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SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

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THANK YOU TO ALL
THE PARENTS,
CARERS AND
CHILDREN FOR

YOUR KIND CARDS
AND PRESENTS
RECEIVED FOR
THE CHRISTMAS
FESTIVITIES.



**THEY WERE VERY MUCH
APPRECIATED.**

Year 3 Butser Farm Trip.

Thank you to all those that have paid for this educational and enjoyable trip. If you haven't had a chance to pay please do so **urgently** or if you feel you are unable to pay please contact the school to discuss whether some suitable arrangements can be made.

**Without the support of
parents/carers this trip will
have to be cancelled.**

Thank you.

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,
I hope you enjoyed a lovely Christmas break and found time to be with family and friends. It is great to see all of the children back smiling, full of stories and looking smart. The staff have planned some exciting learning opportunities for this term including a year 3 trip to Butser farm, a year 4 trip to a Hindu Temple, a visit from the RNLI in year 5 and a visit to a Mosque in year 6. The classrooms and corridors are looking amazing thanks to the hard work and dedication of our staff, many of whom came in during their holidays to prepare.

Today we are hosting the teaching staff from a nearby school for the morning. The purpose of this visit is for them to see the wonderful teaching practice and learning that goes on at Southway. Southway is also hosting the Headteachers and maths subject leaders of many of the junior schools in West Sussex this term. Again, this is to share good practice and ideas. We are already attracting attention for the way we teach maths and provide feedback to children and I am delighted that the work of the school is being recognised further afield.

Last term myself and the Headteacher of a local school visited another Burgess Hill school to carry out a mini 'inspection', with the focus being on the quality of teaching and learning. We spent all day there, looked at the school's own documentation, spoke to staff and children and spent a lot of time in classrooms. We were able to highlight the strengths we saw and confirm the school's own view of itself as well as offer some suggestions for improvement. We then provided the Headteacher with a written report which was subsequently shared with their governing body. This term we will repeat this process in another school and in summer Southway will be 'inspected'. This peer to peer evaluation is invaluable, being both supportive but also challenging. We are not afraid of criticism when it offers us a way forward. It is certainly the way Southway will continue to improve. Our philosophy is to be 'inward facing but outward looking'.
'A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable, but more useful than a life spent doing nothing.'

George Bernard Shaw

Have a lovely weekend
Mr P Newbold

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Does your creativity flow into the weekend? Then come and join our NEW SATURDAY CLUB

Inkpots writing workshops is trying a new **Saturday Club** to keep your creativity flowing. We have two dates available **so come and join us...**

Where: Southway Junior School RH15 9SU
Dates: 9 January and 23 January 2016
Time: 2pm - 3.30pm
Price: £7.00



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As **InkPots** has proved so popular and the Thursday after school club is full, Gill has set up an additional club to run on Wednesday lunchtimes 12.30-1.10, starting next week 13/01/16. If you are interested in joining this additional club please contact Gill directly from the contact details below.

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Year 6 Survival Day

"I enjoyed the whole day because we did lots of things we don't normally do and it's good to try new things." **Zoe Thomas**

"It was a really good day because it was fun making shelters and working in a team." **Jude Richards**

"I enjoyed shelter building because we made our own designs without the teacher telling us what to do!" **Bobby Bishop**

"The best part of the day was orienteering because we got muddy!" **Leon Kennard**

"I really liked orienteering because the riddles were fun to solve and we had to work with people we don't normally work with." **Rebecca Collier**

"I liked shelter building because you only had some of the things you needed and had to find everything else." **Sian Weston**





Year 3

Dali - Tuesday pm / Wednesday am
Picasso - Tuesday pm / Friday pm
Turner - Thursday am / Friday pm

Year 5

Curie - Tuesday pm / Thursday pm
Einstein - Thursday am / Friday pm
Hawking - Monday pm / Thursday am

Year 4

Dickens - Monday pm / Thursday pm
Rowling - Monday pm / Wednesday pm
Shakespeare - Monday pm / Thursday pm

Year 6

Churchill - Wednesday pm / Friday pm
Mandela - Wednesday pm (double PE)
Pankhurst - Tuesday pm / Thursday pm

Diary Dates:

January

18th	Y4 Parents meeting - Lodge Hill	15.30-16.30
19th	Y3 Butser Farm Trip	
20th	Youth Council Meeting	13.45-14.45
22nd	Class Dickens Assembly (Dickens parents welcome)	10.00-10.20
27th	Gymnastics competition at St. Paul's	12.00-14.00
28th	Y4 Hindu Temple Trip	09.00-12.00

February

3rd	Y5/6 Basketball at Oakmeeds TBC	
5th	Y6 Amex Stadium Trip for Maths TBC	
5th	Class Dali Assembly (Dali parents welcome)	10.00-10.20
9th	Y5 RNLI Visit	13.30-14.30
11th	Locality Orchestra Morning at St. Pauls	09.00-12.00
11th	HSA Cake Sale	15.00-16.00
12th	Awards Assembly (Parents of selected pupils welcome)	10.00-10.20

15th - 19th HALF TERM (SCHOOL CLOSED)

22nd	Y3 Rainbow Theatre Visit - Romans	
26th	Y5 Ropes & Knots - visit by Mark Chorley	
29th Feb - 4th Mar	BOOK WEEK	
29th	Girls football match v St. Wilfrid's (Home) TBC	15.30-16.30

March

1st	Boys football match v London Mead (Away)	15.30-17.00
1st	Choral Competition - Burgess Hill District Lions	18.30-20.00
2nd	Parent Consultations	
3rd	Parent Consultations	
3rd	WORLD BOOK DAY	
4th	Class Pankhurst Assembly (Pankhurst parents welcome)	10.00-10.20
4th	Y5/6 Hi-5 Netball (A team) tournament at St Lawrence TBC	13.00-15.00



GATTONS INFANT SCHOOL

Temporary Casual Cleaner
required to cover for staff
absence – immediate start

Grade 1 £7.84-£7.97 per hour

Hours: 3 pm – 6 pm Monday to Friday

Please contact the school office
for further details:

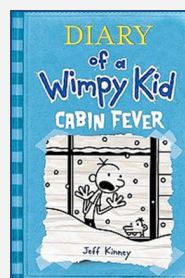
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or email office@thegattons.co.uk

CAREFUL DRIVING AROUND SCHOOL

A child was narrowly missed being hit by a car after school on Thursday.

Please take care when driving near the school. Consider parking away from the area to avoid congestion.



BOOK CLUB REVIEW

Diary of a Wimpy Kid:
Cabin Fever
by Jeff Kinney

Reviewed by: Anais Harris & Bethan Wright

This book will draw you in like no other as it's not hard going, but still enjoyable.

Gregg, the main character, dreads the thought of spending any quality time with his family, he'd much rather stay in and play video games with his bet friend Rowley. When he is forced to go on a snowy adventure with no access to video games whatsoever he is forced to take immediate action. Gregg, our favourite character, faces a load of obstacles in the way, but will he survive his cabin fever?

We rate this book 10/10 for its amazing quality writing!

Following our Year 5 visit from Fire & Rescue we received this lovely letter of thanks for the kind silver coin donations made on the day:

'Thank you very much for the kind donation £31.60 raised by Southway Junior School in Burgess Hill.



All donations are gratefully received to assist the Charity in providing Recuperation and Rehabilitation services for serving and retired members of the Fire Fighting community.'