

Where Getting Better Never Stops

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have had another super exciting week with Ian Bland visiting us on Tuesday and Wednesday. The children had a fantastic time writing poetry with him.

A few parents have contacted me about purchasing his poetry books. The books can be purchased from lan's website. https://www.ianbland.com/

The children in year 5 started their project working alongside students from Warwick University. Following the completion of this project the children will have the opportunity to take part in a graduation ceremony at Warwick University on Wednesday 4th March.

We also received a special letter this week from Nick Gibb, who is the Minister of State for School Standards.



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
Minister of State for School Standards

Sanctuary Buildings, 20 Great Smith Street, Westminster, London, SW1P 3BT tel: 0370 000 2288 www.education.gov.uk/help/contactus

Miss Emma Longworth Southam Primary School St James Road Southam CV47 0QB

2 January 2020

Dear Miss Longworth,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high level of progress that pupils in your school demonstrated in the reading, writing and mathematics Key Stage 2 assessments last year.

Your school's results, as published on 13 December, show progress scores of 4.7, 2.8 and 5.4 in reading, writing and mathematics respectively. This means that in terms of the progress your pupils make between Key Stage 1 and the end of Key Stage 2, your school is amongst the top 3 per cent of primary schools in the country.

The Government wants to ensure that every child has the fluency in reading, writing and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, which is why I was delighted to see your results.

Thank you for your work in continuing the drive towards higher academic standards, and congratulations again to you and your staff for your commitment and success

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP

Minister of State for School Standards

Next week the children will be taking part in Safer Internet Day on Tuesday with some special workshops on Tuesday.

Class Superstars

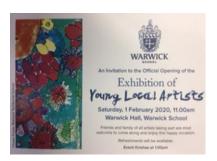
Congratulations to all our children, who have been presented with certificates in recognition of their excellent learning traits:

Vicente (Herons), Daisy (Penguins), Harry (Puffins), Arabella (Sparrows), Grace (Toucans), Sergui (Kingfishers), Noah (Skylarks), James (Golden Eagles), James (Kestrel), Jake (Peacocks)

Maths Challenge Superstars

Congratulations to everyone who completed the January maths challenge.

Reception, year 1 and 2 challenge: Paul, Charlie, Robyn, Rory,
Thanoojan, Isaac, Sophie, Elijah and Dinusha
Year 3 and 4 challenge: Tudor, Joseph, Payson, Evelyn Bethan
Year 5 and 6 challenge: Arthur



Huge well done to Marco, Faith, Tommie, Ada, Melodie and Millie who are representing Southam Primary School with their stunning art work at Warwick School's Exhibition of Young Local Artists

Charity Superstars

This wonderful group of children held a stall at our Christmas Fair to raise funds for the charity Just One Ocean.

The children raised £17.00, which the FOSPS team very kindly increased to £25.00.

We really do have the most thoughtful; children at Southam Primary School.



Coming to School on Time

Please could you ensure that your child is on site ready to come in to 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 admin2624@welearn365.com before 9am.

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

Friends Of Southam Primary School

Dates 2020

12th February- Cake Sale 13th March –Disco 20th May- Cake Sale 20th June- Summer Fair

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 12th February 2020 at 7.20pm
Everyone welcome!

FOSPS Cakes Sale

Wednesday 12th February After school in the Cosy Nest

FOSPS are hosting another of their legendary cake sales. All donations of cakes are very welcome. Please drop any donations on the day of the sale to the school office.

If you are able to help with the sale please let a member of the FOSPS team know or email head2624@welearn365.com

<u>School Lunches</u> The price of a child's school lunch is £2.30. 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

February

3rd Netball match against Long Itchington – away

4th Safer Internet workshops for all the children

7th Butterfly class assembly - 10am

11th Netball match against St Lawrence- away

12th- 14th Year 6 Residential trip to Robinwood

17th – 21st Half term

24th Children return to school

25th Year 3 & 4 trip to Selly Manor

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28th Kestrel class assembly - 10am

29th Year 5 and 6 Cross country race at Moreton Morrell Collegethe first 18 places runners will automatically qualify for the regional race on Wednesday 11th March at Nuneaton

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

 $27^{th} \ Ladybird \ class \ assembly - 10 am$

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