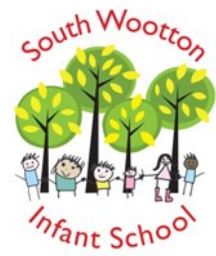


The Smile South Wootton Infant School Newsletter



Issue 2

30th September

Our journey to Outstanding

Following our successful Ofsted in June, we are now looking at how to move the school from “good” towards “outstanding”. We are keen to ensure that all our learners embody our school values of Respect, Resilience, Collaboration, Independence, Inquisitiveness and Reflection.

In our School Improvement and Development Plan we aim to use data to improve standards; promote excellent attendance; develop assessment across all subjects; challenge children to make exceptional progress.

We value the support of families and hope this will continue. Please can you ensure your child completes some of the Home Learning tasks and reads every day. It is also important that they are in school with all that they need by 9am. Learning starts as soon as the children arrive and we aim to make the most of every day.

Holidays in Term Time

We seem to be receiving an increasing number of holiday forms. It is important that the children attend school regularly and holidays in term time are avoided where possible. As the Year 2 children will be completing their SATs in May, I would respectfully request that NO children take a holiday during this month. In June Year 1 children will all be taking the DfE Phonics Screening and it is important that they do not miss this.

Reading Café and Class Assemblies

To celebrate the end of the Heroes topic we will be holding Reading Cafés in all six classes on Friday 21st October. Parents and carers are invited to join us from 1.30pm. We hope the children will come dressed as their own Superhero wearing their homemade superhero accessories (see Home Learning!)

This year we are introducing half termly class assemblies. This half term it will be Otters who will present their learning to the rest of the school on Wednesday 19th October. Their parents are invited to join us at 2.45pm.

Parking

There have been complaints about parking outside school and several near misses when children are crossing the road. Please could you ensure you are driving safely outside the school and park with consideration for our neighbours. We still recommend parking at the Village Hall or the Swan and then walking the short distance to school.

Headlice Prevention

Several parents have reported that their children have headlice and even when treated they have returned. To prevent this it is a good idea to check your child's hair regularly and treat the whole family if any “visitors” are found. Children with long hair should have it tied back which will help to prevent them becoming infested.

Long hair should also be tied back for safety reasons in PE lessons and when playing with equipment. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Community Events

There are a number of events happening at Gaywood library over the next few weeks that we thought may interest families.

Saturday 8th October- Pirate Adventures 10.30-11am (part of the Norfolk Storytelling festival)

Tuesday 25th October—Spooks and Spells Storytime 10.30-11.30am

Wednesday 26th October—Dogs Trust Doggy Storytelling 10.30-12

Contact the library for more details: 01553 768498

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**Smile! Work! Inspire!
Succeed!**

PTFA

The recent Car Boot sale raised £140 despite the rainy start.

Don't forget to join us for the MacMillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 7th October @ 1.30pm.

Cake donations gratefully received on the day

Diary dates

October

Friday 7th - PTFA Macmillan Coffee Afternoon in School Hall @ 1.30pm

Tuesday 11th - Tempest Ltd - Individual photographs

Wednesday 19th—Otters Class Assembly @ 2.45pm

Friday 21st - 1.30pm Whole School Reading Café
School closes

Monday 31st October School re-opens

November

Wednesday 2nd - Phonics workshop for Reception parents @ 2.30pm

Thursday 3rd - Open Morning for Reception 2017 @ 9.30am

Monday 7th Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm

Wednesday 9th Parents' Evening 3.30-6pm

September Children of the Week

	12th-16th	19th-23rd	26th-30th
FOX CUBS		Aimee-May	Liliana
RABBITS		Polly	Tommy
OWLS	Lenny	Albie	Isobel
HEDGEHOGS	Scarlett	Charlie O	Anton
RED SQUIRRELS	Oscar	Ithalia	Rebecca
OTTERS	Layla	Macy	Robyn

Birthdays

The children who have celebrated or will celebrate their birthday in September are:

Aimee-May Wyatt, Ebony Twaite Smith and Liliana Steele

who are now 5 years old.

Lucie Hudson, Scarlett Wilson, Elsie Marrow, Joshua Sim, Esmerelda Tickle, Alfie King, Sophia Harper, Harry Thompson, Mehdi Bensihem

who are now 6 years old.

Laney Clarke-Twell, Lois Goodchild, Cady Kellegher

who are now 7 years old

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone who celebrates their birthday this month.

Attendance

For the month of September the class with the best attendance were

OTTERS

with an attendance total of 99.63% (almost 100%!!)

CONGRATULATIONS to them.

Our overall attendance is now at 98.11%. Our whole school target is 97% so we are currently above our target. We would ask that you please remember that we do not authorise any holidays in term time.