

Summerfield School News

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 20th December** **END of Term**
School closes at 3:15pm for the End of Term Break
- 6th January** **INSET Day**
School closed to Pupils
- 7th January** **School OPEN**
School opens at 08:45am for Spring Term (1)
- 7th January** **Year 5 Immersion Day**
Children are invited to come to school dressed as Scientists.
- 8th January** **Year 3 Immersion Day**
Flying Food Airways. Children are invited to bring in a food dish. Please see your Weduc for further details.
- 8th January** **Year 4 Immersion Day**
Children are invited to come to school dressed as Scientists.
- 9th January** **Year 1 Immersion Day**
Cultures and Countries. Please see your Weduc for further details.
- 22nd - 29th January** **Scholastic Bookfair**
To be confirmed.
- 14th February** **END of Term**
School closes at 3:15pm for the End of Term Break
- 17th - 21st February** **February Half-Term**
- 24th February** **START of Term**
School opens at 08:45am for Spring Term (2)

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you will agree that this year seems to have passed really quickly. For us at Summerfield it has been a successful year. Although success can be measured in our above average SATs results, being voted the 6th best primary school in Milton Keynes or continued excellent feedback from our school improvement partner, we have seen so much success in your children. School trips and visits have been a real highlight. From visits around Central Milton Keynes to Youth Hostelling in Wales, we have seen your children grow in confidence and take on a variety of challenges. As we go into 2025 we will continue to provide these varied experiences which add dimension and enjoyment to learning.

Behind the successes of the year lies a dedicated and loyal staff team and our valued volunteers. Thank you to each and every person who keeps the cogs of Summerfield turning. In 2025 we welcome Mr Josh Burns and Mrs Kathryn Paragreen as Learning Support Assistants. They are both excited to be joining this vibrant community and were full of praise for our well behaved, well mannered and hardworking children who they met at interview.

Finally we say a last good bye to Mrs Elgar and Mrs Sharp – We thank them both for their care and hard work. We wish them every happiness as they take up posts in different schools and they will certainly be missed.

We wish every family a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break and a happy and healthy new year.

With all good wishes from,

Becky Daley and Ian Fraser-Kirkup
Associate Head Executive Headteacher





EYFS/KS1

This half term, Year 2 have learned all about Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole in our 'Time Travellers' topic. They have learned about Florence and Mary's lives, how they are significant and the impact they have had on the present day. This fed into our Science topic this half term, which has looked at how to keep healthy and have good hygiene. In English, they have written their own diary entry, as if they were Florence Nightingale. In Maths, we have focused on practising and securing their knowledge of addition and subtraction. They have got creative in

Music and have enjoyed playing the xylophone. In Art, the children have experimented with mixing colours and shading which resulted in them producing their own space painting. Finally, the children learned all about rockets in DT. They have designed and made rockets, thinking about how to make them aerodynamic and stable so that their rockets would fly. They had an amazing time launching their rockets. Well done Year 2 on a fantastic first term!

KS2 Lower

Wow! What an amazing end to a fabulous first term in Year 3. We absolutely loved our Science week and learnt so much about Rocks and being Scientists!

We have made progress in all areas but we are super proud of our improvement in handwriting so far! We had loads of fun going to the cinema and loved our popcorn and chocolatey treat!

The Year 3 team are so proud of all of Year 3 for their hard work, cheeky smiles and love of learning. We hope you have an amazing Christmas break and we can't wait to see you all again in 2025!!!

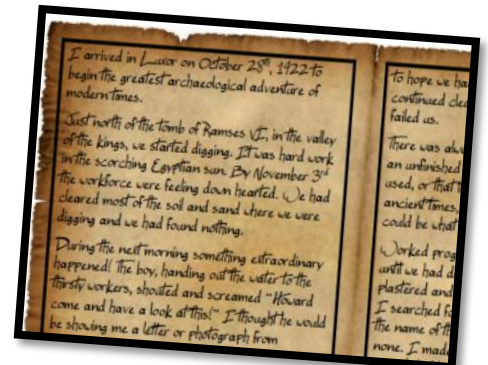


KS2 Upper

We have come to the end of an exciting unit in Year 6 called 'The Secrets of the Sarcophagus,' where we have been Historians looking at the Ancient Egyptians. In particular, we have researched burial methods as well as the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb by Howard Carter. We made our own mummies out of cloth and canopic jars from clay.

As usual in Year Six, we have also been doing a lot of writing! We wrote a diary entry as Howard Carter and our final piece this half term was a story starter.

We have worked so hard this term we are all very much looking forward to a rest over Christmas!



House Points



1292



1118



1218



1480

CELEBRATION Zoom Assemblies

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



Bhavanga Clayton David Katie Lucas Nitya Noah Olivia H Olivia P Ronnie Siddhiksha and Vivaan

Yr 2 Elsa Fun

Year 2 had fun with Elsa on Monday 16th December as a treat for all their hard work this half-term. We are all very proud of you.



Yr 5 Green Points Reward

Both Year 5 class enjoyed a well-deserved class green point treat during the afternoon of Thursday 19th December 2024. We all walked up to our local park and had great fun using all the equipment. All the adults would like to congratulate the Year 5 children on how hard they have been working this term. Well done!

Nativity...

On Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th December EYFS and Year 1 had their Nativity. We are so proud of all the children and what an incredible job you all did. There was so much hard work that went into the performances with loads of rehearsals and practices and the children did so well with all the songs and actions and lines.

A big huge thanks must go to Becky Moffatt and Jude Watt for their Production Managerial skills. We would also like to say a massive big thank you to all the staff who supported the performances throughout. Thank you to; Jeni Dowman, Amanda Smith, Louise Sutton, Charlotte Griffiths, Lily Major and Tiffany White





Father Christmas: ...



Father Christmas and his Elf came in to visit on Thursday 19th December to spread some festive cheer to our Early Years and Squirrels Class children.

Lots of gasps, smiles and shrieks of laughter were heard from the children as Father Christmas visited the classes. It was so lovely to see.

Huge thanks Father Christmas and your lovely Elf for visiting us here at Summerfield School.



PS5 Winner: ...



FOSS: PS5 PRIZE DRAW

Thank you to all those who supported this event and bought tickets.

The winner has been notified and PS5 collected.

A video of the draw will be uploaded after Christmas so that no surprises are ruined!

Once again thank you so much for all your support with the FOSS events.

OPAL: ...

OPAL MEETING UPDATE

Thank you to all those who attended the two meetings on Tuesday 3rd December. It was really well attended and we hope you found it useful.

We still need lots of play resources, if you feel you would like to donate something from our Amazon WishList, please do take a look at what else we need. Thank you so much.

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SITE CLEARING DAY:

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OPAL on WEBSITE:

If you want to find out further information about OPAL you can check out further details and updates on our [OPAL PAGE](#). You can also find on the website our Summerfield Play Policy which is very detailed with further information.

TERM DATES:

Friday 20th December: School CLOSES at 3:10pm

Monday 6th January: INSET DAY—School closed to Pupils

Tuesday 7th January: School OPENS at 08:30am



Safeguarding: ...

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