

Keeping you informed: Miss Kaur—Headteacher

Spring 2 Friday 31st March 2023

Dear parents & carers,

Term four has whizzed by and the Easter break is already upon us. This half term started with a visit from Ofsted for 2 days. Communication regarding the inspection will be shared with you all when we receive our final report. I am hoping this will be early on in term five.

Our value of 'Independence' has been demonstrated daily by our South Enders. We have celebrated by announcing our 'Independence' ambassadors in assembly this week, and an additional values break was awarded this afternoon in recognition of the tremendous number of values stones the children collected.



Next term we launch our new value of 'Perseverance'. What does your child persevere with out of school? How do you encourage it? If your child shows real 'grit' in an activity out of school, share it with their class teacher so that we can reward them with values stones.

A huge thank you to all parents and carers who attended our parent-teacher meetings this week. It was great to share and celebrate successes, and discuss areas of improvement. Also, thank you for supporting the 'Family Maths' workshop. Seeing so many parents on our school site, celebrating their child's learning, was a real delight!

After the Easter break, we will continue to nurture and grow all our South Enders and prepare Year 6 for the upcoming SATs and residential trip away from home.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation this term. The new term begins on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 8:40am.

Please report any safeguarding issues to <u>gkaur@southend-jun.northants.sch.uk</u> Alternatively, MASH can be contacted on 0300 126 1000.

Have a safe and relaxing Easter break.

See you at the gate!

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G Kaur Head teacher



If you are parking in the streets and roads around the school, could I ask you please to consider whether you are driving and parking safely?

Please let's try and keep everyone safe. Not just our children but cyclists, local residents and other members of our community too.

We remind you that parents and carers are not permitted on site to drop children off in the morning unless they have been given permission from the school. Also, when clubs are on after school, the barrier will not be lifted for you to collect your children. You will need to park off site and walk in.

## Holi celebrations

On March 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>, Years 4 and 6 learnt about Holi and how it is celebrated around the world. Year 4 took part in a colour party and look at the meaning on Holi. They also decorated their own plates to enjoy party food from. Year 6 learnt about the meanings of the different colours and took part in a colour run around the Daily Mile track. **JLT** have had a very successful Red Nose Day dressing up in red on the day and then selling some of our merit shop stock on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Thank you so much for your silver coin donations. Between the sale and your donations, we raised a fantastic £254.32. The sale of obsolete merit shop items was so successful that we are hoping to hold another one in the summer term for our school charity: Cancer Research UK.







Please ensure your child is in their classroom by 8.40am. We are noticing the same children are arriving late and missing morning starter tasks. Thank you to all parents and carers who ensure their children are at school on time.

Attendance surgeries will continue in the next term for any families who may have barriers to attending school regularly. We also continue to report any unauthorised holiday requests to the Local Authority for them to issue fixed penalty notices.

#### SPORTS @ SEJ

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, SEJS competed in the BEE Netball competition held at The Ferrers school. The pupils represented the school commendably by displaying the values of courage and resilience. It was a cold and wet March evening, but all players gave it their best. Unfortunately, only 3 schools turned up (including us) in the end. Well done to everyone who participated!

A big thank you to the young leaders from The Ferrers that helped to run the event.

# Science Week 2023

Professor Bubbleworks visited SEJ on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March to launch this year's science week. Every year group took part in an interactive workshop where they learned how to generate energy, explored how conductors can be useful within electrical circuits, and were utterly spellbound as they tried to master a fantastic party trick using plastic cups. Great fun was had by all and a buzz for science filled the Plaza throughout the day.

### World Book Day

This year we celebrated World Book Day on two separate days with the theme of 'You Choose'. We based our celebrations around Pippa Goodhart's popular books and also invited the children to simply 'choose' what they wanted to wear for the day. It was great to see some children choosing to dress up as their favourite book character and others simply choosing to wear their most loved outfit. As Pippa published one of this year's World Book day £1 books, we were delighted to invite her to our school. The children were all enthused by her stories when she visited, and we also gave her the difficult job of judging our poetry competition.

The lucky winners were:

Year 3 - Farley, Ariana and Isabella

Year 4 - Ava, Max and Kayden

Year 5 - River, Ellis and Elsie

Year 6 - Lilly, Esme and Weronika

#### World Maths Day: Who injured Mr Huck?

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, South End pupils celebrated World Maths Day with a giant game of Cluedo!

Pupils had to complete learning challenges (all about telling the time and reading timetables) in order to earn cards and eliminate possible suspects, locations and implement.

Ask your children who injured Mr Huck, where and with what....





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# **4** Diary Dates- Term 5

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<u>17th April</u> School Closed— Training Day	18th April School re-opens Yr 6 Condover Hall meeting for parents 5-6pm	19th April	<b>20th April</b> Yr3 Swimming	<b>21st April</b> Yr 5 Innovation Friday - parents invited 2.20 - 2.50pm
24th April	<b>25th April</b> Dodgeball Comp 1.00-3.00pm	<b>26th April</b> RSE Workshop for parents 2.30-3.00pm	<b>27th April</b> Yr3 Swimming	<b>28th April</b> Yr4 Bikeability
<u>1st May</u> School Closed– Bank Holiday	2nd May	3rd May	<b>4th May</b> Yr3 Swimming	5th May
<u>8th May</u>	9th May	10th May	11th May	12th May
School Closed– Extra Bank Holiday KING'S CORONATION	SATs Week	SATs Week	<b>NO SWIMMING</b> SATs Week	SATs Week VIP
15th May Yr 6 community dentist for selected pupils History Festival begins for 2 weeks	16th May Class photos	17th May	<b>18th May</b> Yr3 Swimming	19th May
22nd May	<b>23rd May</b> Dynamos Cricket 3.30-4.30pm	<b>24th May</b> Y6 residential trip to Condover Hall	25th May Yr3 Swimming Y6 residential trip to Condover Hall	26th May School Closed 3pm Y6 residential trip to Condover Hall
		May Half Term		

#### SAFEGUARDING AT SOUTH END

At South End Safeguarding all children remains our priority. If you have any worries or concerns, please see one of the following members of staff: Miss Kaur- Lead Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Gibbs & Mrs Izycky- Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads.