



The Southbourne Junior School Satellite



March 2026 NEWSLETTER

We have had a really busy term with World Book Day, Science Day and lots of engaging and fun learning activities!

◆ **WORLD BOOK DAY** – World Book Day was celebrated with some fabulous costumes, treasure hunts, whose shelfie and a collaborative story. Our reading champions did an amazing job organising all the activities for the whole school to participate and immerse themselves in the love of reading. Thank you also to Mrs Hodgson for supporting our reading champions.

◆ **PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION**—Southbourne Juniors are invited to take part in the Broomfield Schools Photographic Competition again this year. We had lots of entries last year, with 6 certificates of merit and 2 winning entries by Charles Year 6 and Aggi Year 3. Subjects are ‘Local Nature’ & ‘Any Subject’, you can enter one picture for each subject. The deadline for entries will be Saturday 11th April, and the prize giving will be on Friday 1st May at 4.00pm at Emsworth Community Centre as part of the Emsworth Arts Trail. All the details and entry forms are online at: www.smpa.org.uk/photographic-competition.

◆ **SCIENCE FAIR**— Our science week started off with a day of science activities on Monday and finished with our Science Fair after school. Well done to all those who entered, showing their inventions that help improve their experience of their sport or hobby. Thank you to those who came to see the exhibits. A lot of work had gone into their creations.

◆ **EASTER TOMBOLA**—The FOSS Easter chocolate tombola will take place during school hours on Friday 27th March for £2 each. All children that wish to participate and bring in £2 will win a chocolate Easter prize. NO donations are required. There will also be an opportunity to guess the weight of the giant egg for 50p. The closest weight WINS the egg!

◆ **CHEWING GUM**—Chewing gum is not permitted in school. We have had a few cases of children coming into school with chewing gum, this is not allowed in school and is a dangerous choking hazard. Please make sure your child does not have gum in school.

◆ DIARY DATES

9th—13th Mar	British Science Week
Tues 10th Mar	Class Photos Y6 Prinsted Beach
Thurs 12th Mar	Future Flyers PE event
Mon 16th Mar	Y6 Parent SATs meeting
Tues 17th Mar	Osprey Novium Museum
Fri 20th Mar	Merlin Novium Museum

Fri 27th March Outdoor Classroom Day
Y4 final swimming lesson
FOSS Easter Tombola
Last day of spring term

Mon 30th March **Easter Holidays**

Mon 13th April Children return to school for summer term
Mon 20th April Y6 Safety Event
Tues 21st April Falcon Class STEM Enthuse at Bourne
Thurs 23rd April Future Flyers PE event
Mon 27th April Y5 Arundel Wetlands
Tues 28th April Owl Class STEM Enthuse at Bourne
Wed 29th April Open afternoon
Mon 4th May Bank Holiday
Wed 6th May Tri golf
Mon 11th May SATs week
Mon 18th May Sports Week
Fri 22nd May Sports Day am
Mon 25th May **Half term**
Mon 1st June **INSET DAY**
Tues 9th June Falcon Class STEM Enthuse at Bourne
Thurs 11th June Big Sing
Tues 16th June Owl Class STEM Enthuse at Bourne
Tues 23rd June Locality Dance Festival—dance club
Wed 1st July Transition Day
Thurs 9th July Locality Area Sports
Fri 10th July FOSS Summer Fair
Tues 14th July Drama Club Production
Weds 15th July Drama Club Production
Fri 17th July Y6 trip
Mon 20th July Y6 Leavers assembly
Wed 22nd July Last day of term

2026—2027 INSET dates:

1st September 2026, 2nd September 2026, 23rd October 2026
2nd November 2026, 22nd February 2027

ONLINE SAFETY FOCUS—Tips for Raising Digitally Resilient Children. Every parent knows how difficult it is to monitor their children whilst they're online. It can be difficult asking children what they're seeing, their motives, healthy screen habits and more. Written by a clinical psychologist, BBC Bitesize have released some new advice and support for parents.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zwb3tcw>

