## **Key Dates for the Summer Term 2023**

# April

17<sup>th</sup> Children return to school 17<sup>th</sup> All Stars and Dynamos cricket coaching- year 1, 2 and 3 20<sup>th</sup> All Stars and Dynamos cricket coaching- year 4, 5 and 6 21<sup>st</sup> FOSPS Discos

# May

1<sup>st</sup> Bank holiday 8<sup>th</sup> Bank holiday 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATs 22<sup>nd</sup> Class group photographs 23-24<sup>th</sup> May Anne Marie resident artist – year 5 and 6 26<sup>th</sup> May KS2 sports morning 29<sup>th</sup> May- 2<sup>nd</sup> June Half term

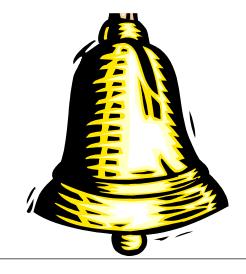
### June

5<sup>th</sup> Staff training day
6<sup>th</sup> Children return to school
6<sup>th</sup> Bike marking session
15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Road safety workshops
15<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Celebration afternoon with families
16<sup>th</sup> FOSPS Father's Day sale
24<sup>th</sup> FOSPS Summer Fair
27<sup>th</sup> Music Festival

# July

12<sup>th</sup> Warwickshire Sings concert at Warwick School
13<sup>th</sup> Parent teacher meetings to discuss end of year reports
25<sup>th</sup> Last day of term
25<sup>th</sup> Family picnic- 12pm- 1pm
25<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Final assembly – 10.30am

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# Southam Primary School

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Stops

Merlin Class

Summer Term, 2023

Dear Families,

We have a very exciting term planned for the children. Our topics during this term are Volcanoes and the Romans.

Through this topic the children will be taught about the physical geography of Volcanoes, their location, formation, and geographical features. Through this study the children will also explore the science of changing states. The second part of our Summer term will be spent exploring Roman history and legends such as Romulus and Remus and Boudica. The children will explore their creative side through DT projects and Art works using clay and mosaic.

Our topics will support our English studies, which will include narrative stories linked to our key text "Into the Volcano" as well as a variety of poetry and non-fiction texts linking to both Volcanoes and Romans. We will develop our skills of independent research, using our knowledge to create our own fact files as well as applying our topical learning to persuasive writing and writing in different forms such as letters and diaries.

In Maths, we will focus on decimals, money, time, measure and geometry as well as applying the four operations to problem solving.

Throughout the term we will be sharing the children's work with you via Class Dojo.

**PE lessons** will be every Thursday afternoon, therefore children should come to school wearing their PE kit.

PE kit is: plain coloured t shirt (green, red or blue depending on your child's house team), school blue sweatshirt, white/grey/black shorts or plain, dark coloured track suit bottoms, depending on the weather.

## How You Can Help Your Child at Home

#### **Maths Homework**

Children will be expected to spend some time every week learning their times tables or practicing their 66 club. Those children with good times table knowledge have a definite advantage in different areas of maths too. To consolidate key concepts, some additional homework will be set occasionally. You will be notified of this via Class Dojo.

## Reading

Ensure your child is reading five times a week for fifteen minutes and that this is logged on Boom reader. Reading with your child and asking them questions about the texts that they are reading is extremely important to ensure a secure understanding of the text. Children need to read a variety of texts – newspapers, blogs, recipes, instructions etc, this will give them a broad range of texts and help them understand the different language used.

### **Handle with Care**

If your family is experiencing difficulties at home, I would like to provide additional support at school. I understand that you are not always able to share details and that is okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning, or weekend, please send myself or Miss Longworth a message stating 'Handle with Care' on Class Dojo. Nothing else will be said or asked. This will let me know that your child may need extra time, patience or help during the day.

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