

Friday 15th September 2017

## South Rise Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Nursery and Reception children started back at school this week. They are settling in nicely and are becoming familiar with school routines. There are lots of great photographs on our Twitter feed, so please take the time to have a look. As part of our focus on the arts this year, our drumming group are busy preparing for their first public event. They will be performing in the Woolwich Carnival on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Miss Jennings and I hope to see parents and children there. Please see the notice boards for more information. Thank you to everybody who has attended the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings over the past two weeks; we hope they have been informative and have given you the chance to talk to staff and find answers to your questions.

I would also like to thank all of the parents and carers who are following the uniform policy. Please remember that 'Kicker' boots, coloured trainers, and shaved designs in hair or unusual hairstyles are not part of school uniform. Earrings should also be small studs only. A copy of the school uniform policy is overleaf so you can ensure your children are appropriately dressed and prepared for school. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

**Mrs H Brown**  
Head Teacher

**Mrs S Powell**  
Executive Head Teacher

### Year 6 Secondary Transfer - Wednesday 20th September

In order for our four main schools Plumstead Manor, Woolwich Poly, Royal Greenwich Free School and Corelli College to attend the meeting we have had to change the date to Wednesday 20th September at 5:00pm. The transition process is an important time for you and your child; we would recommend that you attend this meeting. Secondary School open days and the full school booklet is available on the Royal Greenwich website. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2017.

### Ride your Scooter or Bike to School

In order for children to ride their bikes or scooters to school they must hold a South Rise Licence, have a road worthy bike and wear the appropriate cycle helmet. To apply for your licence please see Jenny Mckerrell.

### Attendance

For our children to gain the greatest benefit from their education it is vital that they attend regularly and your child should be at school, on time, every day unless the reason for the absence is unavoidable.

The national expectation for attendance is currently 96% however at South Rise we aim to achieve 97%. Research shows that there is an extremely strong link between high attendance levels and progress in a child's attainment. It is very important therefore that you make sure your child attends regularly to achieve the best they can.



## Dates for your diary!

### Points of Interest

#### Meet the Teacher

Year 5 - 15th September

#### School Photographer

10th October 2017

#### Parents' Evenings

18th & 19th October 2017

### Term Dates 2017-18

#### Term 1

Mon 4th Sept-Fri 20th Oct 2017

#### INSET Days

Mon 4th Sept 2017

Tue 5th Sept 2017

#### Term 2

Mon 30th Oct-Wed 20th Dec 2017

#### Term 3

Tues 2nd Jan-Fri 9th Feb 2018

#### INSET Day

Tues 2nd Jan 2018

#### Term 4

Mon 19th Feb-Thur 29th March 2018

#### Term 5

Mon 16th April-Fri 25th May 2018

#### Bank Holiday

Mon 7th May 2018

#### Term 6

Mon 4th June-Fri 20th July 2018



### **Our Current Value is Responsibility**

**Responsibility**  
is being fair.

**Responsibility**  
is doing my share of  
the work.

**Responsibility**  
is taking care of  
myself and others.



### **Lunchtime Debate**

**This week's question  
for consideration is:**

**“Are people born  
creative or can it be  
learned ?”**

### **FREE Courses from City Lit at South Rise**

#### **Craft Making**

Tuesday Mornings 9:30am-12:30pm  
12th September - 17th October  
All parents or carers welcome!

#### **ESOL Course**

Wednesday Mornings 9:30am-12:30pm  
13th September - 18th October  
Or

1st November - 6th December  
An opportunity for adults wanting to  
improve and practise their English

#### **Make Do and Sell**

Tuesday Mornings 9:30am-12:30pm  
31st October - 12th December  
All parents or carers welcome!

**To book a place please speak to  
Jenny McKerrell**

### **South Rise School Uniform**

#### **Clothing**

Navy blue jumper or cardigan with South Rise logo—available from the school office

White polo shirt

Grey or black school trousers or skirt

Grey, black or white socks

During the summer months children may wear pale blue gingham school summer dresses or smart school uniform style shorts.

*Please do not send your child to school wearing jogging bottoms, legging, chinos or jean style trousers.*

#### **Shoes and Boots**

Shoes must be plain black and 'sensible' i.e. flat shoes that fasten and are secure on a child's foot, enabling them to engage safely in all school activities. Trainers may also be worn, but the whole trainer, including the sole and laces, must be plain black. Boots are not part of the school uniform. They may be worn into school on very wet, very cold days but your child must then change into their school shoes for the school day. During the summer months children may wear sensible flat sandals that are white or black and attach firmly to the foot (e.g. not flip flop or backless styles). Please do not send your child to school wearing trainers or shoes with other colours added or coloured laces.

#### **PE Kit**

Children in Reception, KS1 and KS2 should bring a PE kit to school. They should wear a white T-shirt, dark shorts and in the winter dark tracksuit bottoms. Children should also bring plimsolls or trainers to change in to for PE.

#### **Jewellery**

Children are not permitted to wear jewellery for school except small, plain, stud earrings. They must be able to remove their earrings for P.E. lessons and will be responsible for their safe-keeping during the lesson. If your child has newly pierced ears they will be asked to cover them for P.E. lessons. Please send a letter to your child's class teacher stating the date of the piercing.

#### **Hairstyles and Accessories**

Hair should be neat and tidy, long hair should be tied back. Hair bands should be plain white, grey, navy or black. Large clips/bows/flowers are not suitable for school.

Hijabs should be plain white, grey, navy or black.

Please do not send your child to school with dyed hair or coloured weaves. If hair beads are worn they should be plain white, grey, navy or black.

*Please do not send your child to school with shaved designs, Mohican or Mohawk hair styles.*

#### **Nail Varnish**

Children should not wear nail varnish to school.