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# **SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL**



# **Headteacher Message**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Did you know some species of shark need to keep swimming and never stop in order to breathe and therefore stay alive? This little known fact got me thinking about Southway and the constant improvements we have made and continue to make in order to ensure we don't stand still as a school. Some of these, taken on their own, might seem minor but when looked at as a whole amount to significant change. This year we have several projects we intend to undergo, two of which are already completed. The children now have properly designed permanent lunchbox storage which allows for a smoother and less fraught start and end to the school day. All classes also have new trays which now match the colour of their furniture. We currently in the process of having new carpet fitted at the front of the school which will hope will be the first part of a larger carpeting project. This is planned for October half term. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of our HSA we also intend to complete the sensory garden project started last year and consider the installation of a low climbing wall on the playground. Finally we are seeking approval from our governors for the purchase of a further 16 ipads and appropriate storage, which will be used to enhance learning. All of these improvements are intended to provide our children and staff with better facilities and to continue on the path of making Southway the best school in West Sussex.

"If you trust in yourself. . . and believe in your dreams. . . and follow your star. . . you'll still get beaten by people who spent their time working hard and learning things and weren't so lazy." Terry Pratchett,

Have a lovely weekend

Mr P Newbold

# **Virtual Learning Environment - VLE**

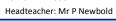
A reminder for all parents/carers.

Please ensure that you have logged into the VLE, via the school website, with the unique username and password provided to you. We would also urge you to download the App. We are communicating more and more via this platform, including updates and photos from the Y5/6 residentials. In addition we will be using this platform for parent evening bookings. It is therefore important that you are familiar with the VLE and have access to allow you to keep up-to-date with school events and trips. Thank you for your co-operation.

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- **♦ VLE**
- ♦ Y3 Town Day
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- ♦ Author visit to school
- ♦ Diary Dates
- ◆ Tiny Tekkers
- ♦ JK Theatre Arts
- ♦ Haywards Heath Harriers -**Hickstead Gallop**
- St Lawrence consultation event

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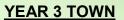




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## DAY

"I liked it when we went to the library and got the book read to us." **Daniel Collard** 

"I really liked the trip because we did a traffic survey and had to spot cars, lorries, vans and taxis!" **Ocean Riley** 

"We got to play in the park; me and Hayden got to go on the hamster whee!!" **Lucas Crabb** 

"I liked the town trail because I learnt more about Burgess Hill. We got to see lots of recreational areas, including: Fairfield rec, St. John's park, the library and more..!" Nas Zilanee



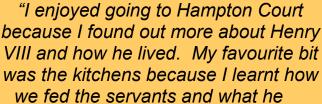






"I liked looking at the kitchens because I found it interesting that the lady that started Girl Guiding used to live

there!" Tilly Swaine



ate." Bethany Tyrrell

"I learnt so much more information that I didn't know before. My favourite part was the tour guide."

Ayden Salajee











# OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS



Charlie Wright celebrated his birthday with a tour of the Amex Stadium. He saw the pitch from high up, visited the museum and saw the training rooms - the home team room was really big! He really enjoyed himself.

Phoebe Awbery took part in the Burgess Hill Library summer challenge 'The Big Friendly Read'. She read six books, her favourite being: 'Our headteacher is a vampire rat!' She said this Pamela Butchart series is great.



# **Reading Volunteers Needed!**

If there are any parents / grandparents / friends who might be able to give up some time in an afternoon to help with reading in school please get in touch. You do not need to commit to every week, any help offered would be very much appreciated by everyone in school. We are holding our next induction for volunteers on Tuesday, 27th September and all volunteers working in school will be required to complete a **Disclosure & Barring Service check** (DBS). Please contact the school office either by telephone or email: admin@southwayjunior.co.uk Thank you!

## YEAR 3 ~ Six Weeks In

Thursday 6th October 08.45-10.00

The perfect opportunity for all new Y3 parents to come to school, meet the teachers and share your views with us.

- An opportunity to ask questions
- Briefing on eSchools & eSafety
- Information on Free School Meals
- Medical procedures for medication in school
- ◆ School Nurse Service
- ◆ SEN

A letter will be coming home next week for you to reserve your place.

# **Diary Dates:**

## September

26th School Photo orders due back 27th **HSA AGM at Southway** 15.30-16.00 29th Data Collection Sheets due back 30th **INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED** 

October 3rd - 7th Y6 France Residential 3rd - 4th Y5 Lodge Hill Residential Y3/4 Football Festival - St.Paul's 10.00-12.00 3rd 4th 13.30-15.00 Y3 - Mayor visit 5th Y3/4 Netball Festival - Downlands 09.15-11.00 12th Y4 Rainbow theatre - Victorians 13.00-15.00 13th Y3 Flu Vaccinations 13.30-14.30 13th Y4 Cross Country - Harlands 10.00-10.20 21st Awards Assembly 24th - 28th **HALF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSED** 31st **INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED** 

## November

1st

**RETURN TO SCHOOL** 

1st Y5 Rainbow theatre - Shakespeare 13.00-15.00 8th Y3 Drusillas Trip 9th 15.30-19.00 **Parent Consultations** 10th **Parent Consultations** 15.30-17.00 11th Rowling Assembly (Rowling parents welcome) 10.00-10.20 11th Service of Remembrance - House Captains to War Memorial

## **SECONDARY OPEN EVENINGS FOR Y7 2017**

THE BURGESS HILL ACADEMY - THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER @ 6.15PM (SOUTHWAY PRESENTATION @ 7.15PM)



DOWNLANDS - THURSDAY 6TH OCTOBER @

**ASTRA COLOUR PHOTO ORDERS** MUST BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL NO **LATER THAN MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER** ANY ORDERS AFTER THIS DATE WILL NEED TO BE SENT DIRECTLY TO ASTRA COLOUR AND MAY INCUR A SURCHARGE.

# Author, Jonathan Meres, visit to school Years 4, 5 and 6

Jonathan is the author of the very funny 'World of Norm' series, as well as books for younger children. After a short performance to the children Jonathan will be staying to sign books. You can either come along to **EINSTEIN** class at **3.15pm** to buy a book and meet him, or pre-order (forms already sent home) and send your child with the money on the day.



# New Classes Opening soon!! Details are on the website

www.tinytekkers.com

Tuesday 17:00 – 18:00 Girls Only Football Development

(5 – 10 year olds) Venue: Haywards Heath Football Club, Allen Road, RH163PT

- Wednesday 09:00-10:00 Toddler Multisport classes
   (18months 4 years) Venue: Scaynes Hill Millennium Centre, RH17 7PG
- Wednesday 18:00-19:00 Tekkers Football Development

(6 – 10 year olds) Venue: Oathall Community College, RH16 2AQ, 3g Artificial Pitch.

Friday 17:50 -19:20 Futsal Tekkers

(8-12 year olds) Venue: Oathall Community College, RH16 2AQ, Sports Hall

More details are available on our website so please check these out.

Prices vary across all sessions so please contact me for details and prices. Spaces are also limited in these classes so book in ASAP to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions then please let me know. Jordan@tinytekkers.com 07702433227

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## HAYWARDS HEATH HARRIERS: HICKSTEAD GALLOP (fun run) SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2016

Haywards Heath Harriers are holding their annual Open Cross-Country run at the All England Jumping Course, Hickstead, West Sussex.

The event includes races for children of all ages. Entry ages are based on school years, allowing class friends to run together:

- Year 4 and below 700m
- Years 5 & 6 1000m
- Under 16 1600m

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 Parents and over 16s are welcome to enter our senior race of 8km

All finishers in the year 4,5 & 6 races will receive a medal. Full facilities, including refreshments and first aid are available. The course is within the venue boundaries and fully marshalled.

We welcome runners of all abilities but regrettably, the course is unsuitable for wheelchairs.

For entry forms visit http://

www.haywardsheathharriers.co.uk/hhhevents.html





## OCTOBER HALF TERM -DRAMATIC COMBAT & DRAMA WORKSHOP

Dramatic Combat is an excellent tool for helping young people understand how to use physicality and practise using their bodies. This workshop will introduce students to fight choreography and unarmed combat skills used in theatre and film as well as the importance of storytelling and communications when in conflict. Fight director and performer Dan Styles is a BADC (British Academy of Dramatic Combat) trained stage combatant but before this he was a professional wrestler, leading workshops and entertaining the masses - see his bio here http:// www.badc.org.uk/memberdanstyles

This session will let you find your inner Captain America and Harley Quinn. Be prepared to get sweaty! Date: Friday 28th October 2016 Time: 10am - 3pm @ St Paul's

Catholic College, Burgess Hill
There will be 2 groups running at the
same time; 8-11yrs & 12yrs+
Cost: £30 per student / sibling rates
available

Early Bird discount 10% if booked before 2nd October 2016 Please email the team at JK on info@jktheatrearts.com

or call 07504 059640 to book your

www.burgesshillceallthroughschool.org

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# Burgess Hill Church of England All—Through School

## **Consultation Event**

27th September 2016 @ 6.30pm

Come and see us at an outstanding Church of England school St Lawrence CE Primary School, Hurstpierpoint.

The Diocese of Chichester Academy Trust is submitting a bid to the Department for Education to open an all-through school, for ages 4-16, in the 'Northern Arc' area of Burgess Hill opening in 2019.

Visit www.burgesshillceallthroughschool.org for more information on our educational vision and the proposal to bring a Church of England school to Burgess Hill. Have your say by completing the online survey, register interest and subscribe to future newsletters.

Burgess Hill Church of England All-through School
Learning with meaning and purpose:
to know God and shape the world.