Darwin, Newton, Victoria, and Attenborough Classes**, who also had high attendance this week!



Updated Autumn Term Dates 2019

Monday 18 th November		Road Safety Day
Thursday 21 st November	9am	Year 5 Assembly
Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th November		Faith Week
Wednesday 27 th November	4:30-8:00	Parent Consultation Meetings
Thursday 28 th November	4:00-6:00	Parent Consultation Meetings
Wednesday 4 th December	9am	Phase 1 Nativity Britten and Lowry Parents to watch
Thursday 5 th December	9am	Phase 1 Nativity Elgar and Goldsworthy Parents to watch
Friday 6 th December	All Day	Christmas DT Day
Monday 9 th December	10am	Phase 3 Carol Concert at the church
Wednesday 11 th December	9am	Phase 2 Christmas Play Nightingale and Holmes parents
Thursday 12 th December	All Day	School closed for Polling Station
Friday 13 th December	9am	Phase 2 Christmas Play Faraday and Redgrave parents
Friday 13 th December		Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children charity
Wednesday 18 th December	12pm	Christmas lunch
Thursday 19 th December	All Day	Party Day children to wear mufti
Friday 20 th December	1:30pm	Break up for Christmas Holidays



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School Photos
for 2019
are ready



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Please see the viewing instructions in your child's bookbag today.

Orders can be made online.

Please note that the deadline for these photos is the **28th November** with early bird discounts if you order by the **15th November**

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Enter your unique passcode
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We hope you enjoy these lovely happy photographs



Individual and Sibling photographs

Slips with your child's unique code should have come home with the children, so please look to order online.

The Early Bird discount is available up until today, and the deadline for ordering photos without P&P costs is Thursday 28th November. If you order before this date then your photos will come into school to go home with your child. Orders received after this will incur P&P costs as they will be posted straight to your home.

If you have any problems with ordering, please contact Fresh School Photography direct.

Thank you!

Suitable clothes for outdoor activities

It's getting colder and wetter, so please can parents ensure that children have suitable clothes for outdoor PE and After School Clubs like Football.

The children go out whenever possible, but they will be miserable and not enjoy themselves if they are cold.

'Skins' are good for the footballers, if you have them, but otherwise some long sleeved tops and a fleece are good so they have some layers.



CALLING ALL CHRISTMAS JUMPER WEARERS.....



Love them or hate them, everyone needs a Christmas jumper these days (a new one every year in the case of growing children!). So, in time for the festive season and Christmas Jumper day, the Friends of Southfield Park are holding our very first Christmas Jumper Sale on Friday 29th November in the infants' playground at pick up. Jumpers will be on sale for various prices from £1 but, in order for it to be a success, we need your help! Please donate any Christmas tops/jumpers you no longer need - donations can be left in the Christmas Jumper box in the entrance hall or given to any member of the Friends. Children's and adults' jumpers welcome. Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone in some wonderful festive wear!

Parents Evening Appointments

This term's Parent Evenings are on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 27th November, and appointments are going fast.

You can book via www.scopay.com, and letters should have come home with children who aren't yet linked to an account, providing information on how to create an account and link them to it.

If you need help with booking an appointment, please email the office: info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk or sarah.hutton@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk or pop in or call us.

DT DAY is coming....

Would you like to be involved in this really fun morning?

Can you help with:

- * Providing good quality toilet roll inners (no kitchen rolls, please)
- * Donate some cupcake cases (with spots, stripes, or stars etc, rather than images, in bright colours)
- * Help prepare some materials before the day
- * Come in and help on the day (come round to the office just after drop off, coffee and tea available at break time, and we finish at 12pm for lunch)

Please email Mrs Pereira on:

info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk



Friends of Southfield Park Primary School

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

With only 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 22nd November – JOLLY JARS

In return for mufti clothes, please send into school a jar filled 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 day.

From Monday 25th November – HAMPER DONATIONS

By popular demand, this Christmas sees the return of our class Christmas hampers, which will be raffled at the end of the fair. For these to be a success, we kindly ask if you could donate a Christmas related item to your class e.g. napkins, candle, chocolate, mince pies, decoration, stocking, biscuits, crackers etc. It would be amazing to have hampers bursting with goodies!

Friday 29th November – BOTTLE MUFTI

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 6th December – SANTA'S GROTTTO

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 complete a paper order form, from the office and post your details into the 'Friends' black box. 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.

Friday 6th December – CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE TICKETS

Your children will receive some raffle tickets very shortly to sell to family and friends to try and win one of the 14 class hampers. 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 will be in touch soon regarding the stalls your class are running. Please get involved and help run the stall for half an hour during the fair. Mums, dads 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, online payment site (address as above) 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 7th 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 and with your festive jumpers and accessories!

A huge thank you in advance from [Friends of Southfield Park](#)

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Reminders for Next Week

Monday 18th	Road Safety Day
Tuesday 19th	
Wednesday 20th	Cake sale after school in aid of World Wildlife Fund
Thursday 21st	Y5 assembly to parents, 9am
Friday 22nd	Bring in Jolly Jars and wear mufti

Missing Coat in Britten Class

A purple school coat has been missing for a few weeks from the Reception classes. If your children have this sort of coat, please check in the pockets to look at the label as the missing coat does have the child's name on it. If you have a coat at home that isn't yours please bring it back to school, either into the office or to your teacher.

Thank you



A World War 2 Christmas – Saturday December 14

1pm to 2.30pm



For many families, the most difficult part of a wartime Christmas was spending the festive season apart from loved ones. Many men were fighting abroad in the armed forces or were being held as prisoners of war. Women might also be away in the services or carrying out war work. Many children spent Christmas away from home as evacuees. By the end of the war, thousands of families had suffered the death of a family member either in action or from enemy bombing raids. Christmas luxuries were especially hard to come by at a time when even basic foods were scarce and people were forced to find substitutes for key festive ingredients. Gifts were often homemade and practical, and children's toys would be made from recycled materials. Cards were smaller and printed on flimsy paper but people still did their best to have a good time.

£5 per child . Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey,

KT17 1UF Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk



Help support World Wildlife Fund

Next week on Wednesday, a group of Year 6 children are holding a cake sale (at break time) to raise money for WWF.

We will be making some Rocky Road in school to sell, but we would like to make sure that there is enough so if you would like to help us help wildlife, any donations of cakes or cookies would be greatly appreciated.

Please bring them in on Wednesday 20th December (next week) to a trolley outside the office. Remember to name your box so we can get it back to you

We can't wait to see what you bring in!

Thank you

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GREEN FRIDAY

22nd Nov , 11am , Caballo Lounge

Black Friday is so last-year!
Green Friday is happening at
the **Caballo Lounge** (upstairs
from the café-bar), 11 High
Street, Epsom, KT19 8DA,
22nd November, 11am-2pm.



See how to turn bits 'n' pieces into
decorations, **wrappings** and
presents using **natural** and
re-usable materials. Your own
ideas are welcome, too!

For further info or to help, contact Jen and
Janice at media@mvee.greenparty.org.uk