



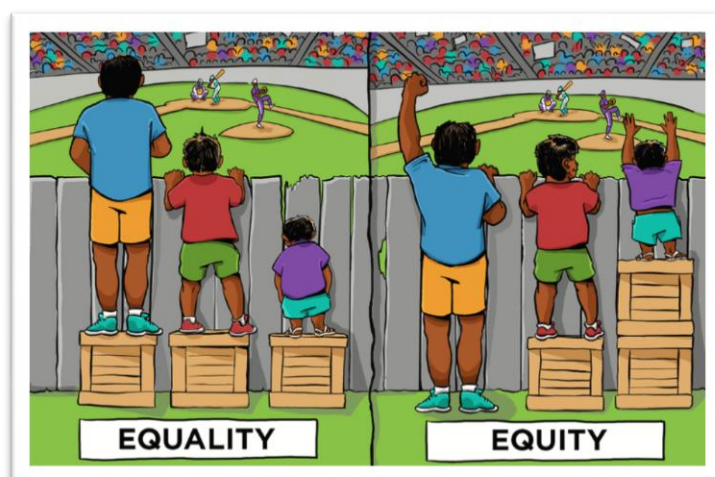
South Ascot Village School Newsletter

14th February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The **'Twenty Twenties'** are now well underway! Let us see if the current decade will be like that of 100 years ago. The 1920's were deemed to being – **'Roaring' and 'Golden'** – revelling in their apparent freedom and success!

'World of Difference', as a whole school topic, provides all year groups with the *'spine'* on which to build our wider creative curriculum. From, the Three Little Pigs in FS2, to WWII in Year 6; the whole school is looking at how everyone is different and how every person can make a difference in our wider world. This 'difference' can be effected both positively and negatively. **Most importantly the children are learning the difference between equality and equity.**



EQUALITY: Everyone is treated the same regardless of their individual needs. Equal resources are provided; therefore, all do not achieve a positive outcome.

EQUITY: Everyone is different because of their individual needs. Different resources and provision is provided; therefore, all can receive the same positive outcome.

Staffing

We warmly welcome **Miss Shelley Gardener** to our team, who is our new full-time teacher for our Year 1 pupils. I am sure she will settle in quickly and enjoy being part of our wider school community.

Mrs Jaqueline Grumbt and Mrs Lizzie Kelly will combine to teach Year 2; a strong partnership, which will serve the children particularly well in this important year.

New Wraparound Care Provider at SAVS



Get Active Sports
Engaging, Motivating, Empowering

Pancake Day at:
South Ascot Village Primary After School Club

Tuesday 25th February 2020

Come and join us for some delicious pancake treats at our After School Club.

This activity will run alongside our usual art & craft, team activities/sports timetables and is **included** in the normal cost of the Active Care session

After School Club...

Short Session 3:15pm – 4:30pm £7.00 per day or £35 per week Includes one snack	Medium Session 4:15pm – 6:00pm £9.00 per day or £45.00 per week Includes cold meal	Long Session 3:15pm – 6:00pm £12.95 per day or £64.75 per week Includes one snack and a cold meal
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Just some examples of the multi activities and sports at our sessions:

Badminton	Dodgeball	Football	Themed Arts & Craft
Crab Football	Scooters	Cricket	Ping Pong
Rock Paper Scissors Tag	Pool table	Team Games	

Most Credit, Debit cards & Childcare Vouchers schemes accepted.
"Please visit our website to book online and view term dates"

Ofsted

YouTube Twitter Facebook

From 25th February 2020, the new Breakfast and Afterschool club at South Ascot Village School will be run by **GET ACTIVE**.

The greater the number of parents who take up this provision on a regular basis, will ultimately determine whether the service will be successful and provide the essential wraparound care on a long-term basis. **In basic terms – USE IT OR LOSE IT!**

Get Active provide wraparound childcare (not just sports), that children will hopefully want to take part in and enjoy on a daily basis.

<https://www.getactivesports.com/breakfast-and-after-school-club/>

Please check out the new provision and enrol your children in their programmes.

These clubs are available at a reasonable, variable and proportionate cost to parents and are bookable online.

Look out for the notices, outside school, advertising each week's special activities.

Environmental Concerns

The protection and preservation of our Earth's environment is high on the world's political agenda as well as being a high priority in our school's social and ethical beliefs:

But how is this reflected in our daily lives at South Ascot Village School?

- **Reviewing the amount of unnecessary food and packaging at lunch and break-time is a way that we can all actively reduce wastage, in an effective, immediate and real way:**
 - **FS1 and 2, KS1 can take up the free offer of fruit and vegetables**, provided by the government, daily, for break time snacks.
 - All children's snacks at break-time are **fruit/vegetables** requiring no packaging – just peel!
 - Packed lunches are home-made - **reducing packaging** – Use reusable containers/wrapping – not one use plastic.
 - Food at lunchtimes will be enjoyed and eaten by each child – refusal to eat unliked food is reduced and **food is not thrown away and wasted** – all parties make informed choices.
 - **Water bottles** are provided and **refilled at home/school** each day from sustainable sources.



We must seek to maximise opportunities to minimise wastage and heighten awareness in the reduce, reuse and recycle agenda.

How do you think we can further reduce our energy consumption at SAVS?

Sport Relief - It's Game On!



Sport Relief is back from 9th to 13th March 2020, bringing the nation together to get active and raise life-changing amounts of money, for those less fortunate, through the power of sport and physical activity.

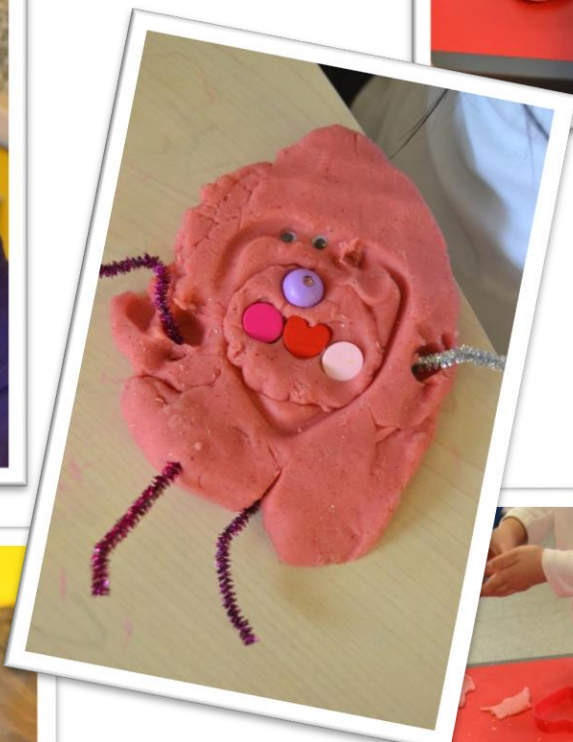
This year, SAVS will support the cause by having a **'AEROBATHON'** on Wednesday 11th March 2020, in the afternoon. The whole school will come together to perform a number of music led, aerobic exercise routines – Stepping it up and **'Raising heartbeats and £s'** in aid of Sports Relief 2020.



Happy Valentine's Day!



Below, is a collection of images of the F1 and F2 children creating their own 'love bugs'.

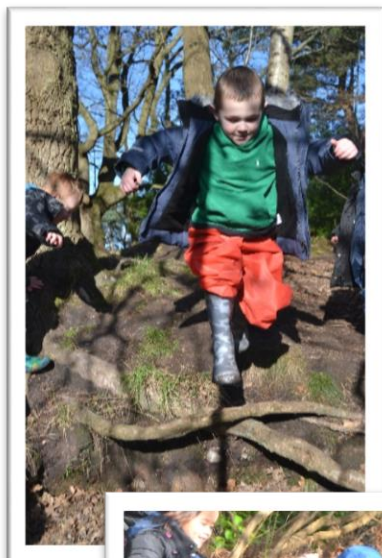


SEN Parent Drop in

Mrs Carey Kelly will be welcoming parents to a coffee (or tea) to open up a discussion between parents and school about potential and current needs and share collective strategies and solutions. The date for this event is yet to be confirmed – look out for a poster in the new half term for more details.

Forest School

Forest School continues to be a weekly joy for all its participants: Awe, wonder, risk and adventure!



Year 5 PGL Residential Meeting for Parents

3:30pm – Thursday 2nd April 2020 – School Hall

As this important trip comes closer I invite you to come and find out more about this amazing week and prepare for your child's week away. In this meeting I can give information, in full, concerning the activities and experiences that the children will encounter and I will answer any questions you may have – together with packing tips. This will be the eleventh year that I have led this residential trip which has always proved to be a most widely educational and enjoyable experience for all involved.



Royal Berkshire Fire Service's Visit to Year 5

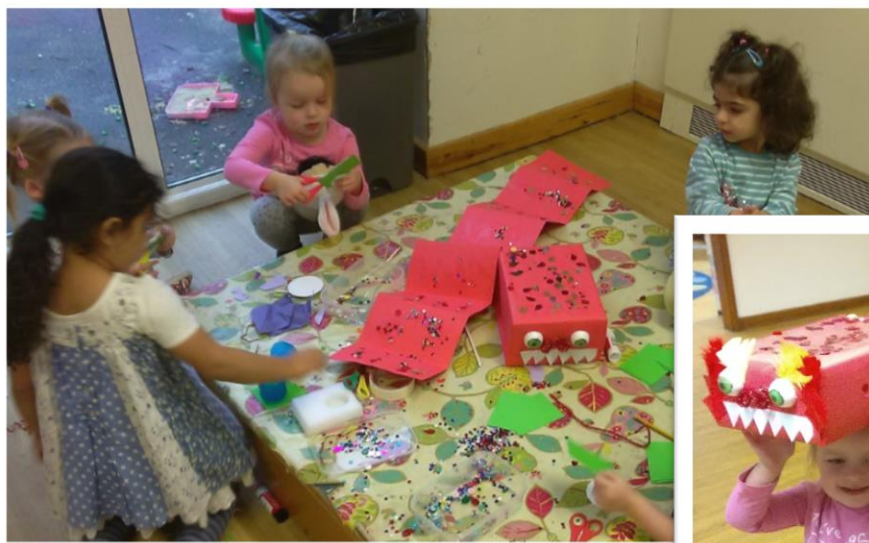


The Royal Berkshire Fire Service briefly visited Year 5, before hastily retreating for a live call-out! The siren sounded and they were gone! But not before Harris got to see what it might feel like to wear the full kit.

Hopefully, the Fire Service will be able to return soon and others will be able to enjoy their visit to our school, whilst learning about fire safety.

Chinese New Year 2020

The children in South Ascot Village School's Nursery class, together with the wider school, have been looking at the customs associated with Chinese New Year.



This year is the year of the Rat. Rat is the first in the 12-year cycle of the Chinese zodiac. The Years of the Rat include 1912, 1924, 1936, 1948, 1960, 1972, 1984, 1996, 2008, 2020, 2032... Though people consider the rat not adorable, it ranks first on the Chinese zodiac signs. It has characteristics of an animal with

spirit, wit, alertness, delicacy, flexibility and vitality.



The children created their own Chinese dragon and danced wearing their amazing creation. The dragon dance is an ancient traditional Chinese dance usually performed during Chinese New Year that is said to scare away evil spirits!

School Run Clubs

Sign-up sheets for the new half term clubs are available from 25th February 2020 in the main school foyer. Clubs will start Week beginning 2nd March 2020. Please sign up for **only one club per pupil** to allow as many pupils to enjoy each club.

If places are not taken up within a particular club: additional places may be offered to a wider age group of pupils, to make the club remain viable, else the club may be withdrawn.

Monday	Netball by invitation only – Mrs C Kelly - Playground/School hall Craft (Sewing) – All Years – Mrs J Grumbt – Year 2 Classroom
Wednesday	Football - Year 4, 5 and 6 - Mr J Forrest – Field/ Playground/School hall Art - Years 1 – 6 - Miss N Webb - Year 3 Classroom Computing - Years 1 and 2 – Mrs L Kelly – Year 2 Classroom Lego Club – All Years – Miss K Rimell – Year 1 Classroom
Thursday	Sports – Years 1, 2 and 3 - Mrs N Higgins - Playground/School hall Homework Club – Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Miss S Gardener - Year 1 Classroom Italian – Years 3 to 6 – Mrs I Winterbottom – Year 5 Classroom.

The above clubs are provided, free of charge, by the teaching staff at SAVS – they run from the end of school **until 4:15pm – please collect your child from the specified location.**

Parents Evenings

The Spring term's parent's evenings will take place on Monday 16th March and Wednesday 18th March 2020. Put the dates in your diary – sign-up sheets will be available closer to the event.

Year 4 parents will not be able to have a face to face meeting with their current teacher however you will receive a written report from myself, regarding each individual's progress, attainment and achievements thus far.

Department for Education (DfE) Statutory Test Dates 2020

Below are the future dates for the key stage 1 and key stage 2 tests (commonly referred to as SATs), phonics screening check, multiplication tables check and science sampling tests.

Key stage 1

Date	Activity
May 2020	Key stage 1 test period – Year 2
Week commencing Monday 8 June 2020	Phonics screening check week – Year 1

Key stage 2 – Year 6

Date	Activity
Monday 11 May 2020	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 12 May 2020	English reading
Wednesday 13 May 2020	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 14 May 2020	Mathematics paper 3

Multiplication tables check – Year 4

Schools should administer the [multiplication tables check](#) within the 3-week period from Monday 8 June 2020. Schools are strongly encouraged to administer the check within the first 2 weeks, leaving sufficient time in the final week for pupils who were absent or in case of any delays due to unforeseen issues such as technical difficulties.

Science sampling tests – Year 6

Schools selected for science sampling will need to administer the tests within the 2-week period from Monday 8 June 2020.

Please ensure your child is present for all of their relevant testing periods.

HOLIDAYS AND MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS MUST NOT BE BOOKED DURING THESE TIMES

School Uniform

Please can you ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform. The school colours are **purple and black with grey trousers/shorts or dress/skirts**. The following items are available from the school office:

- School Sweatshirts (black) with school logo - £10.50
- School Cardigans (black or purple) with school logo - £10.50
- School Polo-shirts (black or white) with school logo - £8.50
- PE T-Shirts (red, yellow, green and blue) with school logo - £5.00

Children should also wear black shoes suitable for school and a waterproof winter coat. Trainers are not acceptable as school shoes. Trainers should only be for the field and playground.

Pupil Wellness/Sickness



Unfortunately, we have been experiencing a period of sickness at school which is not uncommon at this time of year. With this in mind, below are a few reminders:

Please teach your child about basic hygiene practices:

- Use a tissue to wipe and blow your nose
- Cover your mouth/nose when coughing or sneezing
- Wash your hands regularly with soap

If your child is unwell and cannot attend school, please report their absence to the school by 10am each day of the absence by calling 01344 622118.

*For sickness and/or diarrhoea please allow **48 hours after last episode before returning to school**. This will be recorded as an authorised absence. We appreciate that this can prove to be inconvenient but is necessary to reduce the likelihood of the spread of the illness to the wider school.*

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Kate Rimell

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