

Friday 10th May 2019

South Rise Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been lots of fantastic, yet gruesome, learning happening at South Rise this week. Children in Year 5 have been investigating the 'murder of Mr. Holliday', who was found on the upper floor of the Victorian Building - with a spilled cup of coffee! They have been looking for clues and justifying their thinking in preparation for some inspired writing. Year 6 children have produced reports on 'zombies' and have been creating humorous instructions on how to survive an attack! Meanwhile, children in Year 2 have been experimenting with the medium of charcoal and creating beautiful mountain scenes in the style of the artist they have been learning about. This has been a lovely break from Year 2's hard work and concentration on their SATs tests which are taking place throughout the month of May.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs H Brown
Head Teacher

Mrs S Powell
Executive Head Teacher

School Census Day Thursday 16th May

Next Thursday is Census day. All children should be in school on this day and on time. Census data is necessary to have a clear picture of how the school system is working. It helps us to make sure we are allocating funds where they are needed and that no groups of children are missing out on the education they deserve.

School Closure- Polling Day

Further to our parent email, due to the last minute European Elections on Thursday 23rd May, school will be closed to **ALL** children as our site is to be used as a polling station. Therefore, children's last day before the half term will be Wednesday 22nd May 2019 and they return to school on Tuesday 4th June 2019.

Ramadan

As it is now Ramadan, some children may wish to fast. As a school we are happy for this to go ahead only for children in Year 5 and 6 if we receive written confirmation of this from parents. If children are fasting on some days and not on others, please can you ensure you inform the office. It is not advisable for Year 6 children to fast next week as they will be taking their SATs tests.

Shooting Star Children's Hospice

One of our Year 4 children, Tilly Fulop underwent an amazing transformation last weekend having her long hair cut into a short bob for charity. Tilly has been fundraising for Shooting Star Chase a Children's Hospice and will donate her hair to The Little Princess trust. Tilly said 'I am going to donate my hair to charity because I want to help other children.' Pictures of her transformation are on the next page.

LEAF Open Farm Sunday 2019

On Sunday 9th June, hundreds of farms all over the country will open their gates for **LEAF Open Farm Sunday 2019**. As the farming industry's annual open day, it offers a fantastic chance for people to discover real farming at first hand and see for themselves how their food (and much more besides) is produced. It is also a great way for farmers to shine a light on what they deliver and why supporting British farming matters. Our nearest farms are Woodlands Farm on Shooters Hill, Spitalfields City Farm and Kentish Town City Farm. Plan a great family day out in the wide outdoors!

Dates for your diary!

Points of Interest

Year 6 SATs Week
Mon 13th- Fri 17th May 2019

Year 6 'Matilda'
Tuesday 21st May 2019

Year 5 Chessington
Wed 22nd May 2019

Yr 6 School Journey
Fri 21st June-Mon 24th June 2019

Term Dates 2018-19

Term 5
Tue 23rd April 2019-Wed 22nd May 2019

Bank Holiday
Mon 6th May 2019

Polling Day
Thursday 23rd May 2019

Inset Day
Friday 24th May 2019

Term 6
Tue 4th June 2019-Fri 19th July 2019

Inset Days
Monday 3rd June 2019
Monday 22nd July 2019
Tuesday 23rd July 2019



Our current Value is Trust

Trust is the glue of life.

When trust is broken, sorry means nothing.

Trusting is hard, knowing who to trust is even harder.



Lunchtime Debate

This week's question for consideration is:

“Are the best learners those who know their own strengths and weaknesses not their teacher ?”



J'aime aller au cinema.

(jem ah-lay oh see-neh-mah.)

I like going to the cinema.

Attendance

Very well done to 2SH & 6LS for achieving 100% attendance this week! Whole school attendance was **95.9%**. Thank you for realising the importance of sending your child to school every day. Class attendances were:

FS1	RBW 96.5%	RTG 90.4%	RKP 98.5%				
KS1	1LS 91.8%	1AC 94.2%	1CK 95.0%	2RS 98.3%	2CW 96.3%	2SH 100%	
KS2	3RG 93.8%	3YC 89.3%	3SA 95.8%	4TQ 97.3%	4AJ 97.3%	4SC 96.6%	
	5JR 99.1%	5ND 95.8%	5CD 99.1%	6DH 97.2%	6LW 99.1%	6LS 100%	



Tilly's journey to a new hairstyle in the name of charity!



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Compass News

Curriculum

We know that the curriculum in our schools is strong and we're pleased that curriculum was recognised as a significant strength in all of our schools at our recent Challenge Partners review. We are committed to all children having an engaging, rich and varied curriculum which introduces them to new experiences, ensuring they become confident learners and young people. Recently, there has been a significant focus on curriculum in all schools nationally, following a debate regarding the narrowing of education that has been primarily driven by the accountability system. In light of this we are using this current debate and the new thinking it is generating to review our schools' curriculums. We are working this year to develop an overarching curriculum for Compass schools that can be adapted at a school level for each school's context.

We will consider what we already do well, areas for development as well as key considerations about how children learn well. We will also ensure that we incorporate our 'Eleven before Eleven' aspirations that have been developed by our Child Compass Council. This is a list of things that they believe all children should have experienced before they are 11. The council have come up with ideas such as; learn a basic first aid skill, play an instrument, visit a historical site and know how to be safe on line amongst other things.

To support us further with curriculum planning we are holding a Compass Curriculum Conference on 24th May where teachers will be able to hear about current curriculum thinking from Christine Counsel. Christine was formally Director of Education at the Inspiration Trust and now sits on the OFSTED curriculum panel. She is a pioneer in curriculum development and has a huge amount of experience and expertise in the field. For those of you who'd like to know more she has a blog: 'the dignity of the thing' which is a really interesting read.

Compass Events – open to all of our schools

School/Trust event	Date & Time	Event
Compass Trust	13 th June	Compass Sports Day
Horn Park	29 th June	Summer Fayre
Willow Dene	Every Wednesday	Speakeasy: Coffee morning
Willow Dene	(Every Friday at 10.15)	EYFS Sharing Time: A
Wingfield	9 th May	Times tables and Early Maths (Parent Workshop)
Wingfield	10 th May	Quiz night
Wingfield	6 th June	Handwriting
Wingfield	19 th June	Summer Fayre
Wingfield	20 th June	Spelling
Wingfield	4 th July	Supporting Children with EAL