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# SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

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### BOARD WALK

As mentioned by Mr Newbold, we now have our lovely Board Walk, situated at the back of the playground, completed and fenced off. Please may we ask that you do not allow your children to enter this area after school as it is unsupervised. Thank you for your support.



### TAG RUGBY MATCH

On Monday 16th November our TAG Rugby team played St. Wilfrid's.



Our Year 4 squad won 4:3 and our Years 5/6 squad lost 10:6. Mr Howell, one of the coaches, said what a lovely competitive session it was with excellent rugby!

St Wilfrid's commented that the kids were all great - competitive but respectful. They loved it! Very well done to all our team and thanks to our coaches.

## Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure, if you have been on the back playground this week, you will have noticed the new fence, trellising and benches being constructed alongside our bird hide. These are the finishing touches to what has been a major project over the last two years and will provide our children with worthwhile experiences in years to come. The area will provide a quiet area where children can sit, talk and relax, away from the hustle and bustle of the playground. It also provides another vantage point for observing life on our large pond. The planting around the boardwalk has been carefully considered and over the next few years will provide colour as well as habitats for various wildlife. A big thank you goes to our HSA for funding this initiative. Our next project, though somewhat smaller, involves the painting of an Amazonian rainforest mural with low climbing holds on the long wall opposite the bird hide. This will provide our children with even more fun and purposeful things to do during their break times. We hope to start this work in the coming months.

However, our improvements are not restricted to the outdoor area. We have had contractors in to look at completing our art/DT room which includes installing children sized sinks and dedicated storage space. Again, we expect to start this project very shortly.

We are constantly looking to improve what and how we do things and if you were able to spare any time to come into school as a volunteer we would welcome you.

*'When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it'* **Henry Ford**

In the meantime have a lovely weekend.

Mr P Newbold

### REGISTRATION - MORNING TIMES TO BE ADHERED TO

Reminder - Registration is open from 8:35am – 8:45am. Any pupil arriving between 8:45am and 8:55am will be recorded as 'late before the register closes'. After 8:55am any pupil arriving will be marked as 'late after registration closes - Unauthorised absence'. Ten or more unauthorised sessions could lead to a fixed penalty notice being issued by WSCC on behalf of the Education Welfare Service.

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## Year 4 Preston Manor Trip

*"My best part of Preston Manor was making the cookies. It was very fun. It was amazing it felt like you were a Victorian."*

Theo Thompson-Holt

*"My favourite part of Preston Manor was when I did ironing because I like heavy things."* Marco Bucciarelli

*"Preston Manor was very fun, especially when the lemonade exploded."* Charlie Laing

*"Preston Manor was great. We did activities which were really fun and the staff were excellent. They were strict but they were acting."* Rohan Naineni

*"My favourite place was Miss Rose's bedroom and I made her bed."* Tilly Swaine



## RAINBOW THEATRE - YEAR 5 (SHAKESPEARE)

*"It was really funny"* Ewan Georgeson

*"I learnt a lot from what they did, as well as having a lot of fun!"* Caitlin Bell

*"I enjoyed watching them entertain us with really funny acts from Shakespeare plays"* Ben Gibbons

*"I liked Will because he was very funny"* Bradley Preston



## RAINBOW THEATRE - YEAR 6 (MOSES)

*"It was so fun, they acted it out as if we were really there in Egypt."* Zack Lawrence

*"It was amazing as lots of us got to be actors too."* Emily Harris

*My favourite part was when the man made funny sounds to scare the birds away and scared the teachers!"* Katie Jolly





## Out of School Achieve-



Oscar John played in the Crowborough RFC Mini Festival for Burgess Hill Rugby team and was awarded this fantastic medal. His team came 3rd in the festival.

Very well done Oscar!

Jake Hopper was awarded 'Man of the Match' from his team - Southdown. He plays in goal and saved them all - nothing gets past Jake!



Five Southway boys, Marcus Roblin, Daniel John, Bobby Bishop, Harley Bishop and Harvey Baker, took part in the Crowborough RFC Mini Festival on Sunday 15th Nov. They played well in challenging conditions. Congratulations on winning the playoff.



Oliver Cooper achieved his Bronze Beaver award for camping out one night without his family and for taking up an activity over a six week period. He took up the piano which he is going to continue with as he loved it. Well done Oliver!



### Diary Dates:

#### November

23rd	Y3/4 mixed team Football Festival - St.Paul's	10.00-12.00
24th	Y2/Reception Parents Open Morning	9.00-10.00
25th	Y5/6 Athletics - Oathall	13.00-15.00
26th	Donation Day - Wear a Christmas Top	

#### December

1st	Y6 Height & Weight check with the school nurse	
4th	Class Churchill Assembly (Churchill parents welcome)	10.00-10.20
4th	HSA Advent Fayre	17.30-19.00
7th - 11th	Y6 Bikeability	
7th	Y4 Violin Concert	11.30-12.00
7th	Y3 Visiting Gattons Nativity	14.00-15.00
9th	Y3/4 Carol Concert time 09.30-10.15 & 18.00-19.00	
10th	Y5/6 Carol Concert time 13.30-14.15 & 18.00-19.00	
11th	Chartwells Christmas Lunch	
14th	Y5 Fab Finish	13.45-14.45
14th	Y6 Parents Invited to Classrooms to view work	14.30-15.15
14th - 18th	Y6 Bikeability	
17th	House Movie & Popcorn night	15.30-17.00
18th	Awards Assembly (Parents of selected pupils welcome)	10.00-10.20

21st Dec - 1st Jan CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)

#### January

4th	INSET DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED)
5th	Return to school



### BOOK CLUB - BEST BOOKS

On Tuesday 17th November, 9 children from Year 6, who are taking part in Burgess Hill Best Book Awards went to Oakmeeds to meet the outstanding author of "The Accidental Prime Minister", Tom McLaughlin.

Tom was very funny and easy to talk to. We discovered he was dyslexic but it didn't stop him from achieving his goals. He gave us some good advice and tips on how to write well eg.

You don't need to worry about spelling or handwriting, if you have a good story just go for it!

He made us feel confident in ourselves as writers.

We all came up with ideas of what we would do if we became Prime Minister, then voted for the best idea.

Emily, from Southway, was elected PM for the day for her amazing idea that it should be illegal for school to start before 11am!

We all feel really inspired after meeting Tom and have come back with a new perspective on writing. Thank you Tom!

Written by: Bethan, Emma, Catherine, Amelia, Anais, Chloe T, Mia, Emily B & Holly.



### Southway Christmas Dinner

will be on **Friday 11th December**. Children who normally have packed lunches, but wish to join us on this day for the Christmas meal, will need to order **online only** via their website [www.mealselector.co.uk](http://www.mealselector.co.uk) by

**Sunday 29th November** The cost is £2.25 (if you are entitled to Free School Meals your child's dinner will automatically be ordered)

**Roast Turkey with all the trimmings or Quorn Roast**

**Both served with Roast Potatoes, Peas and Carrots**

**Gingerbread Man**

**Fruit Juice or Water**

### New at Haywards Heath Music Centre

World Percussion Ensemble and Ukulele Beginners

Starting Saturday 21st November

Please apply via the website [westsussexmusic.co.uk](http://westsussexmusic.co.uk) by clicking Making Music/Music Centres. Free of charge for the Autumn Term 2015. 08452 082 182

### Year 3 Parents – E-Safety Information

Following our Year 3 Open Forum, information about our Virtual Learning Environment can be found on the school website under the 'Parent' tab/ Virtual Learning Environment. This area of the website will provide you with information on e-safety, useful links for e-safety for your child and information on the E-Schools Class Pages your child now has access to.



## GREEN FINGERED VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

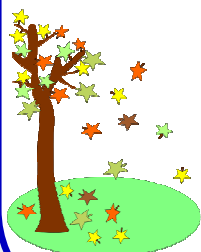
DO YOU HAVE ANY SPARE TIME THAT YOU COULD VOLUNTEER TO HELP MAINTAIN OUR FABULOUS OUTSIDE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT?

PERHAPS 1 - 2 HOURS PER WEEK OR 1 DAY A MONTH? HOWEVER YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMMIT TO EVERY WEEK, ANY HELP OFFERED WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED BY EVERYONE IN SCHOOL.

THIS WOULD BE A GREAT HELP TO US AND KEEP THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR CHILDREN IN THE BEST POSSIBLE SHAPE FOR THEM TO USE.

IF YOU FEEL YOU ARE ABLE TO SHARE YOUR TIME WITH US, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

ALL VOLUNTEERS WORKING IN SCHOOL WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A DISCLOSURE & BARRING SERVICE CHECK (DBS).



## HSA DONATION DAY - THURSDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

We hope you can support us by donating the following :

Unwanted gifts or as new purchases for a Gift Stall

Chocolate for the kids' favourite chocolate tombola

Bottles of wine

Bottles of Fizzy Pop/Juice of all shapes and sizes



In exchange you can come into school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November wearing a festive jumper/top (with your uniform), the more colourful the better.

All donations can be **brought to the ICT Suite**, by children, before school.

Please **do not send wine bottles** in with children, these can be brought to the school office. Also weather permitting look out for a donation table at the front gate



## Make Some Noise! Poster Competition

### Rules

The poster must refer to the 2015 theme 'Make some noise'

It should have a positive focus e.g. explaining how we can all help or what people can do if they have concerns

It must link to the RRS rights e.g. 'we all have the right to be heard'

The poster should be A4 and should be presented in a creative way (please do not use the computer)

If you need paper/resources to make the poster please ask adults in your class

All children entering must bring in £1 which will be donated to Childline. This should be given to your Class Teacher

The poster should be handed in to your class RRS representative

The deadline for entries is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November

The posters will be judged by the RRS team and the winning 3 posters will be displayed around the school. RRS children are not allowed to enter the competition.