



South Ascot Village School Newsletter



2nd April 2019

Dear Parents

The spring term is drawing to a close. Here are a few reminders and memories from the last few weeks...

Easter Bunny Competition



The children's competition to create an Easter Bunny will be judged **on Wednesday 3rd April 2019**. Please get all your creations into school by **Wednesday morning** for judging to take place that afternoon. There are prizes for the best decorated in each class so bring in your decorated Bunnies to be in with a chance to win!

Easter Egg Hunt

As is the tradition at South Ascot Village School, all the children will take part in an Easter egg hunt in the grounds on Friday morning. Let's hope the Easter Bunny is feeling generous this year and we all get a few chocolate eggs to enjoy!



Easter at Church



The children will be walking over to All Souls Church on Thursday 4th April for an Easter Service. If you wish for your child not to attend – please inform the school office.

Next Term's Theme



Next term's theme will be 'Growth'. Further details of the topic will be communicated to you via the individual class letters at the beginning of the summer term.

World Book Day

The World Book Day celebrations took place earlier this term. There were some amazing costumes and some worthy winners ... although judging was a particular challenge this year as the characters were amazing and everyone made such a big effort from Foundation stage to Year 6.



Comic Relief



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The children and staff ran themselves proud on Friday 15th March when the whole school took part in a Comic Relief Fun Run. From the youngest to the oldest, we ran throughout the morning "Just for Fun!" – Our thanks goes out to Mrs Higgins for her help in organising the event and joining in with all of the 'Fun'! £400 was raised for this worthwhile cause.

School Traffic



The traffic at drop-off and pick-up times is very busy. Can I please ask that you are considerate of other road users, pedestrians and local residents when parking your cars. Please do not obstruct the road so other cars cannot pass or block pathways and driveways. Everyone needs to be thoughtful towards others at this extremely busy time in order to make sure that everyone arrives at school safely – Thank you.

The Community Police Officers and the Traffic Wardens will be monitoring this situation.

Drop off and Collection from School

In the morning, gates open at 8:40am at the main school for an 8:50am start. Please ensure that your child is brought to the classroom doors in years 1, 2, 3, 4 and Year 5. Only Year 6 may make their own way into school unaccompanied and should enter via the hall doors.

At the end of the day, please arrange for your child to be picked up on time by a responsible adult. Pupils should not be picked up by siblings under the age of 16. This is for everyone's safety.

Any changes in arrangements for the collection of your child from school must be communicated to the main school office. The class teacher will not be able to release your child if they do not know who they are to be handed over to.

Foundation Stage

Foundation Stage 2 hours are from 8:50am to 3:20pm doors open at 8:45am in the morning and at the end of the day doors open at 3:10pm.

Nursery Class morning sessions start at 8:50am and finish at 11:50am. Doors open at 8:45am and 11:45am. Afternoon sessions finish at 3:20pm with the doors opening at 3:10pm.

Please ensure you are on time to drop off and collect your children.

Holidays in Term Time

The Governing Body have adopted a firm approach where we, as a school, do not authorise holidays taken in term times. Attendance at school is very important for your child's future as there is a clear link between attendance and attainment. Children who have higher levels of attendance achieve better. Even a few days absence can impact on a child's progress.

A pupil who misses 10% or more of school sessions for whatever reason or combination of reasons, whether authorised or not, is considered by The Department of Education as persistent absence. This equates to 38 sessions or 19 days of absence across the year or 3 ½ days per half term.

Any time off during term time will only be considered in exceptional circumstances, that has been formally approved by the Head Teacher or the Governing Body.

We know that you want your child to have the best possible attendance at school to support them in achieving the best possible outcomes and we ask for your support in this matter.

Lost Property

Please come and check the lost property box for items of clothing and other property that you may have lost.

Any property not claimed will be disposed of or recycled.

Year 5 Residential Trip to PGL

The Year 5 Residential trip to Weymouth takes place from **Monday 13th May 2019 to Friday 17th May 2019**.

If your child is going on this trip, there is an information evening for parents after school on **Thursday 25th April 2019** in the school hall, where Miss Rimell will answer any questions you may have.

SATs WEEK

Key Stage 2 SATs for Year 6 take place from **Monday 13th May 2019 to Thursday 16th May 2019**. **Please ensure that your Year 6 child is in school for these statutory examinations. The children must arrive in school for 8:50am – the timetable cannot be adjusted for latecomers.**

Head lice



We continue to have a problem with children having head lice. May I please ask that you regularly check your child for signs of the eggs, nymphs and adult nits and treat them appropriately. Children of primary school age should be examined regularly at home using a nit comb to identify infestation early as prompt treatment helps prevent further spread. Head lice can be effectively treated with medicated lotions or by wet combing using a specially designed head lice comb. Please refer to the following NHS website for further information and advice.

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>.

The Easter holidays is a good time to get 'bug busting' – it would be great if we could restart the summer term 'nit free'!

School Clubs - Teacher Led

New club lists will be placed in the entrance on **Wednesday 24th April** for parents to sign up for next half term clubs. The new club list will come into effect from the Week beginning **Monday 29th April unless otherwise stated**. Please remember one club per pupil please.

Monday – Netball – Mrs Carey Kelly – by invitation only

Tuesday – Football Years 3 and 4 – Mr James Addison
Football Years 5 and 6 – Mr Jack Forrest
Art All Years – Miss Naomi Webb

Wednesday - Keep fit– Years 5 and 6 – Prince Hemary

Thursday – Homework Club – KS2 only – sign up weekly
Ball Sports – Years 1 and 2 – Mrs Nicola Higgins

SCL - Breakfast and Afterschool Care Club

The Breakfast and Afterschool Care Clubs are growing in popularity – If you need to book your child a place please visit their website:

www.wearescl.co.uk/PARENTS/BREAKFAST-clubs

www.wearescl.co.uk/after-care



BREAKFAST CLUB

at South Ascot Primary School

MONDAY - FRIDAY

PRICE & TIME:
£5.50 for 7.30AM - 8.40AM

LOCATION:
In the School Hall.

END OF SESSION:
Children are safely escorted to the school reception or classroom ready for the start of the school day.

CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

START DATE
MONDAY
25TH FEB 19

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BOOK ONLINE NOW, LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE
WEARESCL.CO.UK/PARENTS/BREAKFAST-CLUBS



AFTER SCHOOL CARE CLUB

at South Ascot Primary School

MONDAY - FRIDAY

PRICE & TIME:
£12.00 - 3.15PM - 6.00PM
£10.00 - 4.15PM - 6.00PM for children attending an after school activity before joining care club.

COLLECTION:
From the School Hall.
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Non-Uniform day for Sycamore



As the winners of this half term's house point competition Sycamore have earned themselves a non-uniform day on Friday 5th April 2019. **Congratulations!**

Doughnut Friday



- The PTA will be selling doughnuts after school outside the main school and the Foundation Stage on **Friday 5th April 2019**. Celebrate the beginning of the Easter Holiday with a delicious doughnut!

Easter Break

Children break up for the Easter break on **Friday 5th April at 3:20pm**. There will be an in-service training day for teachers on Tuesday 23rd April 2019, so children return to school on **Wednesday 24th April 2019**.



Miss Kate Rimell
Headteacher

Summer Term Dates 2019

Friday 5th April	- End of Term for Easter Holiday (3:20pm)
Tuesday 23rd April	- Staff Training Day (No pupils in school)
Wednesday 24th April	- Beginning of summer term
Thursday 25th April	- Year 5 PGL parent meeting
Monday 6th May	- Bank Holiday
Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May	- Year 6 KS2 SATs Week
Monday 13th May – Friday 17th May	- Year 5 PGL Residential Trip to Osmington Bay
Monday 20th May	- Class Photographs
Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May	- HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 3rd June	- Staff Training Day (No pupils in school)
Tuesday 4th June	- Children return to school
Monday 17th June – Saturday 22nd June	- Royal Ascot Week (No teacher led clubs)
Tuesday 2nd July and Wednesday 3rd July	- Year 6 Charters Induction days
Tuesday 2nd July	- Class swap / New SAVS parents' induction morning
Wednesday 3rd July	- Year 5 Sports at St Mary's School
Tuesday 9th July	- Whole School Trip to Chessington World of Adventure
Friday 12th July	- School Prom
Tuesday 16th July	- Sports Afternoon
Tuesday 23rd July	- END OF TERM at 2pm