

Dear Parents/ Carers,

### **Class Superstars**

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

Tyler (Heron), Phys (Penguins), Lacie (Puffins), Lexi (Sparrows), Hendrix (Toucans), Ava (Kingfishers), Isabel (Skylarks), Brandon (Golden Eagles), Logan (Kestrel), Sayal Peacocks)

### **Last Week's Attendance Superstars**

Foundation and Key Stage 1		Key Stage 2	
Ladybird	94%	Toucan	99.3%
Butterfly	99.5%	Sky Lark	97.5%
Puffin	94.6%	Kingfisher	99.3%
Sparrow	98.1	Kestrel	96.6%
Heron	96.5%	Peacock	96.1%
Penguin	96.8%	Golden Eagle	95.4%
Whole school: 97%			

Congratulations to everyone in Butterfly class who achieved the highest attendance last week with 99.5%. A fantastic start to the year!

### **Cross Country Superstars!**

Good luck to our cross country runners who will be competing in their first race of the season at Southam College. Many thanks to Miss Gill and Mr Howes for the support with this fantastic event.

Many thanks to our wonderful FOSPS team who will be providing refreshments at the race tomorrow.

### **Contact Details**

Please could you make sure that we have your up to date contact details-especially if you have moved house or changed mobile numbers over the summer holiday. Please could you ensure that we have **two** contacts for your child.

### **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.

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

### **Parent Teacher Meetings**

We will be holding informal drop in sessions for anyone who would like to come and have a chat with their child's class teacher on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September from 3.45pm- 5.30pm.**

If you would like to see your child's class teacher please could you let them know so that they can stagger their meetings so that parents/ carers are not waiting to see them.

Target setting parent teacher meetings will take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> November. We will be operating an online booking system for the November meetings so please could you ensure that we have your up to date contact details.

### **Class Dojo**

ClassDojo is a classroom communication website and app that can be used to communicate between teachers and parents.

This year we will be using ClassDojo to communicate with you, share information and post photographs of what your children have been learning.

ClassDojo can be accessed via the website

[www.classdojo.com](http://www.classdojo.com) or you can download the free app.

As well as sharing your children's work with you, messages and reminders can be sent directly to all parents/ carers in a specific class or to individual parents/ carers. Parents can also message class teachers. Children will be able to share their work with parents/ carers.

In order to access our school ClassDojo site please follow the instructions on the letter that has been sent home last Friday. If you have already had an account set up please ignore this letter.

### **Harvest Festival**

We will be holding our Harvest Festival on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October at St James Church at 10am. This year we would like to support The Salvation Army and the Southam Foodbank. The charities are obviously grateful for all donations but they would be really grateful for any of the following: Long Life Fruit Juice, sugar (500g bags), coffee, tinned meat, instant mashed potato, sponge puddings, toiletries, baby wipes and can openers.

### **School Photographs**

The photographer will be in school on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>**

**September** in the morning to take the children's photograph. These will be individual photographs and photographs of siblings together.

### **Open Morning**

We will be holding an open morning for prospective parents on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October from 10am until 12pm.** No need to make an appointment just turn up.

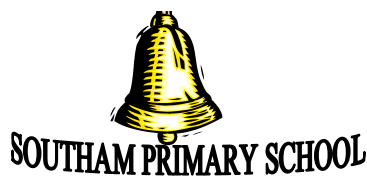
### **Open Evening**

We will be holding an open evening for all parents on

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October between 5pm and 6.30pm.**

This is an opportunity for you to come and see all the wonderful work that the children do in all of the classrooms and find out more about the curriculum.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019



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### Aldi's Kit for Schools

We are collecting stickers from Aldi's Kit for Schools scheme. Our collection box is located in the main school entrance.

### Before and After School Club Bookings

If you would like to book a place for your child at before or after school club please could you contact the club directly rather than call or email the school number.

Their contact details are:

07591980353

This phone is answered throughout the day.

[sunnydaysclub@yahoo.com](mailto:sunnydaysclub@yahoo.com)

If you have any messages for club regarding your child attending or a change of plan for that day, please could you **inform the club directly** not via your child's class teacher. A member of staff from the club is always available first thing in the morning and before the club resumes in the afternoon.

### Bag2School Collection

We will be having a Bag2School collection on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**. Bags have been sent home with the children, however items can be packed into any bag. Items that can be put in to the bags for re use are:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Curtains
- Towels
- Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Please put any unwanted clothing in them and return to school by 9am on the 27<sup>th</sup> September. The school will receive an amount of money depending on the weight of clothing donated.

Many thanks for your support– it is really appreciated.

**School Lunches** 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

Autumn Half term 1 £89.70, Half term 2 £80.50, Autumn Term £170.20

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: Sausages with gravy/ Chinese style quorn/ Jacket potato/ Tuna mayonnaise sandwich/ Strawberry swirl mouse/ Cheddar cheese and crackers/ Yoghurt

Tuesday: Chicken wrap with BBQ sauce/ Omelette/ Jacket potato/ Cheese bap/ Iced mandarin sponge/ Yoghurt

Wednesday: Roast pork/ Veggie toad in the hole/ Jacket potato/ Turkey bap/ Fruit crumble/ Ice cream/ Yoghurt

Thursday: Beef bolognaise pasta/ Cheese and tomato pizza/ Jacket potato/ Ham sandwich/ Creamy whip with fruit/ Ginger cookie/ Yoghurt

Friday: Salmon fish fillet/ Vegetable burrito/ Jacket potato// Egg may and cress bap/ Mini doughnut/ Yoghurt

### Dates for your diary

September

21<sup>st</sup> Cross country race – Southam College

24<sup>th</sup> Individual photographs

26<sup>th</sup> Family poetry workshop with Ian Bland

27<sup>th</sup> Bag2School collection

30<sup>th</sup> Year 5 and 6 trip to Holdenby House

For future dates please see our school website or Facebook page.

Have a lovely weekend.

Emma Longworth

### Ian Bland, Performance Poet, Family Workshop Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents,

I would like to inform you of an exciting opportunity we have coming up:

We are extremely lucky to have Ian Bland, a performance poet, visiting us for 2 days in September. Due to the success of his last visit, Ian is offering a workshop for parents and children to attend together free of charge after school.

Poetry is now an important and central pillar of the new literacy curriculum. It can be used as a powerful tool to help children to significantly improve their reading, writing and oracy skills with a new emphasis on children learning and PERFORMING either poetry written by themselves or that of professional children's writers.

During Ian's highly entertaining session, he will have you and your family up and performing with him as well as writing original pieces – a thoroughly worthwhile experience for all.

If you are interested in the sessions, please complete the form below and return to the school office by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

**Children must be accompanied by a parent/ family member.**

The session will run after school, from 3:30pm to 4:30pm in the mini hall.

Do not hesitate to contact me with any queries.

My family are interested in attending the family poetry workshop with Ian Bland on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

Child's name:

Class:

Number of family members attending: