

South Baddesley CE Primary School

May Newsletter 2018



Dear Parents,

Another rapid half term has flown by! Hopefully this newsletter will give you a flavour of some of the fun we have had and some of the learning the children have done. As always, below are a list of key dates, all dates can be found on our website.

Friday 25th May—last day of half term.

Monday 4th June—school closed for INSET

Thursday 7th June—Sports Day A

Thursday 14th June—Sports Day B

SATURDAY 16th JUNE—SBS Summer Fete

**Thursday 19th July—Leaver's Service
St.Mary's Church -1.30pm**

Friday 20th July—last day of term and Celebration Assembly.

TRANSITION WEEK: Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th July—all children.

School Uniform and Kit: Please remember to send your child to school in correct school uniform; long hair should be tied up and children should not wear jewellery. School hoodies are for sports events, outdoor play and school outings and should not be worn in place of a school cardigan or sweatshirt. Children also need PE kits in school all week with trainers or plimsolls. At this time of year, please send your child with a sun hat and wearing sun cream. It is helpful for the children to bring a water bottle to school each day.

Cushions...

The Friends have kindly paid for the materials for children in years 2-6 to design and make their own cushions. In a previous pupil questionnaire about worship, the children reported that sometimes they are uncomfortable sitting on the floor. In response to this we have been making our own personalised cushions so that we can sit comfortably for this special time of day. Years 3,4,5 and 6 will design and make their cushions during their Monday afternoon rotation and year 2 will make their cushions during transition week 2018. This will become a regular event during transition week to KS2.



GDPR: As many of you will be aware, data protection laws are changing. In order to maintain high standards of security and avoid breaches of data, the SBS team has updated our current Privacy Statement, completing an audit of all our data sources across the school, reviewing and updating our consent forms and providing staff and Governor training. This is available to view on our website under Policies. Essentially we have appointed Elaine Williams as our new Data Protection Officer.

Home Learning and Topic Plans: Please may I remind you that both topic plans and home-learning projects are available for this term on our school website. You can find them in the class pages section. An email to all parents, regarding this, has been sent home earlier this term. If you would like further info, please catch your child's class teacher at pick up or drop a note in via your child.

Global Learning: This term we are learning about the 17 Global Goals for sustainability.



These goals, produced by the United Nations in 2015, set aims to be achieved by 2030. They cover a wide range of topics but focus on securing peace and security through a fairer, more secure and sustainable world. In Community Assembly we have watched some Ken Robinson films introducing the topic and I have asked the children to start to be involved by telling one other person outside of school about the goals. Next we are going to look at the little things we could do at home and school to help. This work links into the learning the children have already been doing about plastic pollution and the work year 6 will start this term with Freedom to Learn Charity—education in Nepal.

Breakfast Club: this continues to be a popular club, activities this term have included time in the garden, alongside the regular games and crafts. From September 2018, Breakfast Club will run Monday—Thursday, at the new time of 7.30–8.30am. Booking forms are available on our school website.



Sports Premium

A full report regarding our use of Sports Premium can be found on our school website. In the meantime, some highlights of our use of this funding to raise the profile and provision of sport at SBS:

Continued use of the running track within the school day and for whole school team events such as the SBS Marathon, continued Enrichment Sport for KS2 (Monday afternoon rotation), introduction of swimming for years 3,4 and 5 at Walhampton, continued partnership with New Forest Sports and success particularly with year 6 netball, additional training for staff and growing pupil resources, All Stars cricket for years 1 and 2 and growing links with external clubs, including the continued commitment to girls football.

Next continue to develop the provision for sport and exercise within the grounds, offer further extra-curricular sports activities, launch of new style sports day and further embed initiatives such as Just Dance to get children moving.

Wonderful Manners: The children seem to be delighted with the opportunity to collect 'Wonderful Manners' stickers. This poster by Rebecca Wilkson is a fantastic celebration of our wonderful manners—thank you Rebecca!



Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools (SIAMS): All church schools are inspected every four years in order to ensure Church Schools continue to be distinctive in their Christian vision in order to enable all pupils and adults to flourish. In our last inspection, February 2014, we were judged to be an outstanding Church School. Our next inspection will take place during the Spring term 2019. We will be in the first cohort of schools to be inspected under a new and very different framework. Schools inspected in this framework will no longer be able to be judged 'outstanding.' Inspectors are primarily looking for schools to demonstrate that they are at least 'good' and the criteria for this is similar in expectation to the old outstanding. A few schools will be judged to be 'excellent.'

We are proud to be a Church school with a core set of Christian values. Our values, courage and perseverance, trust and respect, thankfulness and peace, are reflected in the daily life of our school, in our curriculum design and our key policies. For me, our values all sit comfortably under the umbrella of LOVE and it is love for others, love of our lives and being, as well as love of our world that both supports and motivates us. Love helps and guides us.

*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.
Love never fails...the greatest of these is love.
(Corinthians)*

Staffing Update: As I explained in my previous letter, we have now secured the arrangements for our teaching team from September 2018. The recruitment process for this new team has been robust and we are really looking forward to welcoming the new teachers to the SBS team. We are in the process of planning our transition events for the pupils during the summer term; with their new teachers, children will be finding out and sharing with you further information about their new classes. We will also be sharing with you the curriculum overview for the year; this will include links to all of the enrichment activities that take place such as Woodland School. Art, as well as additional PE and Sport. These are all fundamental elements of the curriculum we offer.

In the meantime, we would like to organise a collection for Mrs Blakeney and hoped parents would like to contribute towards a joint staff and parent gift. I will send further information out about this after half term.

All Stars Cricket

Cricket is fun because we get to bat and bowling. I like batting to because I play for Lymington Cricket and I like playing cricket. I wanted to play cricket because my dad plays for them.

Lambs in School



The children were so excited to welcome two soft white lambs to school. The lambs seemed to enjoy their outing too; they appeared quite relaxed in their new surroundings. We think we are so lucky to have our roots in the beautiful New Forest and try hard to make the most of this context within our curriculum and through the experiences we offer the children. We want the children to leave us as well-balanced and rounded learners; holding on to magical moments as they continue to explore the world.

East Boldre Tennis

Years 3,4 and 5 have been given the opportunity to develop their tennis skills through coaching at East Boldre Tennis Club. The children, accompanied by Mrs Neal and Mrs Rogers are attending coaching sessions at East Boldre in three week blocks. So far the children have reported...

'..it was really good'

'..it was fun, we got to swap around and play with nearly everyone..'

SBS Summer Fete and Quiz: Friday 18th May was the night of the annual SBS quiz. As always it was a fantastic evening. The new quiz masters, Peter Troup and Duncan Ward did a fabulous job and the teams showed great competitive spirit. I will quietly mention that the staff table did WIN! Not only was it a great night but it raised approximately £4000. This was due to the generosity on the night being matched by a kind donation. We are so grateful to the Friends for organising this event and their continued hard work; the funds raised by the Friends make an enormous difference to the SBS children. The money raised from the quiz will be going towards some new pupil laptops. The next big event held by the Friends is the Summer Fete—Saturday 16th June. We look forward to seeing you there.

Advert for a New School Governor

Would you like to help shape the future of SBS?

Would you like to support the strategic vision of the school?

Do you feel that you have skills, knowledge and understanding that could benefit our school Governing Body?

If so, please consider joining our Governing Body. We are looking to recruit a new parent Governor from June 2018.

For further information, please contact Peter Troup (Chair of Governors) or Anne Moir.

Response to Parent Questionnaires: Thank you again for completing our recent parent questionnaires. These provide extremely valuable viewpoints about our school. Whilst I am delighted that the majority of the questionnaires are predominantly positive; it is also good to have some areas of development to work on. The questionnaires have now been analysed and reviewed by Governors and a full report about the outcome of these questionnaires is attached with this letter and on our website.