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SOUTHWAY JUNIOR SCHOOL

LEARNING AND ACHIEVING TOGETHER

REWSLETTER



Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers.

I would like to share a piece of writing that I came across in a year 6 classroom this week. I had popped in to the class to see what they were doing and the teacher, quite rightly, insisted that I listen to this piece in particular.

'The weather changed suddenly. A brutal blizzard hit making it a harder journey than it already was. Simpson, unluckily, fell and received a severe fracture in his leg. Having to think quickly Yates decided to tie their two ropes. Short and slow progress was made and Joe was left hanging. Simpson was quoted as saying, 'I had to do it, there was no other way. If I had not cut the rope we would have both died.'

This writing, from Lily-Mae, was part of learning how to write newspaper articles and the conventions needed. I am sure you will agree that this writing is impressive but Lily Mae was one of many children who had written wonderfully and with a real 'voice'.

The teacher feedback was 'Fantastic reporting Lily-Mae; a future job?!' I agree.

Our children are a credit to the school. You will see that we have started to include some homework pieces and this week's belong to some of our year 6 children. I am so proud of the standards Southway is reaching. We are continuing to improve what we do and I don't suppose we will ever be satisfied. On a separate theme please do take note of the date for our GPS (Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation) workshops in March. Our Maths meeting last term had a fantastic turnout from parents and it would be great to see this again.

'It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop.' **Confucius** Have a lovely weekend Mr P Newbold

Dear parents and carers,

Following our successful maths evening which we held back in Autumn Term, we would like to offer you the opportunity to attend a **Grammar, Punctuation and \$pelling** (GPS) workshop.

Since the recent change to the National Curriculum, the government has put a greater emphasis on GPS and the expectations for all children, across all year groups has risen.

We would like to invite you to gain an insight into the new curriculum, explain the latest vocabulary that your children will learn, and share ideas of how you can help at home.

There will be two opportunities to come along. We are offering childcare for the first workshop.

Date: Wednesday, 16th March, 2016 **Time:** 3.30 – 4.30pm and 5.30 – 6.30pm



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YEAR 4 HINDU TEMPLE TRIP

"The temple trip was amazing because I got to see what Hindu's believe and how they pray." **Ayden Salajee**





"I was surprised by how many Gods they have! I found it fascinating." Matt Walker

"I really enjoyed the school trip as I learnt loads of facts. I also enjoyed meditating and yoga, which I found really relaxing." Luca Litchfield

"I found the praying exciting and different."

Ethan Gibson-Ford



"I really enjoyed the yoga, it was very relaxing! I thought that ringing bells was very fun because they made a lovely sound. The beautiful music was soft and relaxing!" Isabelle Green

"I really liked the Hindu Temple because you get to meet lots of lovely people. My favourite part of the Hindu Temple was when we got to ring the bell!" Robyn Preece







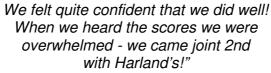
GYMNASTICS COMPETITION AT ST.PAUL'S

Katie Jolly & Madeline Brake write...

"As the team walked in we had mixed emotions but once we saw the layout we weren't as nervous as we were before we arrived.

At first the music in the background was a bit off-putting but when we started we hardly noticed it was playing.





Very well done to our gymnastics team:
Katie Jolly, Madeline Brake,
Lyla Lawrence, Bethan Wright,
Angel Bowen, Jade Schofiled and
Rebecca Hide.





You represented Southway brilliantly showing off your gymnastic skills.



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Out of School Achievements

Bethany Young achieved 3rd place out of 10 in a recent gymkhana. Bethany and her horse, Toffee, performed several jumps and trotting.

Well done Bethany!



Ayden Salajee was awarded his Grade 1 certificate for Piano. He demonstrated his listening skills for various melodies and played three pieces including Calypso Joe and Aviate. Very well done!



Lexi Smith, Imogen Coxshaw, Jacey McNaboe, Bethany Tyrrell & Izzy McIntosh played in a recent girls football tournament for Southdown Rovers and came first. They won all their matches and are going on to represent Sussex. They all performed great tackles with Lexi & Jaycee scoring goals. Keep us posted girls!

Diary Dates:

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<u>February</u>		
3rd	Y5/6 Basketball at Oakmeeds	13.00-15.00
4th	Y5/6 Netball away St.Lawrence	15.30-17.00
5th	Class Dali Assembly (Dali parents welcome)	10.00-10.20
9th	Book club - Author visit to Oakmeeds (book club pupils)	12.15-15.15
9th	Y5 RNLI Visit	13.30-14.30
9th	HSA Cake Sale	15.00-16.00
11th	Locality Orchestra Morning at St. Pauls	09.00-12.00
12th	Awards Assembly (Parents of selected pupils welcome)	10.00-10.20
15th - 1	9th HALF TERM (SCHOOL CLOSED)	
22nd	Y3 Rainbow Theatre Visit - Romans	10.20-12.20
26th	Y5 Ropes & Knots - visit by Mark Chorley	
26th	Y6 Amex Stadium Trip for Maths	
29th Fe	b - 4th Mar BOOK WEEK	
<u>March</u>		
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	h Y5/6 Hi-5 Netball (A team) tournament at St Lawrence TBC 13.00-15.00	
8th	Boys football match v London Meed (Away)	15.30-17.00
9th	Youth Council Meeting	13.45-14.45
11th	Picasso Assembly (Picasso parents welcome)	10.00-10.20
11th	Y5/6 Hi-5 Netball (B team) tournament at St Lawrence TE	SC 13.00-15.00
11th - 1	6th TRAVELLING BOOK FAIR	15.00-16.00
14th	Girls Football Match v St. Wilfrid's (Home)	15.30-16.30
15th	Y5 Seven Sisters Trip	
15th	Y6 Climbing Wall	
16th	Parent Workshop 15.30-16.30 8	§ 15.30-18.30
17th	Y5/6 Boys Football v St.Wilfrid's TBC	13.00-15.00
19th	HSA Bingo	TIME TBC
21st	Y5 Shipwreck day - visit by Mark Chorley	
21st	Y6 (Autumn Term 2016) French Trip Meeting	15.30-16.00
22nd	Y5/6 Girls football v Birchwood Grove TBC	15.30-17.30
23rd	House Movie & Popcorn night	15.30-17.00
24th	Awards Assembly (Parents of selected pupils welcome)	10.00-10.20
25th March - 8th April EASTER HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED		
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<u>April</u>

11th

15th

16th

RETURN TO SCHOOL

HSA Car Boot Sale TBC

Y6 Overstrand - FINAL PAYMENT DUE

YOUNG CARERS FUN AFTERNOON

A young carer is someone who is living with a person who has an illness, disability, mental health issues or drug and alcohol problems.

12pm - 4pm Tuesday 16th February

Fairfield Community Centre, Western Road

For ages 6-11 years

ALL FREE!!!

Games, Fun activities, Craft & lots more.

Lunch & Refreshments + Transport available

To book your place or get more information contact Jen on 01444 238207 (9am - 3pm) or email jennifer@burgesshill.gov.uk

Yvonne Newbold



Author of

'The Special Parents Handbook' SEND alliance

Presents

Coping with Chaos!

A workshop for parent of children with special needs or disabilities

Tuesday 15th March 09.30 - 12.00am

at

Woodlands Meed School.

Followed by lunch and a Relaxation Workshop

12.45 - 2.15pm

FREE but limited space - please book by emailing:

sendalliance@woodlandsmeed.co.uk

Supporting children with special educational needs or disabilities

BOOK CLUB REVIEW 'Artimes Fowl the Arctic Incident' By Eon Colfer

Reviewed by: Emma Hunt & Chloe Tyrrell

This action packed book is full of adventure and the unknown impossibilities. We would recommend you read the previous Artimes

> Fowl books in the series. This fantastic book is suitable for ages 9 to 12 years old. If you enjoy emotive reads that create an impact on the reader, then this is the best book for you. In this amazing book it is guaranteed that you will

> become very attached to your favourite characters. As Holly, Artemis, Butler and Briar journey to solve the mystery of the class A human power resources.

> > We would rate this book 5/5.

BRIGHTON SCIENCE FESTIVAL February 2 - 28 2016

BRIGHT SPARKS



Saturday 13th and **Sunday 14th February**

Two packed days of demos from experts and hands-on activities for 7-13 year olds and parents.

10.00am - 5.00pm

HANDS ON HALF TERM Monday 15th - 21st February

A whole week of activities such as: Mystery at Frankenstein Castle, Algodoodle, Bubbleology, **Jaws N Claws** And much, much more......





Miss Bailey quotes: "Year 6's homework was to research a mountain or mountain range. We have been really impressed with the creativity, standard of presentation and their independent choice of presenting their newly acquired knowledge!"

The fabulous art work is proudly displayed in the Year 6 corridors.









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