

# SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

# **Headteacher Message**

Dear Parents and Carers,

A week or so ago there was a knock on my door and one of our lovely year five children, Caitlin Bell, came in. She had been sent to share her writing with me because the teacher had been so impressed by her efforts. So was I, to the extent that I wanted to share it with you too. Caitlin's 'voice' and personality really comes through and she can be very proud of herself. You will find it further on in the newsletter. This was yet another reminder to me about how talented our children are. I spent last Saturday morning, along with Miss Harman, at The Martlets supervising a group of Southway dancers. We were taking part in the annual Fair Trade Festival and I can honestly say we were brilliant! The girls danced with confidence in front of a large audience and they did us proud. It was also gratifying to see so many ex-Southway pupils there who were representing Oakmeeds. Miss Harman, who is a trained dance teacher, is now looking to start a school club which is very exciting. We would definitely like some boys there so if you have a budding John Travolta (sorry, I'm showing my age) at home then please do encourage them to join.

**Parent Governor** 

Vacancy.

We have a parent

governor

vacancy. If you would

like to apply, please

complete the

nomination form

attached and

return to school no

later than

9am Friday 6th

May.

Let the record show

that Paul Cartin

would like to be

re-elected

In the meantime have a lovely weekend Mr P Newbold

## **Contact Details**

PLEASE ENSURE YOU KEEP US UPDATED WITH ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS, CONTACT NUMBERS & E-MAIL ADDRESSES IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HOLD THE CORRECT DETAILS IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO CONTACT YOU IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. YEAR 6 PARENTS: IF YOUR CHILD IS OFFERED A SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE DIFFERENT TO THE ONE YOU ORIGINALLY REQUESTED, PLEASE ENSURE YOU LET THE OFFICE KNOW. THANK YOU

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# Year 3 Booth Museum

Year 3 visited the Booth Museum in Brighton this week where they were able to enrich their learning about the human skeleton.



The Booth Museum is all about bones, birds, butterflies and

fossils. Founded as a Victorian collector's private museum, the Booth Museum now brings natural history to life with interactive displays and 'hands on' activities.

"It was incredible seeing a skeleton of a Killer Whale - it was huge!" Matty Wren

"I really liked visiting the museum, we saw so many animals and skeletons and we were able to review everything we had seen at the end." Joshua Quinn



"My favourite part was looking through the microscope and seeing the bones really close up!" Harry Lantsbury

"I thought it was brilliant, I especially liked walking around by ourselves and we could draw sketches of the animals, it was fascinating!"

**Amy Pickford** 





# **Burgess Hill - Fairtrade Dance**

On Saturday, Southway School participated in the Burgess Hill Fairtrade festival of dance. A group of 7 girls learnt a musical theatre routine and had the opportunity to perform on stage at the Martlets theatre. They worked really hard to learn the routine in just two weeks and performed amazingly on the day! They used some of their acting skills as well

to pull off an outstanding performance to a packed audience! They also got chance to participate in a workshop held by Love Yourself all female dance crew at the end.

"We were chosen to dance in the Burgess Hill Fairtrade festival on Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup> April. We danced as a big group from our school. I really enjoyed being on stage and getting the chance to watch other fun dances." **Charlotte Smith** 

"I just like dance in general!" Amelie Sharp

"I liked dance because it was fun to learn as well as performing it." Madeline Brake

"I liked Saturday because there were lots of stage lights shining on us." Anais Harris

"I liked Saturday because the dances were good." Angel Bowen

"On Saturday, we went to a dance studio and we had the opportunity to dance on stage. It was amazing! I love dancing!" Stephanie Lloyd-Jones

Dancers: Charlotte Smith, Bethan Wright, Anais Harris, Stephanie Lloyd-Jones, Angel Bowen, Amelie Sharp and Maddy Brake.





Fraiser Purnell was awarded a Frisbee Throwing certificate at a recent Boys Brigade Camp. He managed to throw it the furthest.

Well done Fraiser!

Jasmine Barrie Ross & Leah McInerney-Morris won the league with the girl's Southdown Rovers team,

Jasmine plays in midfield and makes some great goals, whilst Leah is up front scoring some cracking goals. They were awarded certificates and a free ball.

Very well done girls!

Congratulations to four Southway boys who were part of the Burgess Hill Rugby Club's U11's who won first place in the Inaugural Seaford Festival on Sunday. These were Daniel John, Tyler Chapman, Harvey Baker and Marcus Roblin, here pictured with the winners cup.

Outstanding boys, well done!

Oscar John played in a tournament for Burgess Hill rugby at the weekend and his team (U8's) came first. The team were awarded this wonderful trophy and all players a medal.

Brilliant work Oscar!

Thomas Wallman was awarded 'man of the match' playing for Hurst Hornets last week.

Great achievement Thomas!

Toby Sutton passed both his Stage 6 & 7 swimming recently. For stage 6 he dove in and swam a full length of the pool under water. For stage 7 had had to perform 50m of different strokes; Butterfly, Back Stroke, Front Crawl & Breast Stroke. Brilliant Toby!



# **New Clubs at Southway!**

Children have been told about two new clubs being introduced at Southway after school on a Tuesday, from Tuesday 3rd May. Crawley Town Community Foundation will be delivering a basketball and hockey club from 3.20 pm - 4.20 pm. The cost of the 10 week courses are £17.50 (cheques payable to Crawley Town Community Foundation). Please note places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

If your child is interested, the club's registration form should be completed CLEARLY MARKED BASKETBALL OR HOCKEY - copies are available on the school website under the Parent tab / Clubs.



#### Queen's Birthday - Beacon (Choir)

Our choir represented Southway at the 'Lighting of the Beacon' to celebrate the Queens birthday last week. They were joined by children from other local schools. They sang: Sing, Congratulations, Happy Birthday & The National Anthem

"We enjoyed it because it sounded quite brilliant! We enjoyed singing with pupils from other schools. The mayor gave a lovely speech and then lit the Beacon "

### **Isobel Thomas & Poppy Carter**

Liz Clark from the town council said:

"I just wanted to say a personal thank you to you and your children for taking part at last night's Beacon event to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. What you and your children achieved in such a short period of time was amazing and they sang beautifully. You must be very proud of them. I know those watching thoroughly enjoyed listening to them. And of course not forgetting the parents whose support we could not do without."







## A wonderful example of Year 5 writing

God	່ຮ	W	orl	d
by	Cai	tlin L	Bell	

God stood in the darkness in great height, And said, "My goodness, let there be light!" Now that's better, it's all bright, Light can be day, Dark can be night,

It needs something more, God thought on day two, the created the oceans wide and the sky blue, And watched the fluffy white clouds go by, the smiled with pride and admired his work,

By the third day God thought it was a mess, So he rolled back the waters and made the land look its best, The mountains and hills were born, The flowers bloomed then closed at dawn,

> Buttercups glimmered and shone in the sun, Then God's head spun, "The dark is too black it needs some light!" So he carefully placed the moon and stars,

On the fifth day, God had a plan, the made sea and river ereatures, And the birds merrily, high above fly, And the dolphins leap in and out and wave good bye,

The day had come, The land animals were born, But then God did something special, The first humans were born, they were called, Adam and Eve,

> The seventh day had come, Gods job was done, And he smiled and said, "Well done".

#### **Diary Dates**:

May				
2nd	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED			
4th	Y4 Southdown Observatory Visit			
6th	Einstein Assembly (Einstein parents welcome)	10.00-10.20		
	3th May Y6 SATS WEEK			
11th	HSA Bag2School home - returned today in to the DT Ro			
12th	Y4/5 Kwik Cricket Festival - Ansty	13.00-17.00		
13th	Y6 Stone Age Workshop - Sir Teachalot			
16th	Y3 PC Broad - General Safety/Being Nice/Stranger Dang	er		
16th	Y6 Chessington Trip			
17th	Y4 PC Broad - Safety/Choices/Internet			
18th 19th	Y3/4 SRE Parent DVD Viewing 15.30-16.30			
19th 20th	Leavers Photos Mandela Assembly (Mandela parents welcome) 10.00-10.20			
20th	Mandela Assembly (Mandela parents welcome) 10.00-10.20 Y6 Magistrates Visit			
26th	Y5/6 Kwik Cricket Festival - Sidney West 13.00-17.00			
20th	Awards Assembly (Parents of selected pupils welcome)			
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30th	BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED			
31st N	1ay - 3rd June HALF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSED			
<u>June</u>				
6th	INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED			
7th	RETURN TO SCHOOL			
7th	Y2 Eagles - Try on Uniform	15.15-16.15		
8th	Y2 Owls - Try on Uniform	15.15-16.15		
9th	Y2 Puffins - Try on Uniform	15.15-16.15		
13th	Y5 PC Broad - Safety / Enhanced Road Safety			
15th	Y6 Overstrand Trip Meeting	15.30-16.30		
16th	Y6 PC Broad - Harmful Substances			
17th	Shakespeare Assembly (Shakespeare parents welcome)	10.00-10.20		
20th	Houses of Parliament Visit - Youth Councillors			
20th	Y3 Splats visit - Treasure Island			
21st	Y5 Exploring Nature with Mark Chorley			
22nd	Area Sports afternoon at Oakmeeds time TBC			
22nd	Youth Council Meeting	13.45-14.45		
24th	HSA Disco for Y3/4/5	17.30-18.30		
25th	Gattons Summer Fayre			
29th 30th	0	ernoon - <b>time TBC</b> afternoon		
30th	Sports Day Oakmeeds parent eve for Y6	alternoon		
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	d HSA Summer Fayre			
4th	Y6 Leavers Production 13.30-15.00 & 18.00-19.30			
4th	Warden Park parent eve for Y6			
5th	Gattons Sports Day			
5th	Y6 Leavers Production 18.00-19.30			
6th	Y2 Transfer Morning			
7th	Reserve Sports Day			
7th	Oathall parents eve for Y6			
8th	France Trip - Final Payment Due			
8th	HSA Y6 Leavers Disco	18.00-19.00		
11th - 1	15th Y6 Residential Trip - Overstrand			
12TH	Gattons reserve sports day			
14th	Y5 Ardingly Trip			
19th	Y5 Fab Finish	13.15-15.15		
21st	Awards Assembly (Parents of selected pupils welcome)	10.00-10.20		
21st	House Winners - Movie & Popcorn Night	15.30-17.00		
22nd	Y6 Leavers Assembly (children only)	10.45-11.45		
25th	SUMMER BREAK STARTS			
<u>Septen</u> 5+b				
5th 6th	INSET DAY RETURN TO SCHOOL			
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#### **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. All volunteers working in school will be required to complete a Disclosure & Barring Service check (DBS). Please contact the school office either by telephone 01444 233824 or email : admin@southwayjunior.co.uk

#### **ENSEMBLE REZA FAMILY CONCERTS**

Come and join us for a musical tour around the world! Saturday 7th May 3-5.30pm

The King's Church, Burgess Hill The afternoon will include:

Music performed by the brilliant Ensemble Reza

♦ 'Have a go' sessions on a range of instruments for all ages

♦ Introduction to the inspirational Kindermusik programme

 $\blacklozenge$  Refreshments including afternoon tea and cakes

♦ Soft play area for the very young
Adults £10, children (5-18) £5
Family ticket (2 adults, 2 children) £28
Family ticket (2 adults, 3 children) £32
Tickets from: Carousel Music (Haywards Heath),
Wealdon Stores (Cuckfield), SWALK (Lindfield), The
King's Church (Burgess Hill) and online:
www.ensemblereza.com



Year 5 (current year 4) residential to Lodge Hill 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016

The latest payment of  $\pounds 20$  was due on 21/04/16.

Remember you can spread your payments over the next couple of months. Full and final payment must be made by 20/06/16. If you have any concerns regarding payment please contact our **Business Manager**