

## The Southbourne Junior

## School Satellite



## **April 2022 NEWSLETTER**

Dear Parents,

This half term has flown by. It was wonderful to see so many of our parents, grandparents and carers join us for our first open morning since the start of the pandemic. The children loved showing the adults their work and activities and the staff were thrilled to have visitors back in school. The return of these events is something we hope will now be able to stay and we look forward to welcoming you to another event in the summer term!

Louise Gasser, Headteacher

- ♦ School Council and Parish Council Our School Council met with Parish Councillor David James to discuss the support our children could provide to the Southbourne Parish Jubilee Celebrations on Sunday 5th June. Some of our pupils have already started designing posters to advertise the event. Look out for posters around the village soon!
- ◆ School Pond—A huge thank you to Mr Wileman for all his hard work on the redevelopment of our school pond. The area was in need of some major work due to overgrown trees and bushes, damaged fencing, old decking and a deep pond. The area has now had trees and bushes cut back, a new fence installed and a shallower pond with layered shelving to make it safer for our children to pond dip. The new decking is being laid and the pondlife will be returned so we can use these great resource again after Easter. Thank you for the PTA funds that have contributed to this project to improve our school!
- ♦ Hockey—Our pupils have really enjoyed their hockey sessions in school and in the after school club with Havant Hockey Club. Some of our former pupils are doing particularly well; Southbourne Junior coach Ben Miles won his semi final to make it to the National u18 finals on 3rd April with ex-pupils Gabriel Carvalio and James Healey in the same team. Girls u16s, with Jess Healey in goal, made it to the National Plate Finals. Holly Illing started the Southbourne Afterschool Hockey Club at 7 years old. She immediately began to love playing Hockey. Jon saw potential and recommend Holly joined Havant Hockey Club as they have an excellent Juniors Programme. Holly then played for Havants U10's and U12's teams. At 12 years old the club put her forward for the Hampshire Development Centre, Following this she was selected for 2

and was finally selected in September to the Hampshire Hockey Academy to play for the U14 Hampshire Girls Hockey team for this season in May Holly will

Hampshire Academy Trials



represent Hampshire in some matches against other counties. She has loved every minute of this Hockey Journey and as part of both the Havant and Hampshire teams has made great friends and learnt many life lessons. All this started from a very friendly and nicely run After School Club. Thank you to Jon Keynes for his passion and enthusiasm sparking an interest in the sport for many of our pupils.

◆ STEM ENTHUSE—A group of our Year 5 pupils attended the launch of the STEM Enthuse project at the Bourne Community College on Friday. Our Year 5s have been attending STEM sessions hosted by Bourne teachers alongside our own staff. The project aims to ignite students passion for STEM in the primary years and encourage them into these areas and careers. Our pupils had a fabulous time at the event showing great enthusiasm and discovery! Take a look at the Bourne Community College website for more information:

https://sites.google.com/view/stematbourne/enthuse-project/a-southbourne-junior-school

◆ AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS—Since the easing of restrictions with covid we have been able to offer a range of clubs—football, hockey, Ktroo, dance, choir and maths clubs. We are pleased to be able to reintroduce Spanish for the summer term as well as some more staff clubs. Thank you to our staff for volunteering to run these clubs. Please see letter attached.

## **♦ DIARY DATES**

Fri 8th April Chocolate Egg Tombola / Last day of term **EASTER HOLIDAYS** Mon 11th April Mon 25th April Children return to school Tues 26th April **Class Photos** Tues 3rd May Year 5 visit to University of Chichester Fri 6th May Young Voices at the O2 Tues 17th May Falcon class at Bourne—STEM Mon 23rd May Year 5 at Bourne English Dept Tues 24th May Owl class at Bourne—STEM Non-uniform Day—Bottle tombola Fri 27th May Mon 30th May HALF TERM Mon 6th June Red, white and blue day—Jubilee Picnic Fri 10th June PTA Summer Fair Fri 1st July **Locality Area Sports** Mon 4th July Sports Week Fri 8th July Sports Day

Tues 5th July Falcon class at Bourne—STEM
Tues 12th July Owl class at Bourne—STEM
Fri 15th July PTA 'Be Yourself Day'
Wed 20th July Last day of term for children

Thurs 21st July INSET Day