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SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

NEWSLETTER



Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week I told you that we had been visited by two serving West Sussex Headteachers, one of whom is currently training to become an Ofsted registered inspector. The purpose of the visit was to evaluate the school's current view of itself and to offer advice in areas considered to need improvement or further development. I am delighted to be able to share the main findings with you.

*'There are **good systems and processes in place** and this is evident in all classrooms.*

*There was a **good range of planned learning opportunities** across the school. Some particularly **strong and effective teaching in maths** was seen throughout the visit and in some classes teachers used modelling and focused questioning to develop and challenge pupils' responses.*

*In the classes that we visited and the lessons that were observed, there was evidence that **learning was differentiated**.*

*The **learning environments were inviting** and scaffolded learning in classes across the school. There are some good examples of reading corners and **the school has some exemplary practice to share**.*

***Learning behaviours were consistently good across the school**. The large majority of children across the school were engaged and enthusiastic.*

*There was **very good evidence of marking and feedback in books**. This was particularly true across most of the Key Stage. Where children were provided with specific feedback and next steps for their learning, children responded well.*

*Standards and **expectation of presentation in books was high** across the school. Topic work was very well presented in topic books and on displays through the school.*

***Teaching assistants supported children's learning well**; they were well briefed and used questioning effectively.'*

Behaviour and Ethos

*Based on the evidence gathered during the day, **we agree with the school's self-evaluation of strongly good to outstanding in this category**.*

*It was evident from the day that **expectations of children's behaviour were high**. Children were very polite and demonstrated very **positive attitudes to learning**. In all classes visited, **children were keen to talk about their work and were clearly proud of what they had achieved**. There were very good relationships between staff and pupils.'*

I am pleased to note that there were no areas that were considered in any way a cause for concern and the report itself agrees with the school's own view of itself.

*"Therefore do not deceive yourself! Of all deceivers fear most yourself!" — **Søren Kierkegaard***

In the meantime, have a lovely weekend Mr P Newbold

**GUESS HOW MANY BALLOONS IN
THE MINI FROM THE SUMMER FAYRE
WAS WON BY ABBEY TROTTER.
THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 97
BALLOONS IN MR BLANCHARD'S
MINI
WELL DONE ABBEY!**



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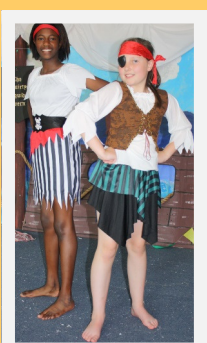
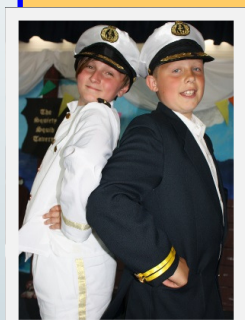
Year 6 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' Performance

Our Year 6 pupils put on a fantastic show this week. Parents were rewarded with some truly great performances.

Parents commented:

"Thank you for the amazing year 6 show that the children performed this week! The children and all the teachers concerned worked so hard and really did put on a performance to remember. Really really great performance and a lovely memory for the Year 6's to keep!"

"A huge congratulations to all the year 6 pupils and teachers for a fantastic performance last night. My husband and I thoroughly enjoyed it. It was really entertaining and it made us laugh and yes I admit it, a few tears listening to the beautiful singing of Emily. Well done everyone- you put in a lot of hard work and we loved it Very proud of you all!"



SPORTS DAY - THURSDAY 7TH JULY

Despite the intermittent rain our sports day went ahead with Cliff coming out as our overall winners. Everyone put in a great deal of effort and much fun was had by all.

Thank you to Mrs Peiris for organising this event and to all the staff members that contributed to helping the afternoon run smoothly. Also a big thank you to all you parents, we know your children love to see you in the crowd supporting them!

"I thought I couldn't do it but hand ball was really fun and I enjoyed it a lot and my team won!" Amy Pickford

"I can't believe I came first!" Josh Quinn

"I had lots of fun!" Harvey Johnson

"The long jump looked the most exciting event; Hand ball got the loudest cheer; Sprint was very fast, especially the girls!" Hannah Sargeant



Out of School Achievements



Congratulations to **Matty Wren** for achieving his 50M in swimming. This is a great skill to have.

Abigail Thomas has been awarded Club Champion for her year group (Y3) at Hurstpierpoint Gymnastics Club by passing the highest number of agilities. She has also achieved her level 2 British Gymnastics



HOUSE & SPORTS CAPTAINS 2016/17

Well done to the following children for being voted in to represent their houses next year.

BEACON

House Captains: Caitlin Bell / Sam Dean

Sports Captains: Loretta D'Alessio / Ewan Georgeson

HILL

House Captains: Eva Kerr / Thomas Wallman

Sports Captains: Jasmine Ross / Ben Bamford



DYKE

House Captains: Gemma Chatfield / Joseph Roffey

Sports Captains: Milly Cooke / Arron Oliver

CLIFF

House Captains: Jessica Divall / Josh Dadswell

Sports Captains: Leah McInerney-Morris / Billy McInerney-Morris

Diary Dates:

July

8th	France 2016 Trip - Final Payment Due	
8th	HSA Y6 Leavers Disco	17.30-19.30
11th - 15th	Y6 Residential Trip - Overstrand	
11th	Y4 Violin Concert (Parent's invited)	11.15-11.45
11th	Area Sports afternoon at Oakmeeds	13.00-15.00
12th	Gattons sports day	
14th	Y5 Ardingly Trip	
18th	Y3 Parents invited to share childrens work	14.15-15.15
19th	Y5 Fab Finish - Greek Day (Parent's invited)	13.30-14.45
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 (Y6 Parents only)	10.45-11.45

25th SUMMER BREAK STARTS

September

5th	INSET DAY	
6th	RETURN TO SCHOOL	
12th	Y6 Curriculum Meeting for parents	15.30-16.00
12th	Y6 French Trip (October 2016) Meeting (parents of current Y5)	16.00-16.30
13th	Y5 Curriculum Meeting for parents	15.30-16.00
13th	Y5 Lodge Hill Meeting (Y5 Parents)	16.00-16.30
14th	School Photos	
15th	Y4 Victorian Town Trail	
15th	Y4 Curriculum Meeting for parents	15.30-16.30
16th	Y3 Curriculum Meeting for parents	15.30-16.30
19th - 23rd	Harvest Festival donations	
20th	Y3 Burgess Hill Town Tour	09.00-12.00
21st	Y5 Hampton Court Trip	

LOST & FOUND FROM SPORTS DAY



WE HAVE SOME SUNGLASSES, A GLASSES CASE, AND SOME PIRITON PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU THINK THESE ITEMS MAY BELONG TO YOU. THANKS



INKPOTS ARE RUNNING A MINI ON-LINE COURSE DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

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Summer Programme

**July - September
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Martlets Shopping Centre Search for a Star



This is an annual talent competition now in its third year with a prize of £350 for the winner. This year it's happening on **16th July 10am-2pm** and will be hosted by Hayley from the More FM breakfast show.

If you would like to get involved, you will need to supply the following details by **12th July** and be accompanied by a parent/guardian on the day:

Name:

Age:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Type of performance (singer, guitarist, magician, actor etc):

Song (if applicable):

Backing track required:

jason@themartletsshoppingcentre.co.uk

*Is your child about to start secondary school?
How are you feeling about this transitional time in their life?
What are your hopes and dreams for their future?*

TAKE PART IN A NEW DOCUMENTARY SERIES

The makers of a landmark documentary series would love to hear from families with children from across the UK.

This brand new, feature-length documentary series for Sky will tell the story of six families over five years of their lives; a snapshot of our families' dreams, ambitions and the journeys that they go on.

We want to celebrate and embrace the universal experiences of family life, capturing your special moments – children growing up, entering their teenage years and developing into young adults.

Where could life take you and your children over the next five years?

We would love hear your story. To find out more, please get in touch with the team:

E: family@littlegem.tv

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Please note: If you are under 18 we will need consent from your parent/guardian before speaking to you in detail. There is no commitment to take part at this initial enquiry stage.

