

Newsletter 14 24/03/2023

Dear Families,

I hope that you saw the email that let you know about our successful recruitment for our replacement for Mrs Crawford. Mrs Smith has been promoted to the role of Deputy Headteacher and will take over the role in September. Mrs Smith has many fantastic ideas about how we can build on our recent Ofsted report and brings a wealth of knowledge about Southfield Park and our community to the role.

Thank you to all of our reception families who attended your children's consultations last week. It was so lovely to talk about how far your children have come since the start of the school year and then your children were able to show you themselves at open classrooms this week. We are very proud of the children and sure that you are too.

Our tag rugby team, made up of children from years 5 and 6, represented the school fantastically at their recent competition. They played with great commitment and fairness – well done!

Year 1 and year 5 have been utilising our local area to supplement their geography learning over the last few weeks. It was lovely to hear children using vocabulary they had learnt in the classroom to discuss what they were observing. The children really though like geographers and behaved brilliantly well too.

Mrs Walker and the wellbeing ambassadors have been running pop up stations every week to help children be reminded of CLANG. Thanks to Mrs Glasspool who taught a group of children a dance which helped them to be active and Miss Sullivan who taught the children French skipping. This week Miss Lipop has helped the children to 'Notice' by doing some mindfulness and reflection activities with different groups.



A huge thanks and well done to the year 2 children who entertained us with their assembly last week, it summed up the huge amount of learning they have covered so far this year. It was lovely to hear the children singing in French too.

Please read on to find out how much money the school raised for Comic Relief on crazy hair day, there were some very crazy looks around school.

Our netball teams are going from strength to strength, are performing brilliantly, and are working so well as a team. Read the report below.

Year 2 have had a lovely day at Bird World today. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped to facilitate this trip for the children.

Thank you to the Friends' who have kindly given up their time to organise and oversee the children's discos this evening. I am looking forward to seeing the outfits the children wear and what music gets the most children up and dancing! We are really grateful to the Friends' for their continued support.

We have 2 pieces of news celebrating how wonderful our children are:

Zachary B in year 6 went to Birmingham earlier in the month and represented Southfield Park Primary School in the 2023 British Schools Modern Biathlon Championships. After qualifying through to the national final last year he competed in below zero temperatures against 97 finalists from across the country in the year 6 boys group and he came 7th nationally! He did a 800m run in 2mins 45secs and a 50m swim in 34secs. Thank you Zachary for representing the school and making us incredibly proud!

You will remember a few weeks ago the children were asked to participate in the 'Show Racism the Red Card' competition. Miss Gilby and I judged the entries, which were all so incredible – the children gave us a very hard job to do! We entered 3 pieces and amazingly, 1 of our entries has been awarded a prize! We are so proud of Elyssa in year 6 who has been awarded a prize in her category and has been invited to attend the awards ceremony at Liverpool's Football Ground, Anfield. Congratulations.

Summer dates are on the website but will also come out via email next week. Please look out for the dates for your diary.

Have a lovely weekend.

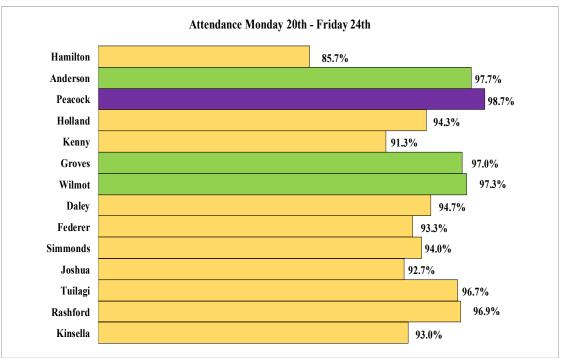
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Attendance



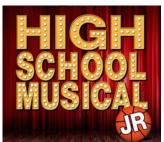
Sparky says "well done!" to Peacock Class, who had the best attendance this week with 98.7%, and to Wilmot, Groves and Anderson Classes, who also had high attendance this week!



Clubs, including High School Musical

The Clubs forms went out via email this week, and parents can pay for Art & Craft and Hi 5 clubs, which are run by school staff, via Tucasi (www.scopay.com). These clubs should only be visible to the year groups, or groups of children, for whom they are available. For all other clubs, please contact the provider direct. Clubs start the first week back from the Easter break.

We are very excited about the upcoming Phase 3 production of 'High School Musical Jr' in July! All of the children in Phase 3 are invited to be part of the show and we will be running a rehearsal club every Tuesday after school (until 4:30) beginning **Tuesday 18th April**. It is vital that the children attending the club are able to make all performances and attend of all the rehearsal sessions. We ask that vou check your diaries before committing as children shouldn't start the club if they cannot attend all the sessions and performances.



We are anticipating a large number of children to attend the club this year so to give us an idea of numbers, please return the slip below by Monday 27th March.

If you need a copy of the letter please contact the school office. This club is NOT listed on the Clubs form, so the separate HSM letter must be used to sign up for the club.

Well Done To

We are proud of all our children here, and love to celebrate their achievements. Today we want to say 'well done' to Maia in Hamilton class, who recently passed her initial piano exam with 100 out of a possible 100 marks. This is an amazing result, and the examiner's comments reflect the effort Maia put into practising. Congratulations, Maia, keep it up and you will go far!





Meanwhile, on the sporting front, congratulations go to Freddy, Zack and Jack, who play for the Sutton and Epsom Rugby Club U8s team. At a recent tournament they all scored tries and played well for their team, helping to win all 8 of their matches.

A brilliant effort boys—perhaps we will see you playing for England one day!

Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby

On 14th March 2023, we went to the Year 5 and 6 tag rugby tournament which was run by Glyn Secondary school. It was such a fun experience! At times, we felt like giving up but we rose to the challenge and achieved some amazing results. Although there was a small mix up with some of the overall Year 6 results, they were pleased to have won 4 of their games and lost one. Year 5 came 5th overall, after winning 4 of

their games! The referees were all Year 10 students from Glyn and were friendly, supportive and best of all fair. Some of the students were even ex Southfield Park students so they were really supportive of us. We had so much fun and were so proud of our achievements.

By Kayla, Y5



Keeping Children Safe Before and After School

Every now and then we need to remind parents that when children are in the playground at drop off and pick up times they are under the supervision of their parent or nominated carer/childminder etc.

Whether they are pre-school age or have come out of Reception or the Year 1 or 2 classrooms, parents should not let children play on the trim trail equipment in any of the playgrounds, or go on the grassy hill leading to the pond, which is near to the Year 5 classrooms. Not only is it potentially dangerous for the children, but it is also very distracting for the children in the classrooms which face out onto the Infant playground who are still finishing their school day.

Your help with this is appreciated.

High 5 Netball Rally WIN!

We took a team of High 5 players to the Epsom and Ewell Schools Netball Rally after school on Tuesday, to compete on sunny courts at Rosebery School against 9 other local schools.

What an exciting afternoon of top quality netball we enjoyed! Winning all three of our 'pool' matches (8:0, 6:1 and 3:0) took us to the semi-final where a nail-biting battle against Stamford Green went to extra time after a 3:3 tie ... only for the teams to finish equal again! A win for Southfield Park on the Golden Goal took the score to 5:4 and carried us through to the final against St. Joseph's, last year's champions.

Both teams gave everything and more in this fast-paced match and the light was quickly fading away when we ended normal time with another 3:3 draw! Due to the reduced visibility, we skipped official extra time and progressed immediately to the Golden Goal, St. Joseph's having possession of the ball as the final moments commenced. The ball hurtled backwards and forwards, endlessly (it seemed) changing hands. Every player on the court demonstrated passion, determination and resilience and both teams suffered just-missed goals. At last, the Golden Goal smashed through the hoop ... for Southfield Park! What a great feeling!

Our exhilarated players were presented with the Rally Shield which will go to the engravers and then return to school to be displayed in the atrium.

Congratulations to:

Amelia – Amelia's assertive play and reliable shooting were a huge asset.

Freya – Freya made excellent passing decisions, playing the ball brilliantly around the circle in particular.

Karim – Karim was 100% focused and used his height so well. He also proved again that he is a sure-shot shooter!

Molly – Molly found fantastic space on the court which really helped open up the game. Being the only Year 5 player in an otherwise exclusively Year 6 team, she played with great attack.

Robert – tipped ball after ball away from the opposition using his tremendous speed and spring.

Thea – Thea's determination was clear to see and she used it so positively, going for everything!

Taylor – despite a couple of dramatic tumbles, which had us all worrying, Taylor chased every ball. Plus, following excellent team work around the circle, he scored the winning Golden Goal! Hooray for Taylor!

All of the players were a real pleasure to watch and we are super proud of them.

As always, a big thank you to our supporters who stood courtside for hours and were such a fantastic encouragement to us all.





After



Mrs Yeates and Mrs Glasspool



Is your child's school lunch pattern going to change for the next half term?

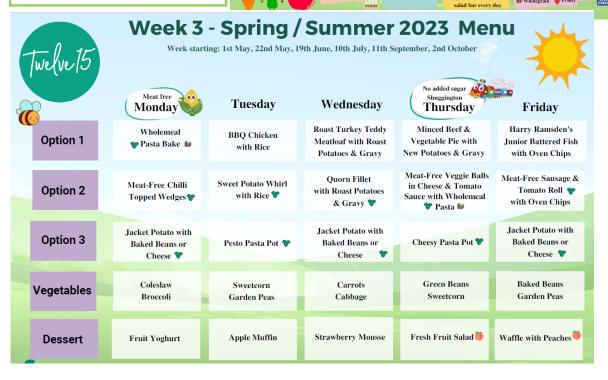
Please email Mrs Catling by the end of this term if it is:

Sarah.catling@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk

Please note that the cost of a meal for a Junior child (Y3-6) will be £2.70 from April.

Meals for children in Reception and Y1-2 are free to parents.





News From The Friends

House T-Shirts



As there were supply issues with the house T-shirts last year, we have decided to order early to ensure that there are no disappointed children at Sports Day this year. If you'd like to order a house T-shirt, these can also be purchased at https://www.pta-

events.co.uk/friendsofsouthfieldpark

T-shirts aren't compulsory but do add to the fun and team camaraderie at Sports Day and other house events. They remain at £6 like last year but our costs have risen significantly so we do reserve

the right to cancel the order if we don't receive enough orders which makes our costs prohibitive. All orders must be received by **31st March 2023** so that we can order over the Easter holidays.

Extraordinary General Meeting

In line with our constitution, we hereby give notice that we will be holding an Extraordinary General Meeting on Monday 24th April 2023 at 8:30pm. This meeting has been called as we propose some changes to our team. Our current treasurer will be standing down and a vote will be made by the current committee on election of the new proposed treasurer, Laura Lawson, who has put herself forward for the role.

Please do join us at Teams link



Thanks

Thank you everyone for your support this term. The Friends committee work very hard for the benefit of all the children, but we could hold the events we do without the support of the wider school community. We hope you have a wonderful Easter break and we will see you in the Summer Term.



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Name your child's belongings

Buy your name labels and stickers from https://www.easy2name.com/ and enter the code

Its Party Time!

Next Friday, 31st March, we will be celebrating the pupil's achievements this term with a special assembly, a mix up playtime and a party! We are so proud of the children here and want to say a big thank you to them for everything they do to make our school such a special place. During the Ofsted visit this term, the children really did SHINE in every aspect of school life. **The children may wear their own clothes/party clothes to school for the occasion.**

Getting reading for the Summer Term

The Easter Holidays are fast approaching and the Summer Term will be with us before we know it. Please can you take the opportunity to ensure that your children have everything that they will need for lessons and are wearing the correct uniform. We have noticed lots of non-uniform items creeping in and know that many families will be waiting for the Easter Holidays to replenish and renew. In the Summer Term, we will be cracking down on this so please make sure that you know what is expected by reviewing the information below.

Uniform

Uniform for Infants

The winter uniform is:

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- Grey socks (boys) or grey tights or white socks (girls)
- White polo shirts (with or without school logo)
- Purple sweatshirt or cardigan (with school logo)
- Black shoes (no laces please, until they can tie them themselves!)
- Book Bag / Rucksack

For the summer (optional):

- Grey school shorts with a white polo shirt
- Purple and white checked summer dress (or grey shorts or skirt and white polo shirt).

Uniform for Juniors

The winter uniform is:

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- Grey socks (boys) or grey tights or white socks (girls)
- White shirt with suitable neck fastening for a tie
- School tie
- Purple V neck jumper or cardigan (with school logo)
- Black shoes
- Rucksack

For the summer (optional):

- Grey school shorts with white shirt and tie
- Purple and white checked summer dress

For PE all children will need:

Plain white T-shirt or Southfield Park PE T-shirt

Navy shorts

Plimsolls or trainers

Socks if tights are normally worn

Southfield Park PE Bag

Joggers and a warm top are useful for outdoor PE during the winter months (dark colours, please)

For younger children, especially in Reception, please include spare pants/knickers/socks/tights for emergencies!

Stationery for Juniors

In Juniors the children must have a named pencil case containing these items:



Crazy Hair Day

Red Nose Day. On Friday 17th March, We came to school with crozy hair to raise money for tonic Relic, Some people had bottles in their half punky hair a cossories and some children even sprayed their hair diggerent colours.

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By Seunghyun

As a school we raised over £323 pounds, all of which will go to the Comic Relief charity.

Thank you!

Check out some the fun and crazy hair creations we saw









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Bright Sparks

Well done to our Bright Sparks this week:

Kinsella Ella and Ermis Rashford Aadhay and Hattie Tuilagi Azra and Marco Ioshua Alex and Hanvika

Federer Simmonds Manaal Piper

Daley Ellie and William Wilmot JEmily and ack

Groves Lennard Kenny Hayden and Lara

Holland Chiara and Drew Peacock Nicolas and Tracy

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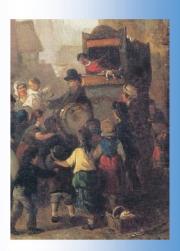








Coronation Fete
Bourne Hall Park
Spring Street Ewell
KT17 1UF
April 29, 10pm to 4pm



Bourne Hall Museum is holding a Free Coronation Fete to commemorate the enthroning of our new king. There will be a Victorian village fete with Maypole dancing, Punch & Judy, drill with Victorian soldiers, an antique fire engine in action, Music Hall songs, and a children's Royal Fancy Dress competition. Queen Victoria and Prince Albert will be there along with a Victorian policeman, old-style school and heavy horses. Don't miss the gift market inside Bourne Hall!

We are looking for teams of eight to take part in our tug of war competition: anyone from schools, pubs, clubs or just a group of friends who want to have a go. There will also be a special competition for primary schools! Trophies will be awarded to the winners of the different groups

Please email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk











Bourne Hall Museum Ewell, KT17 1UF April 15 10am to 4pm Contact David Brooks 020 8394 1734

Welcome to the Wild Escape, a major new project uniting hundreds of museums in a celebration of this country's wildlife and creativity. The Wild Escape invites children ages 7–11 to their local museum where they will create an artwork around an animal in the collection. Their pictures will be brought together in a collective artwork on Earth Day. Led by Art Fund and supported by Arts Council England, the Wild Escape is an opportunity for the next generation to join in the conversation about biodiversity.

Bourne Hall Museum's animal is the Swan. So, turn up on April 15 for lots of free activities based around swans. There will be:

Hearing storytime with tales and legends including the Ugly Duckling Making hands-on art with pictures, drawings, and paintings

Meeting the Swan Queen and Swan Fairy to learn more about these fascinating birds and the mini-beasts you can find in the garden.

Learning about Swan-upping and using swan feathers to draw their bill markings, write your name using the Victorian style of writing with pot hooks to add to the authenticity.

Looking at the history of Swan-upping, the geographical areas, the crime linked to it, the markings, and statistics and how it helps us today.

dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk.

Wednesday 12 April 11am to 12.30pm and 2pm to 3.30pm



Enlist into our Gladiator School and discover the role of a gladiator within Roman society. Learn about the different types of fighting and weaponry. Witness the resident Gladiators demonstrate their skills. Will it be thumbs up or thumbs down?

Are you brave enough to survive the arena? Come and learn how to be a gladiator and put your new-found skills into practice. Will you be a Murmillo, Secutor or perhaps a Provocator?

Was it really history's most deadly sport?

Entry £5 per child, 20 children per session you have to book!

Further information available from

David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 020 8394 Kids Club bringing history alive

Ewell History Walks, April 5 10am to 12pm April 6 2pm to 4pm and 7.30pm to 9.30pm



Peel back time and discover Ewell's kidden past and unseen history with a guided walk around the village. A settlement since pre-historic times, Ewell has a rich history concealed beneath the modern village.

Visit Bonrne Hall's sacred lake were Bronze, Jron Age and Roman folk made offerings to ancient gods. Tread in the footsteps of the Romans on Stane Street and discover their sacred shafts. Discover the village's Saxon cemetery and its long-lost

Discover Gwell's dark past and the tales that some would rather forget. Learn about exploding gunpowder mills. Tread in the footsteps of the body-snatchers and see where they plied their grisly trade. Hear stories of witches, tragic coach crashes and folk who won't stay dead!

Price £5 per person. Places limited to 20 and must be pre-booked with David Brooks. dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.nk 020 83941734

Please meet at the main entrance to Bourne Hall

