

Where Getting Better Never Stops

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope that you had a lovely half term despite the rain, wind, hail, sleet etc!

We have had a great start to the second half of the spring term this week. The children I year 3 and 4 visited Selly manor as part of the historical study of the Tudors. As well as the children having a wonderful experience, the also received lots of compliments about the brilliant behaviour.

Class Superstars

Congratulations to all our children, who have been presented with certificates in recognition of their excellent learning traits:

Layla and Bodhi (Ladybirds), Joey (Butterflies), Jensen (Herons), Jessica (Penguins), Savannah (Puffins), Isobel (Sparrows), Ruben (Kingfishers), Lucinda (Peacocks), Kiera (Kestrels), Isla (Golden Eagles)

World Book Day- Thursday 5th March

To celebrate World Book day the children are invited to come to school as a word- letters have been sent home previously giving details of this activity. The children can be as elaborate or low key as they want to be — whatever they feel most comfortable doing.

The children will be invited to take part in a vocabulary parade on Thursday afternoon.

If you would like to join us for this event please email southamprimary@stowevalley.com

Year 5 Graduation Ceremony at Warwick University

The children in year 5 have been taking part in a project run by Warwick University. To celebrate the end of the project the children have been invited to take part in a graduation ceremony at Warwick University on Wednesday 4th March.

Letters giving details of the ceremony were sent home before the half term break. If you would like to attend this very exciting event and have not already notified the school please email HeadSOA@stowevalley.com

Parent/ Carer Teacher Meetings

Meetings to discuss your child's learning and welfare will be held on Thursday 5th March and Monday 9th March.

If you have not received an email/ text message to access the booking system please email HeadSOA@stowevalley.com

Coronavirus Update

You will be aware that a new strain of the coronavirus (COVID-19) was identified in China in January. We are sharing the government advice to ensure that we are supporting the prevention of infection within the UK.

If your child has travelled to any Category 1 specified country/area in the past 14 days, they should self-isolate for 14 days and call NHS 111 immediately if they become unwell.

Category 1 specified country/areas are: • Wuhan city and Hubei Province (China) • Iran • Daegu or Cheongdo (Republic of Korea) • Any Italian town under containment measures

If your child has travelled to any Category 2 specified country/area in the past 14 days, they should self-isolate only if they develop symptoms and call NHS 111 immediately if they become unwell.

Category 2 countries/areas are: Cambodia China Hong Kong Italy: north Japan Laos Macau Malaysia Myanmar Republic of Korea Singapore Taiwan Thailand Vietnam

The following symptoms may develop in the 14 days after exposure to someone who has COVID-19 infection: • cough

- difficulty in breathing
- fever

We can all support in preventing the spread of the virus by;

washing our hands often with soap and water covering our cough/sneeze with a tissue and then throwing this in the bin avoiding touching our face with unwashed hands.

If you feel that your child needs to be self-isolated, please inform the staff in the school office at school as you normally would for absence.

Further advice can be found at https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/ and www.gov.uk.

Coming to School on Time

Please could you ensure that your child is on site ready to come into school at 8.45am. We have had some children arriving late, and this makes it difficult for their teacher as they have already started teaching their class and can also be unsettling for your child. Many thanks.



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Children should not arrive on site before 8.35am unless they are attending the before school club.

Reporting Absences

If your child is not in school please could you ensure that you either call the school office on 01926 812520 or email southamprimary@stowevalley.com before 9am.

Please do not send a message via Class Dojo t your child's teacher, as they are teaching and will not be able to pick up these messages until later on in the day.

Many thanks.

Friends Of Southam Primary School Dates 2020

13th March –Disco 20th March Mother's Day Sale 20th May- Cake Sale 20th June- Summer Fair

FOSPS Mother's Day Sale

One last ditch plea for donations for mother days sale! We have had a good amount which we thank you for, but we still need more.

If you have any un-opened ladies toiletries or small gifts items that you could donate, we would greatly appreciate them. We are hoping to get them wrapped early March due to work restraints, so if any donations could be dropped into reception ASAP, that would be great.

Many thanks for your support.

FOSPS

If you are able to help with the sale please let a member of the FOSPS team know or email HeadSOA@stowevalley.com

<u>School Lunches</u> The price of a child's school lunch is <u>£2.30</u>. Payment can be made by Parentpay, cash or cheque – which should be made payable to Southam Primary School (WCC).

Costs for this term are:

Per lunch £2:30, per week: £11.50, year: £439.30 Spring Half term 1 £66.70, Half term 2 £69, Spring Term £135.70

Summer Half term 1 £57.50, Half term 2 £75.90, Summer Term £133.40 The menu for next week is:-

Monday Cheese and tomato pizza wedge/ vegan country bake/ jacket potato/ cheddar cheese sandwich Chocolate cracknel/ yogurt/ fresh fruit

Tuesday Beef grill in a bun/ cheesy pasta bake/ jacket potato/ turkey wrap

Jelly with fruit/ice cream tub/ yogurt/ fresh fruit
Wednesday Roast chicken/ mild vegetable korma/ jacket
potato/ tuna mayonnaise bap Up beet chocolate cake/
yogurt/ fresh fruit

Thursday Beef chilli/ veggie hot dog/ jacket potato/ chicken bap Melting moment biscuit / yogurt/ fresh fruit Friday Breaded fish fingers/ cheesy tomato risotto/ jacket potato/ cheese wrap Fruit muffin/ ice cream tub / yogurt/ fresh fruit

Dates for your diary

March

3rd Netball match against Long Itchington-home

5th World Book day

5th Parent teacher meetings – appointments to be booked online

6th Penguin class assembly – 10am

9th Parent teacher meetings – appointments to be booked online

10th Year 1 Balance bike day

11th Music ensemble performance for all the children

13th Golden Eagle class assembly – 10am

13th FOSPS Disco

17th Year 1 Balance bike day

17th Netball tournament

20th Skylark class assembly - 10am

23rd Year 5 and 6- Southam's Got talent at Southam College

24th Netball tournament

25th Year 5 and 6- Easter experience at St James Church

26th Year 2 visit to Coventry Cathedral

27th Ladybird class assembly – 10am

31st Easter service at St James Church - 10am

W/B 30th Book fair in school

April

 3^{rd} What's My Line assembly- local volunteers will be in school taking to the children about their job 3^{rd} Last day of term

20th Children return to school

Have a lovely weekend.

Emma Longworth