



Summerfield School News

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 28th March** **Wear a Hat Day**
Children are invited to come to school wearing a Hat and non-school uniform in aid of Brain Tumour Research. This is in return for an online donation: [DONATE ONLINE HERE](#)
- 28th March** **End of Spring Term**
School CLOSSES at 3:15pm for Easter Break
- 15th April** **Start of Summer Term**
School OPENS at 08:45am for Summer (1) Term
- 15th April** **EYFS—Immersion Day**
Come dressed as a Superhero
- 15th April** **Year 5—Immersion Day**
Crack the code, clues at school
- 16th April** **Year 4—Immersion Day**
Come dressed as a Modern Architect
- 16th April** **Swimming Lessons**
Year 3
- 17th April** **Year 3—Immersion Day**
Come dressed as a Tourist
- 18th April** **Year 1—Immersion Day**
Come dressed as a fictional or real-life hero
- 6th May** **May Bank Holiday**
School CLOSED to Pupils
- 21st – 24th May** **Year 6 Residential**
- 24th May** **END of Half-Term**
School CLOSSES at 3:15pm

27th – 31st May **MAY Half-Term**

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today marks the end of Spring term. For the children this brings a well-deserved break and a chance for families to spend time together. As you enjoy the days away from school, I would like to ask all parents to encourage their children to read regularly. This week I have been talking to our children about their reading habits and far too many children are still not reading at home. As well as providing relaxation and joy, reading regularly is proven to improve your child’s vocabulary and communication skills. Reading to your child and sharing a book with them is just as important as them reading to you.

THE MILLION WORD GAP

New research shows the different numbers of words kids will have heard by age 5 based on how often parents read to them:

- Never read to: 4,662 words
- 1-2 times per week: 63,570 words
- 3-5 times per week: 169,520 words
- Daily: 296,660 words
- Five books a day: 1,483,300 words



These figures always astonish me but highlight the importance of reading, reading, reading! Holiday Challenge – Try one or all of these...

1. Share a book at bedtime
2. Read for 15 minutes a day
3. Go and read at the local library
4. Read a book to a younger family member
5. Swap 15 minutes on a tablet for 15 minutes with a story

Best wishes,

Becky Daley
Associate Head



Squirrels



Our Topic this half term in Squirrels has been 'How does your garden grow?'. The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning our key stories and exploring a variety of sensory trays linked to each story. The children have worked together to sequence key events of each story enabling them to discuss and orally retell events of each story.

During 'Circle Time', the children have participated in group activities to develop their understanding of their own feelings, identifying what a positive friendship looks like, sharing resources with their friends and developing their listening skills.

The children have enjoyed learning new songs in Geography and are now starting to sing along and recall names of the world's 7 continents and 5 oceans. We will continue learning this during Summer 1.



KS2 Lower

This term we learned about the Anglo-Saxon era and we now know historical facts from this period.

In Art, we looked at illuminated letters and how these influenced the English alphabet. All children had an opportunity to draw and paint an illuminated letter based on their name. These are now displayed in school.



Dreams and Goals



Helping to Make a Difference



KS2 Upper

Last half term, Year 6's Jigsaw theme was 'Dreams and Goals'. Towards the end of the unit the children thought about how they could help to make a difference. They thought of lots of different ways they could help other people and then, more specifically, how they could raise money for Comic Relief. We looked at the stories of children who were supported by Comic Relief funding in different ways. We created a long list of fundraising ideas from drawing on the teachers with felt tip pens to holding cake sales. As you know, Year 6 ended up organising not one, but

three different events: a drawing competition, a dress-down day and, the highlight of the day, a comedy show! There were almost 30 entries to the drawing competition and an amazing 19 acts bravely performed in front of the whole school. Despite there being issues with the microphone, the children carried on regardless leaving children and staff in stitches! The children worked really hard to make sure that all the events were enjoyable. Everyone seemed to have a good time!

House Prints



9170



9771



9146



8033

CELEBRATION Zoom Assemblies

Well done to all the children who were awarded in our Celebration Zoom Assemblies!



Aadiran, Alexander, Amber, Arshiya, David, Desmond, Harvey, Leah, Michelle, Niyahmiya, Theo, Shanthanu and Vivaan



Alvin, Armaghaan, Arturs, Isaac, John, JoJo, Legolas, Lexi-Louise, Mia-Louise, Nidish, Reyansh, Sahaja, Shayla, Tharunn and Vishnu,

EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade...

On Thursday 28th March we held an Easter Bonnet Parade for our EYFS children. They all looked amazing and we are so impressed with all the different variations and the creativity - thank you adults at home! Wishing you all a Happy Easter.



Alice In Wonderland...

On Tuesday 19th March we were lucky enough to have Umbrella Theatre Productions come in and perform to the whole school, Alice In Wonderland. This was made possible by the FOSS Team who funded the event, enabling children have theatre come to them! The children were so engaged and loved the different characters and it was very interactive.

Thank you so much FOSS Team.



FOSS Scavenger Hunt...

Thank you to everyone who supported this event and joined in the fun with the Easter Scavenger Hunt on Wednesday 27th March. An approx. amount of **£225** was raised. These events aren't possible without your support, so thank you.

The FOSS Team had fun and we hope you all did too.



Year 6 Bake Sale...

Thank you everyone who came and purchased some yummy cakes and bakes. £75 was raised which was increased to **£100** by a very kind and generous donation. Thank you so much for your support.

50/50 Draw...

Congratulations to Mrs Krish from Lions class who won **£23** in the March 50/50 draw! The next 50/50 draw will be on **Tuesday 30th April**.



Wear a Hat and Dress-Down Day...

We would like to say a huge heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated towards our Wear a Hat and Dress-Down Day on Thursday 28th March, in support of Brain Tumour Research. Together as a Federation we managed to raise an amazing amount of **£555** online and **£82.45** from the pin badges. This is truly wonderful. Thank you.

**We raised
£637.45**



MK Climb Quest...

10% discount code for the Climb Quest School Reward Programme

We are taking part again in the reward programme for local schools from Climb Quest Milton Keynes. If the name is new to you, Climb Quest describe themselves as where climbing centre meets theme park, featuring over 20 'fun' climbing walls suitable for all abilities and ages (4 years plus).

Our unique school code is **MKSUMMERFIELD2**

10% discount on your climbing session this Spring.

Use our unique school code at the checkout when you book online to get money off climbing sessions at Climb Quest (excluding birthday parties, membership passes, exclusive group bookings, vouchers and after-school clubs). This code is valid for a limited time and cannot be used with any other offer.

Free climbing for the school

Climb Quest will donate 25% of the value spent (ex VAT) using our unique code to the school, to use towards climbing sessions, to give our young people a great confidence building experience. For example, if £500 is spent using our school's unique code, we will receive 10 free climbing spaces to use for a school booking.

How to book

For more information about Climb Quest and to book your sessions, visit www.climbquest.co.uk



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Book your climbing session and spring into action this Easter Holiday. Use your school's unique code at the checkout when you book online at climbquest.co.uk.

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REWARD CARD

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Easter/Spring Half-Term Activities...



National Trust

STOWE:

[Lost Treasures of Stowe! Easter trail - Destination Milton Keynes](#)



**MKPA FREE EASTER EVENTS
AT
WOLVERTON RECREATION
GROUND:**

[MKPA Wolverton Road Rec - EASTER](#)



MK GALLERY CINEMA:

[Kung Fu Panda 4 \(PG\) - MK Gallery](#)



BLETCHLEY PARK:

[Cracking Easter family fun at Bletchley Park - Destination Milton Keynes](#)



FAMILY FIRST SATURDAY:

[Milton Keynes Arts Centre](#)



PARKS TRUST:

[Free Easter Egg trail in Milton Keynes
↓ Willen Lake \(theparkstrust.com\)](#)