

The Southbourne Junior

School Satellite



September 2023 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents.

Welcome back to all our families and those that are new to the school. We look forward to working together for our children's learning journey with us.

Louise Gasser, Headteacher

- ◆ OFSTED—Our Ofsted report was published on the Government website over the summer and is available to view on our school website. We really appreciate the support given by parents, pupils, staff and governors during our Inspection. Thank you to everyone that completed the online survey, your views are important to us. We are extremely proud of the children that met with the inspector, talked about the school and shared their work confidently. We are pleased that the inspector recognised the many strengths of our school, including our broad and balanced curriculum, our outdoor learning and all the enrichment activities we provide. Staff and governors will continue to drive our school towards our future aspirations.
- ◆ EMAIL, FACEBOOK & WEBSITE Most of our communication is now paper free so please do ensure your priority email is up to date with the school office. We also send reminders through the Southbourne Schools Facebook page. Our school website also contains our up to date information and letters so please do look at the site, www.southbournejuniors.co.uk.
- ◆ ATTENDANCE LINE—Please ring our attendance line on the first day of absence by 9.20am and state the symptoms of why your child is not attending school. We can then complete the register and note the reason for their absence. If we have not heard from you by then we will contact you. Please make all dentist and non-urgent doctors appointments after school.
- ◆ AD HOC MEDICINE—If your child requires any ad-hoc medicine please ensure you complete the appropriate medical forms available from the school office.
- ◆ PE KITS & EARRINGS—Please make sure that you child has the correct PE kit on their PE days, the teachers have included the PE days in their half termly topic letters. Long hair should be tied back and earrings removed or covered with tape. Only small stud earrings may be worn in school for health and safety reasons—no hoops or dangly earrings please.
- ◆ SECONDARY TRANSFER—Year 6 parents and carers should have received the letter from West Sussex Admissions Team regarding the secondary transfer process for September 2024. Please ensure you complete the online application form before the deadline of TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER 2023.
- ♦ HARVEST FESTIVAL—Our harvest festival will take place on

Thursday 5th October. All proceeds will be donated to the Chichester Food Bank to support local families in need.

♦ DIARY DATES

Fri 15th Sept Y3 Butser Farm trip

Mon 18th Sept Y6 IOW Residential until Fri 22nd Sept

Fri 22nd Sept Y5 Pulborough Brooks trip
Fri 29th Sept Y5 Swimming (Letter to follow)

Mon 2nd Oct Y6 Kingley Vale trip

Tues 3rd Oct Y6 Enthuse Project Eagle Class

PTA AGM at 7pm

Wed 4th Oct Y5 & Y6 Chichester Bookfest Author visits

Thurs 5th Oct Harvest Festival

Tues 10th Oct Wear yellow for World Mental Health Day

Y6 Enthuse Project Buzzard Class

Thurs 12th Oct Individual School Photos

Mon 23rd Oct Half Term
Mon 30th Oct INSET day

Tues 31st Oct Eagle class WW2 day
Weds 1st Nov Buzzard class WW2 day

Parent Consultation Evening

Thurs 2nd Nov National outdoor learning day

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Fri 3rd Nov Y6 Fort Nelson trip
Friday 17th Nov Children in Need
Weds 22nd Nov Nasal flu vaccines
Fri 15th Dec Last day of term

INSET Days 2023-2024

1st September 2023, 30th October 2023,

Tuesday 2nd January 2024, 19th February 2024, 3rd June 2024

<u>Online Safety</u> Meta have some new parental features for FB Messenger and Instagram.

Updates for Messenger:

- View how much time the child spends on the app.
- Updates on their contact list.
- Notification if the child reports someone.
- View who can message their child.
- View who can see their child's stories.

Updates for Instagram:

Before being able to message someone who doesn't follow them, people must now send a text only invite to connect. No further interaction can take place unless the recipient accepts the invite.