

South Baddesley CE Primary School

Newsletter: April 2019



Paralympic Visit

On Monday 29th April 2019, Paralympian Jack Rutter (England Cerebral Palsy Football captain) visited South Baddesley School to share his story of never giving up on your dreams no matter what life throws at you. He talked to the children about the importance of a positive attitude, clear goals and the effort needed to succeed. Jack is part of the charity Sports for Schools and put the children through their paces during the fitness circuit completed by all children at SBS. He remarked on how engaged and enthusiastic the children were and was happy to see their love of sport and exercise was very much embedded.

Thank you for all your sponsorship money. It will be used to buy new sports equipment for SBS and will also go towards supporting Paralympians on their journey .

Sport at SBS

Here is an update on the competitive sport we have taken part in since February. This term our KS2 children will be out swimming and sailing so this will be a priority. However, there will be some matches with other schools and of course Sports Day to look forward to.

Event	Children participating	Feedback
KS2 Walhampton Cross Country	Dirk, Sam, Theo, Taggie, Heidi, Oscar, Alice, Tess, Erin, Isabella, Rebecca, James, Cam, Finlay and Ava	This is a firm favourite in our annual sporting calendar. Erin came 4th in the girl's year 5 group. All of the children really enjoyed the afternoon.
Year 2 Football	Henry, Gus, Freddie, Jonah, Eden and Evie	Wow! 3 winning matches, 1 draw and 1 loss. Gus was extremely brave in this event - he saved a wonderful shot for the team. Thank you Gus!
Year 4 Football	Sam, Oisin, James, Theo, Charlotte, Millie and Maisie.	Some tough matches for this team, a win and a draw in two of the games. Thank you Sam, you were a fabulous striker. Millie and Maisy showed great skills in attack - very strong players.
Year 5 and 6 Football	Kayleigh, Olivia, Grace, Greta, lowenna, Emily, Xander, Kit, Zak and Cam	This match was fun but a bit tricky as the first time the children had played as a team. They preserved and worked hard together.
Year 3 and 4 Netball	Millie, Maisie, Stephanie, Sam, Oisin, James and Theo	Fantastic girls - winning positions for our wonderful team. We are so proud of you

We are beginning to look at our plans for the Autumn term and are considering how we can increase sporting opportunities again. We would love parent, grandparent or other family member volunteers to come in at lunch times to help us organise further opportunities to play team sports across the school. Ideally we would like to offer football, netball, running and table tennis. If you are interested in volunteering either on a regular or ad hoc basis PLEASE DO LET ME KNOW. The more the merrier ...a little bit of help from lots of people would mean that we could offer even more to our children.

BBC2 500 words

Aslan class were challenged to enter BBC2's 500 words competition for their homework...they all did this. Two pupils, Isabella and Heidi, are through to stage 2 of the competition. This is quite amazing as there were 150,000 entries. Well done girls - you should feel really proud of yourselves. We LOVE reading & writing at SBS!

Social Media

We are very aware that some of our children have access to mobile phones - often their own. It can be difficult as a parent to manage the minefield of contemporary technology and the use particularly of social media by children. However, there is a wealth of information available to parents. Previously we have sent information home to parents of older children regarding Tic Tock but parents can gather on-going support from a range of websites including the NSPCC. Currently there is a page on their website about [Video chat, sharing and streaming apps](#). In order to support your children and for you to be able to talk honestly with your children about the benefits and risks of such technology, these websites are really worth looking at. Of course in school we continue with our programme of on-line safety so that all children leave us equipped with the skills and the knowledge to stay safe online but it is always helpful to reinforce these messages at home too.

Topic learning

We are continuing this term with some really exciting topic learning. Gruffalo class are learning with enormous enthusiasm about dinosaurs, Elmer and Paddington are off to Space...there has even been a crash landing (as I am sure you know) of a spaceship in the garden. Tulane and Shadow are exploring what it means to belong both geographically and personally, as well as grappling with some enormous issues of technology linked to their study of robots. Finally Aslan will start to learn about World War 2.

As always we are using high-quality literature as a vehicle for all of our learning, as well as integrating practical activities with written outcomes. All of our topic plans and home-learning projects for the term are available on the class pages of our website.

Friends AGM

Please support our Friends by attending the annual AGM and official opening of the play equipment prior to Sports Day. This is a great opportunity to find out what the Friends have been doing, share ideas and get involved with as little or as much as you would like. The support of the Friends provides ALL SBS children with a huge number of additional experiences and opportunities - it is really important to support them. More information to follow from the Friends.

School dinners

We would like to remind you that school dinners should be paid for in advance. For families who accumulate debt, an automatic letter is generated. We are working hard to keep our school dinner debt to a minimum. Please help us to achieve this.

Our Worship Value

This half term we will be looking at the value of 'Service' throughout all of Collective Worship. In the Bible, Jesus was known as the 'servant king' as his mission was to serve God and all the people he met through his teaching. Through worship we will consider what it means to 'serve' others; we will look for the unsung heroes in our world, learn about OBEs and consider how we might serve others. We will consider a meaning of 'service' to be keeping our eyes open to others and being considerate to others.

'There is more happiness in giving than receiving' Acts 20.35

Attendance

Thank you for your on-going support with attendance. Our whole school attendance rate is currently just above expected at 95.94% it is so important to maintain good attendance and punctuality for your child, please do come and see me if you have any concerns.

Hampshire County Council have recently changed their guidance to schools on Penalty notices and have updated their Code of Conduct. The new Code of Conduct and information for parents is available on our website. Please click on the 'Parents' tab and then choose 'Useful Links & Forms'. You will find the documents under 'Attendance'.

I look forward to seeing many of you this term. There is a lot going on, including some special community events, including our annual Quiz on Friday 10th May (the staff are planning to maintain their winning streak!) and the Summer fete on Saturday 15th June.

Please remember if you want to come to the quiz (this Friday!!) - you can come as an individual - there is no need to be in a team because you can join a table on the night. We would love to see as many of you as possible so do come along!

To book your tickets please visit the link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sbs-quiz-night-tickets-60720290022>

Wishing you all a sunny and happy summer term!

Anne Moir

Summer term dates

Dates for the summer term are already on our website - please check each month carefully.

Thursday 6th June - Sports Day - this will start at 11.45am this year. We will have a picnic lunch followed by an afternoon of sports.

20th June -Gruffalo visit the Wildlife Park and Year 6 go to Winchester Cathedral

11th July - Year 5 BIG DAY OUT and SLEEPOVER

18th July - Years 5 and 6 Production

19th and 22nd July - Year 5 bikeability

22nd July - End of Year Church Service

23rd July - Celebration Assembly

Name:

Name of child/ren:

_____ would be interested in helping with lunch time sports.

Please complete as appropriate:

I can come once a week on a _____

I can come once a month on a _____

I can come once a half term on a _____

Other: