



# Summerfield School News

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## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

- 26<sup>th</sup> September** *EYFS Phonics*  
2:30pm (Parents Welcome)
- 09<sup>th</sup> October** *Flu Vaccine*  
Further Information to follow
- 14<sup>th</sup> October** *Harvest Festival*  
Further details to be confirmed
- 25<sup>th</sup> October** *End of Half-Term*  
School closes at 3:15pm for the October Half-Term
- 04<sup>th</sup> November** *INSET Day*  
School CLOSED to Pupils
- 05<sup>th</sup> November** *Start of Autumn (2) Term*  
School opens at 8:45am
- 20<sup>th</sup> December** *End of Term*  
School closes at 3:15pm for the Christmas Half-Term

## COLDER WEATHER

With the weather turning colder and wetter, please can children remember to bring with them suitable outdoor clothing and wrap up warm.



## Thank you

Find out more on page 5



## **HEADTEACHER NEWS**

Dear Parents and Carers,

A belated 'welcome back' to the new school year. We have had a flying start to the Autumn term and school is calm and purposeful. As we started back on a Wednesday, I asked teachers and staff to spend the first three days getting to know their children and building the routines, expectations and class identities. This has worked really well and I am proud of everyone for the start we have made.

Miss Daley and I are just finalising the dates for all activities throughout this academic year. Once they are ready (although some may be subject to change), we will share them all with you. They will also be on our website. Speaking of which, we are working very hard in the background on a NEW website for both schools in the federation. This is really exciting and we hope to launch them very soon.

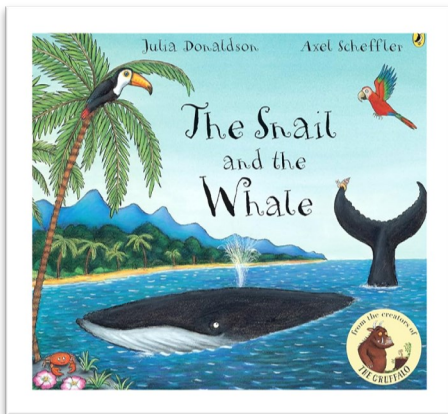
Finally, I just wanted to let you know that Miss Martin will hopefully be back with us in the near future. I know some of you have asked about her and she has had to take some time away from school but we miss her and are hoping she will be back really soon.

Thanks and best wishes,

*Ian Fraser-Kirkup*  
**Executive Headteacher**



## EYFS/KS1



Year 2 have fully immersed themselves in our topic 'Ocean Adventures'. They are busy making Underwater Dioramas as part of their Art and DT and will be investigating different mechanisms to use to make moving fish.

In English they are retelling the story of the 'Snail and the Whale.'

In music they are learning a song called slippery fish and will be using percussion instruments to accompany the song.

In maths they have been building on previous knowledge of place value and

using a variety of maths resources to really embed new learning.

All the children in Year 2 have made a fantastic start to the year. Well done!



## KS2 Lower

Year 3 have made a fantastic start to the year. They have shown that they are enthusiastic, resilient and a hard working cohort.

Our topic for Autumn term is 'Rainforest' and we fully dived into the topic during our Immersion day and learnt about the different layers of the rainforest. We have also had an opportunity to learn a rainforest dance with Miss Wendy. We even transformed our classrooms into the rainforest increasing our knowledge to form different layers of the rainforest.

We cant wait to see what the rest of the term brings us! Exciting times ahead!!!



## KS2 Upper

Year 5 and Year 6 have made a fantastic start in their new classrooms. The Teachers have all been impressed with how the children have settled in and are demonstrating the school values inside and outside the classroom.

Year 6 commenced their new topic Experliarmus by making wands, creating their own potions and playing Quidditch.

Volcanoes were made in Year 5 to launch their new topic, 'Wild Wild World'. Great start Year 5 and Year 6.



## House Points



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# CELEBRATION Zoom Assemblies

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



Alex, Aliza, Eleanor, Jed, Jesse, Mason C, Mason R, Niaa, Samantha, Shayla, Tharunn and Zoha



Aaron, Abigail, Amara, Brianna, Cedric, George, Jagoda, Jonelle, Lucas, Nitya, Oliver, Sarah and Tyler

# School Council...



Alina, Casey, Emily, Esme, Finley, Jed, Kisha, Kysha, Megahlini, Naomi, Rehet, Sarah, Sarim, Tate and Zoha



## Jeans for Genes Day...

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported the Jeans for Genes day on Friday 20th September.

Jeans for Genes week is the UK's only fund and awareness raising week for ALL genetic conditions in the UK. Over 3.5 million people are living with a genetic condition, affecting 1 in 10 families. 75% of rare diseases affect children.

Thanks to your generosity, we have absolutely smashed our target of £300 and raised a whopping £385 as The Blue Sky Federation.

If you haven't yet been able to support the Jeans for Genes day campaign and would like to, you can make an online donation here: [JEANS for GENES Day—Blue Sky Federation](#)



## Notices...

### GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL:

Mornings are a very busy time for all families! We are seeing an increased number of forgotten items being handed to the school office throughout the day. Please make sure school bags are packed the night before or allow enough time in the mornings to make sure your child has everything they need with them. This includes items such as; lunch boxes, water bottles, musical instruments, coats, reading glasses etc. Thank you for your co-operation.

### AUTOMATIC GATES:

School gates open at 08:00am for breakfast club and automatically close at 09:15am. The school day starts at 08:45am where children will be engaging in early morning work. Lateness even by 5 minutes means your child is missing out on essential learning time.

School finishes at 3:15pm. The gates will automatically open at 3:00pm and close at 3:45pm. If you are late collecting your child after 3:20pm they will automatically be sent to Jolly Junglers Care Club and you will be charged.

### ADMISSIONS FORM—NEW STARTERS:

If your child has just started here at Summerfield School, please make sure you have fully completed the Admissions Form. This helps us with important information about your child, including medical/dietary requirements and emergency contact numbers. Please contact the school office if you require help with completing the form.

### MEDICAL INFORMATION:

Please make sure you have notified us of any changes to your child's medical and/or dietary needs. If there is an emergency at school, we will not be able to assist your child effectively if you have not given us correct and current information. It is your responsibility to make sure you have given us up-to-date medication, including in-date asthma pumps.

If your child has a medical condition and requires medication to be given at school, please come to the office to collect an 'Administration of Medication' form for you to complete. Please note that we are only allowed to administer antibiotics if they are prescribed 4 times a day.

### APPOINTMENTS:

Please can we remind families that GP Doctor appointments and Dentist appointments need to be taken **BEFORE 08:45am** when school starts or **AFTER 3:15pm** when school finishes. Having medical appointments during school hours is disruptive to your child's day and interrupts class learning. Not only does your child miss essential learning time, but it also can be unsettling to a class to see a child leave. We understand that for emergency and hospital appointments these need to be taken when given, but when booking a GP Doctor or Dentist appointment, please choose before or after the school day. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Thank you...



### REVAMP!

Over the Summer Holiday's our wonderful Mrs Sharp and her son, Reggie decorated the school office. A chalkboard wall and freshly painted walls for Squirrels class is coming soon. The office was in extreme need of some TLC having not been updated for nearly 10 years. This of course would not have been possible without some extremely kind and generous donations from The Range who donated us two roller blinds, Dulux Decorator Centre who donated several litres of wall paint and Dunelm who donated black chalkboard paint for Squirrels class.

Not only would we like to say thank you to the three above amazing local companies, but none of this would have been possible without our brilliant Mrs Sharp and Reggie who gave up their spare time to improve the office. Thank you.

## Census Day...

Every year, Summerfield is required to complete three statutory returns to the Department for Education. Part of the information sent is a review of the number of meals taken on Census Day (the next one is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October) from children who are eligible for **Universal School Meals / FSM or Pupil Premium**.



The Department of Education will fund schools the money for meals based on the number of meals taken on this specific day for these children. So, if your child did not take the meal on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October but then you decided later in the year for your child to take up their free meal, school would not have the funds to pay for this; the school budget overall would be reduced significantly. We would then have less money to put towards school resources e.g., pens, pencils and exercise books.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> October to ensure we can receive the full funding, your child (**universal school meals / FSM or pupil premium children**) has been booked a meal based on their dietary requirements held by school for those that have not already booked.

Please help us by **not sending in a home packed lunch on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**. As we have to record the actual meals taken, if you allow your child to have home packed lunch we lose the funding for them for the whole year and this has a huge impact on our ability to spend and resource across the curriculum.

We appreciate your support in this matter and thank you in advance for your help.

To celebrate the Census Day, our school lunch provider, Dolce have created a special menu for the day. This can be booked up until 08:30am on the day, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

Thursday 03

Spongebob's Krabby Patty (Choice of Topping)  
 Lilo & Stitch's Hawaiian Pizza Adventure (POD/ CPU)  
 Sonic's Golden Coins (Vegetable Nuggets) (VG)  
 Mr Jacket Potato Head (choice) (GF)  
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 Mickey's All American Fries (VG) (GF)  
 Super Mario Slaw (VG) (GF)  
 Barbie Beans (VG) (GF)  
 Spiderman Salad bar (VG) (GF)  
 Wholemeal Sliced Bread (V)  
 Ken's Ketchup (VG) (GF)  
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 Willy Wonka's Ice Cream Factory (V)  
 Chocolate Gingerbread Man From Far Far Away \*(V)  
 Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)

## Safeguarding...

[PANTS: How to answer questions from your child | NSPCC](#)

