



Southway Junior School

Newsletter

Learning and Achieving Together

March 2024



Dear families,

As we step into the month of March, I am filled with a sense of optimism and enthusiasm for the wonderful opportunities and experiences that lie ahead for the children of Southway Junior School. It has been a great privilege to become part of your journey during this term and I am so impressed with the progress and achievements of the children, even in this short period.

I would like to extend my gratitude to all the families for your support for your children's education. This was very clear in the parent surveys, which I have already shared with Governors. Your involvement plays a crucial role in fostering a positive learning environment, whether through supporting the teachers, helping your child with homework, or simply taking an interest in what is going on in the classroom, through talking to your children about their day. I will send out some more detailed information in due course, but I would like to emphasise that your views, and that of your children, in the student surveys, are important and have been listened to. While there are good reasons why some views cannot be acted upon, rest assured that some changes have already been made as a result of your voice being heard. I will, of course, share the information with Mrs Smith, new Headteacher, to support her in making your wonderful school even better.

Looking ahead, March promises to be a month filled with exciting learning opportunities and activities. From World Book Day celebrations to sports events and assemblies, there is something for everyone to look forward to. These experiences not only enrich our curriculum but also instil a love for learning and exploration that will last a lifetime.

Thank you once again for your continued support, and here's to a fantastic month ahead!

Warm regards,

Sharon Bondonno, Interim Headteacher

March Dates for your Diary

Mon 4th – Author Nadia Shireen visiting Y3/Y4
Thurs 7th – World Book Day- Dress as a Book Character
Friday 8th – Hawking Class Assembly at 10am
Weds 13th – Netball B Team Tournament at Downlands
Fri 15th – Red Nose Day Fundraising & Cake Sale
Tues 19th - Parent Consultations Kahlo Class only 3.30-5.30
Weds 20th – Y3-Y5 Parent Consultations 3.30-7pm (Except Kahlo Class)
Thurs 21st – Rocksteady Concerts to Parents (pm)
Thurs 21st - Y3-Y5 Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30pm
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Fri 22nd – Picasso Class Assembly from 10am

Noticeboard

PARKING

Please be considerate to our neighbours when parking near the school & do not block people's driveways. Please also note that it is illegal to park on the zigzag lines next to the school between 8am & 5pm, even if you have a blue badge.

PE KITS

Please be reminded that these should be in school every day & must include pair of plimsolls or trainers. If your child wears tights to school, please include a spare pair of socks in their PE kit for them to change into for PE lessons.
Thank you.



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Achievements



Felix from Kahlo Class was awarded the Chief Scout's Bronze Award from Beavers & the Player of the Week trophy from BHRFC recently.



Olivia from Einstein Class has been awarded certificates for excelling in her Modern & Tap dancing exams.

Harper-Rose from Turner Class won two medals from a recent Acro festival. She took part in both solo & group competitions



Ivy from Shakespeare Class was awarded 2 medals in recent dance competitions. Her friend Sophia from Dickens Class also took part.



Jaxon from Turner Class Plays football for Southdown Rovers & was awarded the Man of the Match trophy for scoring a goal from a corner & helping his team win the game 3-0!



Charlie from Hawking Class took part in the youth race during the Brighton Half Marathon. He covered the mile long course in 11mins, 1 second & raised money for the Stroke Association.



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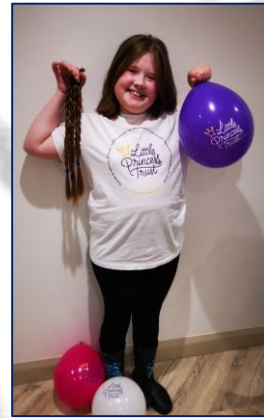
Natasha from Kahlo Class has been awarded certificates for progress in piano lessons & also for passing Level 4 in her swimming lessons.



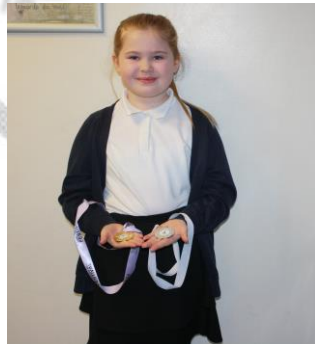
Kelsey from Einstein Class & Ananya from Picasso were the lucky winners of Chartwell's recent Flower Garden Picture Competition. They each won a certificate, some wildflower seeds & other goodies!



Eloise from Pankhurst Class has just had her long hair cut & donated it to The Little Princess Trust, which supplies wigs to young people who are undergoing treatment for cancer. Here she is before & after her haircut!



Sophia from Dickens Class won 2 medals during a recent acro-dance competition.



Eli & Archie from Y5 were awarded medals from a football tournament during half term.





Achievements



Ava, Alana, Elise & Lucy from Y4 wrote a letter to the Council regarding some damaged & unsafe trees at the Westpark Nature Reserve. They received a reply which promised that more trees would be planted later in the year.



Russell from Turner Class plays football for Southdown Rovers & won the Player of the Week trophy for his tackling skills.

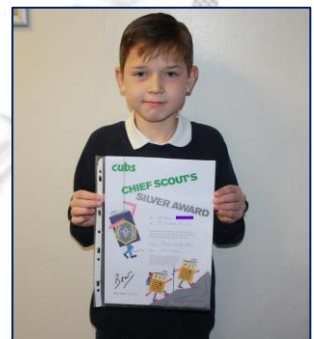


Russell also plays rugby for BHRFC & won the Player of the Week trophy them last week.

Isla from Mandela was awarded the 'Top of the Month' trophy from Hurstpierpoint Gymnastics Club!



Matthew from Rowling Class earned his Chief Scout Silver Award, after gaining 8 badges recently.



Austin from Turner Class has been working hard in Karate lessons & has just been awarded his yellow belt.



Alberta from Einstein Class won this trophy from her rugby club for good ripping, tackling & communication during a recent girls' match.