



Dear Parents,

We have had such a lovely return to school; the children seem to be settling in well to their new classes and are already working hard. It was good to see so many of you at our annual 'Meet the Teacher' meetings. If you were unable to attend, please look at your child's class page on the website, as you will find information about each class here. As always we have also included our topic planning for this term so that you can see what we plan to get up to!

We have relaunched our Home Learning Policy this term and your child will now be receiving the relevant home learning tasks. Please support your child with these tasks. I have also received requests for the key stage two times table booklet to be repeated. If you would like a copy of this booklet, please send a donation of £5 to the school office marked 'Times Table Booklet KS2' and we will organise for a copy to be printed for you.

All of the current dates for the year are now on our website. Please be aware of the following dates:

INSET day - Monday 9th October

Harvest Festival and Year R welcome—Wednesday 18th October—school hall, 9am

Open Afternoon—pupil led—3.15-4pm Monday 16th October

Finish for half term Friday 20th October and return to school Monday 30th October

Parents Consultations—Wednesday 22nd November (3.30-5pm) and Thursday 23rd November (5-7.30pm)

Nativity—Tuesday 5th December—Gruffalo class

KS2 Music Concert—Wednesday 6th December

Nativity Elmer and Paddington class—Wednesday 13th December

Christingle Service, St. Mary's 2pm Thursday 14th December

Celebration Assembly—Thursday 21st December, 9am school hall



This is a fantastic piece of writing from Olivia Dale, year 4. We are now into the third year of using high quality texts in English and we are getting some exceptional results. Well done Olivia.

Dear Diary

Today has been an adventure! As I opened the glorious red door a beautiful land appeared. Feeling shocked, my eyes gazed around the wonderful land of happiness. Swinging like stars, the yellowy green lights shone like fireflies. I couldn't wait until the future in this unknown land started.

Crashing in the breeze, the blue river twisted and turned as it pushed pass the rocks. I could hear the rustle of the trees like whispers in the air. Birds tweeting made my ears and body want to dance. I could feel that this world was full of magic because the nature made me know that there was a secret somewhere. The sweet smell of lavender, herbs and flowers were like perfume.

Smiling happily, I was full of entertainment and was finally happy. Even though there could be dangers I was ready. This is what it feels like to be on an adventure.

Our new log cabin...

Our log cabin has arrived and is already invaluable. It is used for group work, music lessons and meetings. We also open the space at lunch times for the children to colour and play board games. Please do send in any unused and unwanted colouring books, pens and pencils or no longer played with board games to enhance this space.



Music in the cabin...

We continue to offer a range of individual music lessons. If your child is interested in learning an instrument, please look for the contact details of music staff on our website. We will be looking to expand this service this term and will let you know as soon as we have further details.

Sport at SBS 2017–2018

This year we will be continuing to work with the New Forest Schools Partnership and have planned for children in year 1 to 6 to enter a range of competitions. There are a range of opportunities available so opportunities for many children to get involved. We have also started to regularly run a mile - five times around our field...we are already getting stronger, faster and fitter!



We would also like to work in partnership with the FRIENDS to organise a 'Year of Sport' at SBS. This is an opportunity to have lots of fun and raise money through sponsorship for our school and a charity of our choice. This project is open to ALL and the intention is that there will be something for everyone.....running, bike riding, paddle boarding.....

Are you up for the challenge?

If this sounds like something you would like to be involved in, please join a planning group—the more the merrier and the easier it will be.

The first meeting for this group will be:

Thursday 9th November at 7.15pm

Good luck to all of you taking part in the Bournemouth Marathon this Sunday!



Community Assembly has returned...

Friday mornings 9am, school hall.

Please join us for our weekly Community Assembly.

If you would like to speak or know somebody who would make a great speaker, please do let me know.

We look forward to seeing you at these assemblies soon.

Collective Worship

Our theme for Collective Worship this term is 'Generosity.' We will be helping the children to explore the theme through whole school and class worship.

At home you could discuss:

- ◇ What does being generous mean in your family?
- ◇ Do you have to be generous with money and possessions? Is it possible to be generous with time and gifts of our abilities?
- ◇ Why do generous people often say that they receive much more than they give?
- ◇ What is the opposite of being generous? What type of friend would you prefer to have?
- ◇ How generous are you? Who is the most generous person you know?

THANK YOU and Opportunities...

We will also be joined this term by Jacqui Stoneham, who will be volunteering in Elmer and Paddington class, as well as leading some collective worships for us. We are really delighted to welcome Jacqui to our volunteering team—her considerable teaching experience, most recently as Deputy Headteacher at Lymington Infant School will clearly benefit the SBS children. We are also delighted to be welcoming back Janet Brown and Jane Sumner both ex-SBS teachers who give their time generously to our children. We also thank Jen Marriot and Sarah-Jane Stephens.

If you would like to volunteer in class, with sports, craft or cooking activities, please do let me know—we would love to see you! We are also still offering a place to a candidate to train to teach with us 2018-19. Currently, Mrs Whitehead is enrolled on the graduate teaching programme that we are running in partnership with the Halterworth Teaching Alliance. This is a Winchester University course and for candidates with a degree it is an opportunity to achieve 'qualified teacher status' whilst working and training at SBS. For further information, please do come and talk to me.



Books this term: We continue to use high-quality text to teach English at SBS. This term the children have already been enjoying some great books.

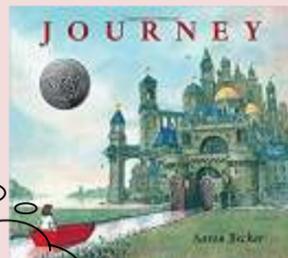
Gruffalo class are starting with familiar books that rhyme.



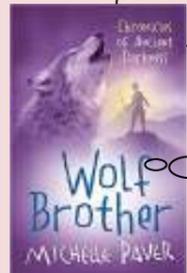
Paddington and Elmer class have two wonderful books to read.



Tulane and Shadow have started the year together.



Aslan class are gripped by this book...



FRIENDS Wish List

The Friends of SBS have kindly set up an Amazon account for the school.

The teachers are able to upload gifts that they would love for their classroom.

Further information will follow from the Friends, in the meantime, we are extremely grateful for you on-going support.



Editing text at home...

This year we will continue to help all children improve their editing skills. It is really important that children can start to recognise their mistakes in writing and/or improve on first drafts. Often children cannot think about everything that needs to be included in a piece of writing in their first attempt. By being clear about what we expect, children can return to their writing at a later point and ensure it meets expectation. This is a really helpful process when working to improve spelling, as children can spot mistakes and correct errors. Please encourage your child to review their writing when writing at home....sometimes this will mean leaving a gap between first draft and review.



Animal Antics

We are very happy to welcome a friend for Lettuce the rabbit. The children will be voting on a name in assembly.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to sign up for the rota to come in and feed the animals at the weekend. Also we urgently need volunteers to help build a new chicken run. (The chickens are currently residing at their holiday home!)

Please email:

E.McGuckian@southbaddesley.hants.sch.uk

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is now open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning, 7.45am to 8.30am

Children attending eat a light breakfast and play games or do a range of crafts.

There are some places available, please ask Ms Fordham or Mrs Hills if you would like to book a place. We cannot guarantee a place if not booked a week in advance.

Payments for the club can now be taken online.



Clothing at SBS....

As the weather starts to turn, we will be asking the children to change their footwear at breaks. All children need a pair of wellington boots or old trainers in school for breaks.

Also, please send your child to school with a coat. Please LABEL all clothes and shoes.

Hoodies may be worn for school trips, sporting events and breaks but they are not to be worn as a school sweatshirt.

School jumpers and polo shirts should have the SBS logo on. Children may wear, grey or red tights or socks. School shoes should be black or red. Hair styles should be smart and appropriate for school.



Harvest Festival

This year our Harvest Festival and Year R welcome service is Wednesday 18th October, 9am in the school hall.

The Friends of SBS will be serving coffees in the log cabin.

This year we will be collecting for Lymington Food Bank and we are also asking for donations of vegetable plants and seeds for our garden so that we can grow food to share with people in need of support.

In addition, the annual harvest festival at St. Mary's Church is on: Sunday 8th October at 11am.



Attendance Policy

Please read our Attendance Policy. It can be found on our website. Sadly, term Penalty Fines return for unauthorised absences of 10 sessions (5 full days). Hopefully we can work in partnership to maintain good levels of attendance. As always I will be completing monthly monitoring of attendance and will request to speak to parents where levels fall below the expected standard. **Routine** medical appointments should always be avoided within the school day as this has a significant impact on attendance. Good attendance at school makes a considerable difference to children's learning. Thank you in advance for your support.