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Dear Parents,

As I write the final newsletter of the year, it is with such a sense of pride as we say goodbye to our Year 6 children as they take their next steps on their journey. Since when you try returning to school, they have impressed us all, with not only their maturity but the pleasure they have taken in being together as a group. We have not been able to have our usual events and celebrations for our leavers this year, but they have adapted and made the most of every opportunity to have fun without a single complaint. They are a fantastic group of young people who are ready for their move to their secondary schools. We wish them all the very best and look forward to hearing about their adventures.



Whilst the last few months have been so tricky for everyone one of the real positives has been how we have come together as a school community, reinforcing what makes Southfield Park such a special place to be. The children have been amazing, as they always are, and a credit to you as parents and the school too. They have worked so hard and coped with all the challenges of home learning. Thank you to all the parents for your positive messages and appreciation - it makes all the effort so worthwhile. I am so lucky to lead such a hard-working and committed team and have such a supportive parent body. As we move towards the next school year, we can do so with strength and positivity.

As I explained in my previous newsletter, we are working our way through the guidance for September and planning for September. We will finalise the details for re-opening during August, after the 12th August when updated guidance will be announced. There will be emails, so do check for them. However, we have planned the start and finish times so parents can prepare and plan in advance for childcare if necessary. If you have siblings in school, you should follow the timings for the child who is due to arrive and be picked up earliest (we will confirm the details for this later). It is important that you stick closely to the timings as they have been planned to minimise congestion on site. We also ask parents to leave promptly after drop off and pick up, again to avoid congestion. The timings are as follows.

Year Group	Start time	Finish time
Reception	8:30	2:55
Year 1	8:40	3:05
Year 2	8:50	3:15
Year 3	8:50	3:25
Year 4	8:45	3:20
Year 5	8.35	3:10
Year 6	8:40	3:15



I must also say a huge thank you to you all for the generous gifts and good wishes we have received over the past week as well as the videos the children have made to say thank you. Your generosity and thoughtfulness has been amazing, and whilst not necessary, are greatly appreciated. An enormous thank you from us all.

All that remains is for me to wish you all a fantastic summer break and look forward to seeing you all back in September. If you are leaving the Southfield Park for pastures new, we wish you well and hope you leave us with happy memories.

Kind regards

Kate Gee.





The Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge is a fun event which encourages children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer. The Challenge will run from 5 June to mid-September. This year, the Summer Reading Challenge's Silly Squad will celebrate funny books, happiness and laughter. Children taking part in the Challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck into all sorts of funny books!

With the disruption caused by Covid-19 and the impact of social distancing on schools and public libraries, the 2020 Challenge will launch in a new digital format designed to keep children engaged and interested in reading.

The Summer Reading Challenge website https:// summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/is free to access and features games, quizzes and downloadable activities.

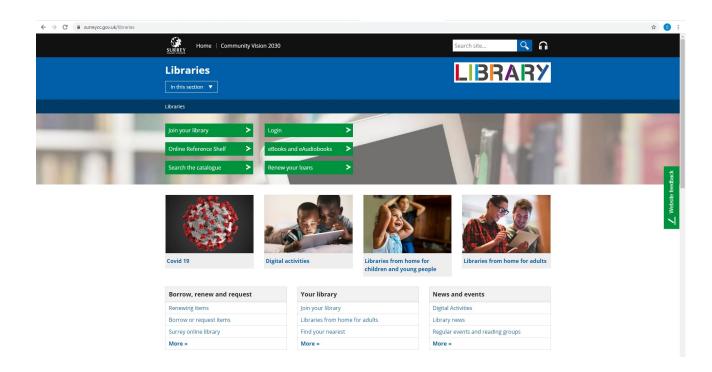
Just visit your local library website to find out how you can access eBooks, audiobooks, comics and magazines for free that you can use to complete the Challenge at home.

It is a great way to keep up your child's reading skills, interest and confidence. We hope that lots of our children from Southfield Park will take part.



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Have fun reading!



Here is our school paper chain so far. Don't forget to keep working on yours! How long will our school chain be in September?





Dear Parents & Carers

Summer Holiday Offer 2020

As we prepare for the end of this academic year we wanted to make sure you knew about the range of activities and opportunities for children and families over the Summer break.

This year, more than ever, it is important that children have access to fresh air, fun and friends.

Whilst many families will be looking for fun days out together others will be seeking Holiday Play Schemes and Clubs to keep the children happy and occupied while parents work.

Some activities and programmes we have on offer include:

- SOLD Surrey Outdoor Learning & Development is offering a range of summer holiday outdoor learning opportunities for young people, families and adults, including TAZ – "The Adventure Zone"
- Fun Fit and Fed camps for children aged 7 11 years
- Free school meals Voucher scheme and continuing to deliver hot meals to schools and settings
- Adult learning will be delivering 100 sessions of learning taster sessions for a small fee
- The Summer Reading programme
- Activity Bingo
- Mindful Movement Summer Challenge
- Short breaks
- The Reading Agency: Summer Reading Challenge: 'Silly Squad'
- Play Ranger Sessions

Lots of these activities are free or subsidised for children who are eligible for free school meals.

To see the full programme of activities all in one place please visit the Summer Holiday Offer 2020 webpage at https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/holidayoffer2020

To find Holiday Play Schemes and other childcare options please follow this link to <u>SCC</u> <u>Childcare Finder</u> to find the right provision close to home.

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