

# Summerfield School News

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

7<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day

> Children are invited to come to School dressed as their favourite Book Character, or dress-down

11th - 13th March YR 4/5 Residential

15<sup>th</sup> March Red Nose Day

> Something Funny for Money! Children are invited to come to school in dress-down clothing for a £1 online donation: **DONATE ONLINE HERE**

19<sup>th</sup> March Alice In Wonderland

> FRFF FOSS Event. Theatre Production for the whole school.

22<sup>nd</sup> March FOSS: Year 6 Bake Sale

Outside by the Chickens 3:15pm

26<sup>th</sup> March FOSS: Easter Egg Hunt

Further details to be announced

28<sup>th</sup> March FOSS: 50/50 Club

> Only £1 to enter. The FOSS Team will be on the Gates with buckets in the morning.

28<sup>th</sup> 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 CLOSES at 3:15pm for

Easter Break

15<sup>th</sup> April Start of Summer Term

> School OPENS at 08:45am for Summer (1) Term

19<sup>th</sup> April FOSS: Frozen Friday

Ice Cream Sale

### **HEADTEACHER NEWS**

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back to Spring 2. Although not officially Spring until March 20<sup>th</sup>, it feels much lighter and the days feel longer.

New topics have been started in style! Year 1 experienced a smoky day in London today as part of their work on the Great Fire of London. Year 3 children were detectives yesterday and spent some time questioning staff and looking for clues to find out who had stolen the ancient mask from Sutton Hoo! I was very impressed with their questions.

In Year 2, children experienced Titanic style refreshments. Year 6 ventured out on a walk on their first day back and our Squirrel children have been immersed in lots of sensory and language activities so far!

While learning in the classroom is important, we really are committed to giving every child a range of opportunities and this week has really captured that! Next week we look forward to World Book Day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

We are very sorry to let you know that Miss Byrne had an accident at home this week. She has hurt her back and has been in hospital. She needs at least 6 weeks rest to recuperate and we all send our love and very good wishes. We have explained this to the children in Year 2. We are hoping she will be able to speak to her class via Teams when she is feeling better.

Thank you top all of our school community for working as a great team.

Best wishes,

Becky Daley Associate Head

#### "WELCOME!."

We are pleased to give a warm Summerfield welcome to our new part-time Receptionist, Mrs Thomas





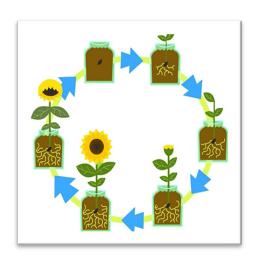






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# EYFS/KS1

This week in Early Years the children have been exploring their new Topic 'How does your garden grow?'. The children have been learning about what plants need to grow and looking closely at different parts of a flower. They have also planted their own seeds to see who's plant grows the quickest.

In Literacy, the children have been reading the story 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. The children then sequenced the story and labelled the food that the Hungry Caterpillar ate.

In Maths, the children have been exploring length. They have been looking at different objects to make comparisons as to whether

the object is tall or short and which object is the tallest and which is the shortest.





### **KS2 Lower**

This half term we will be discovering - The Anglo-Saxons. We will not only be discovering how they lived but looking closely at the Sutton Hoo excavation sight and in particular the discovery of the Sutton Hoo helmet. Our wonderful Immersion Day allowed the children to make a discovery of their own. This not only linked to our History based topic 'The Anglo-Saxons' but supports our English this half term where we will be writing our very own Newspaper Articles for the 'Summerfield Newspaper.' We will be

looking at length and perimeter in maths as well as introducing the children to money. We are looking forward to an amazingly SMASHING SAXON based half term!



# KS2 Upper

What a great start to our new topic 'Beyond Britain.' For our Immersion Day, we cooked a corn soup based on the main ingredient that the Mayan people used in their foods — maize/sweetcorn. We have followed the recipe and used a variety of cooking techniques safely and hygienically. The children were all lucky to take some home to enjoy! We have also made Mayan masks to scare the demons! Can you spot some of our Mayan people?

In History, we will be focussing on learning about the Mayan Civilisation including

their writing and number systems and their beliefs.

In English, for the first couple of weeks, we will be focussing on the exciting 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' story, which the pupils will be writing a summary of the first six chapters of the book.

In Maths, we will continue with converting fractions into decimals using equivalent fractions. i.e.  $\frac{1}{5} = 0.2$ .



### House Points









7150

# **CELEBRATION Zoom Assemblies**

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





























Amogh, Arjun, Aryan, Boubacar, Eleanor, Emily, Finley, Issac, Lilah, Marine, Noah, Olivia, Stacey, Umar



























Amara, Amelia, Bernice, Dinusia, Evelyn, Faith, Freddie, Nezer, Oliver, Reggie, Rishika, Saifan, Suprina and Veronika

#### **STUDENT DATA COLLECTION FORM**

A Student Data Collection Form has been uploaded onto the Weduc Dashboard under the Forms tab.

This is for you to complete with your up-to-date contact details to make sure we have your current information.

You should also be able to use the below link to access the form: **DATA COLLECTION FORM** 

Thank you.













### Reward Points...



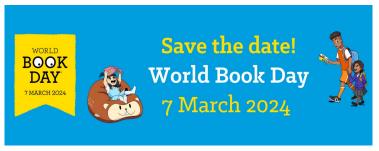
On Friday 16th February two of our Year Groups celebrated reaching 500 Green Behaviour Points.

Year 1 chose a cuddly & cosy day and Year 6 chose to go to the Park for the afternoon.





### March Events...



#### **THURSDAY 7th March**

### WorldBookDay.com

We are really looking forward to World Book Day.

Children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite Book Character, or dress-down if they prefer.

We also have lots of other activities happening in School.

#### FRIDAY 15th March Red Nose Day - Comic Relief

#### **DONATE ONLINE HERE**

Dress-Down Day - Children are invited to come to School on Friday 15th March in dress-down clothing in return for an **online donation** (suggested donation amount £1) We will also be holding a Comedy Show £1 to enter and a Colouring Competition, 50p to enter. Information about this has been sent via Weduc.



### THURSDAY 28th March Wear A Hat Day - Brain Tumour Trust

#### **DONATE ONLINE HERE**

Wear A Hat and Dress-Down Day - Children are invited to come to School on Thursday 28th March wearing a Hat and also in dress-down clothing. This is in return for an **online donation** (suggested donation amount £1)



# **Immersion Days...**

Immersion Days are where Year Groups immerse themselves into their new half-term topic.

# Year 1

What a fantastic and Immersive Day we have had in Year 1, learning about our topic, 'London's burning'! The children imagined being in London in September, 1666, with the help

of videos, stories and a smoke machine! They thought about how they would feel and what they could smell, hear and see. As the fire started in a Bakery, the children tasted different breads and ranked them in order. We also had a special delivery of a mystery box, which

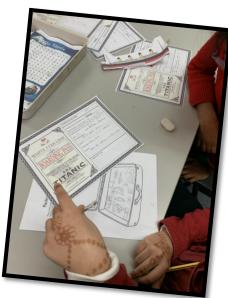
the children decided must belong to Samuel Pepys, due to its contents. We sang songs and also created Great Fire of London art using handprint flames and silhouette houses. We all had a fantastic time back in 1666!



# Year 2

The children in Year 2 are learning all about the **Titanic** and how it sank. During their Immersion Day, they did a variety of activities including filling out their own passenger boarding pass, creating their own food and drink menus, making a model of the Titanic and drawing the Titanic. In the afternoon, they enjoyed a cake and a cup of tea, imagining they were passengers having Afternoon Tea.





# Year 3

Year 3 have started their new topic 'The Anglo-Saxon Chronicles' On Thursday 29th February Year 3 had their Immersion Day, a day of investigating, questioning witnesses, looking for clues and creating Missing posters for our Sutton Hoo Helmet. Our prime suspect in the investigation was of course the lovely Mrs Sharp from the office who played her role so perfectly that the actual police were nearly called. We finished

the day by watching the 'Smashing Saxons' Horrible Histories.



# Immersion Days (continued)...

# Year 4

<u>Untangling the Greeks</u>. On their Immersion Day, Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024, Year 4 dressed up as the Ancient Greeks, made Laurel Crowns, read Greek Myths in pairs, created their own mythical beast and investigated the Greek Alphabet! They listened to the story of Medusa the Gorgon and Theseus and the Minotaur and followed a timeline to find out how Ancient Greeks met the Roman Empire 750 years BC.



# Year 5

Year 5 started their new topic 'Beyond Britain' with cooking recipes from the Mayan Civilization



# Year 6

Year 6 started their new topic 'A Prehistoric Puzzle.' For Immersion Day on Monday 26th February, they walked to Linford Woods to discover early signs of Spring (moss, buds and eaten leaves). They also used a leaf and bug scanner to identify some types of bugs, leaves and trees. Finally, they built dens on a site designed for children to be creative.



# Important Notices...

#### **Weduc** — Reach More Parents

Are you registered on Reach More Parents by Weduc?

If not, you could be missing important communication.

We also use the communication platform for being able to give consent for trips and paying for School Trips and Activities.

It is really important that ALL families access Weduc so you can keep up-to-date with new and current information.

Please make sure you are fully registered on the Weduc App with your address and other details in order to see live offers in your basket.





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Below are links to online user guides:

ONLINE PARENT SUPPORT: ENROLMENT and ACCOUNT Help WEDUC PAYMENTS (by Squid)

Telephone: 01509 221349 Email: support@weduc.com



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#### **Appointments**

Medical Appointments (GP Doctors, Opticians, and Dentist) Must be taken **OUTSIDE** of School hours. Either **before** 08:45am or **after** 3:15pm and anytime during school holidays.

Appointments not only disrupt your child's learning, but also the other children in class and the lesson when a child has to leave. Thank you for your co-operation.



### **Change to Person Collecting**

If someone else will be collecting your child at the end of the day—please inform the Office Staff **BEFORE 1:00pm**.

You can either email: **reception@summerfieldschool.org** or telephone the **Office: 01908 662 585**.

It gets very busy at the end of the day and sufficient time needs to be given for getting messages to Teachers/Classes.

Thank you for you co-operation.



### **Healthy Lunches**



We are a Healthy Eating School. Please be mindful of what your child has in their packed lunch.

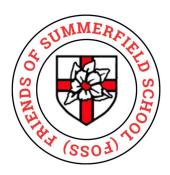
Below are links with ideas and information regarding food types and alternative healthy snacks.

We are a Nut Free School and have several children with severe nut allergies. Please avoid providing food items containing any nuts, peanuts, peanut-butter, hazelnut spread, cereal bars etc. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

HEALTHY LUNCHES - NHS IDEAS

Healthy packed lunches - British
Nutrition Foundation

### FOSS Events...



On **Friday 22nd March** FOSS will be holding a Year 6 Bake Sale! Outside by the Chickens at 3:15pm

On **Tuesday 26th March** FOSS will be running an Easter Egg Hunt. Further details to be announced.

Please remember our next 50:50 Club will be held on **Thursday 28th March** 2024. Only £1 to enter and you can pay cash to the FOSS Team who will

be on the Main Gates in the morning.









# 19TH March 2024

FOSS are excited to have funded a theatre production for the whole school.

UMBRELLA THEATRE PRODUCTIONS WILL BE COMING IN TO PERFORM ALICE IN WONDERLAND.

THERE WILL BE 3 SHOWS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.

#### Valentine's Bake Sale...





Thank you to everyone who supported the FOSS Valentine's Bake Sale on Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th February. With all the yummy cakes they managed to raise an impressive amount of £190.95

# February 50/50 Club...

Congratulations to **Mr Fraser** (Executive Headteacher) who won **£24.50** in the February 50/50 draw.



# SEND at the Federation...



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**EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER: Ian Fraser** 



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ASSOCIATE HEAD: Rebecca Daley

#### **FEDERATION OPERATIONS MANAGER**

Multiple Sites (Permanent)

Grade F from £29,777 to £33,945 per annum (Depending on experience)
Working Hours: To be agreed (Between 7:15am and 5:30pm)

37 hours per week, 52 weeks per year

27 days holiday (plus public holidays), increasing with service

**Start Date: ASAP** 

Working across two sites, Summerfield and Heelands School, we are seeking to recruit a Federation Operations Manager to ensure that the school premises and grounds are maintained to the highest possible standards, providing a clean, safe and secure environment for our pupils and whole school community.

#### You will:

- Confidently assume responsibility for the maintenance and security of the school premises and sites so that everyone in our school community is safe at all times,
- Use your excellent knowledge of Health and Safety protocols to ensure compliancy and robust record keeping and reporting procedures,
- Be openly committed to the vision and direction of the Federation,
- Take responsibility for the management of the school buildings and grounds, as well as day to day maintenance and practical caretaking tasks,
- Organise and oversee the work of onsite contractors for maintenance and premises services in school (including the cleaning team),
- Be able to undertake minor repairs and maintenance tasks,
- Have primary responsibility for the opening and closing of the school premises,
- Have an approachable, warm and welcoming attitude towards the children,
- Oversee and act as first point of contact to facilities lettings as required.

If you would like to be part of our team, please e-mail <a href="mailto:recruitment@heelands.org">recruitment@heelands.org</a> to request an application pack, or contact either school on the above telephone numbers for further details or to arrange a visit.



Interviews:

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Application closing date:

9:00am on Monday 11th March 2024

Shortlisting:

Monday 11th March 2024



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