

## Upcoming dates for your diary:

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** – May Day bank holiday – school closed

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May** – Wear red, white and blue to celebrate Kings Coronation. Tea party in the afternoon

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Kings Coronation Bank Holiday- School closed



## Kings Coronation Celebrations.

In order to mark the King' Coronation, we are planning a celebration for pupils on the afternoon of **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**. Children can come to school dressed in **red, white** and **blue** to celebrate the occasion.

In the afternoon we are planning for all classes to come together to have a tea party. Fosi have kindly donated a small commemorative gift for each child to mark the occasion.

## Southbroom Values

Our value of the term is **caring**. The children at Southbroom Infants are very caring towards their peers. Let's see if we can all show at least one act of kindness each day to show how we much we care.

### Term 5 – Thoughtfulness



## Friday Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who have dazzled us this week with their hard work and brilliant learning behaviours:

Skylarks – **Rex** – *'For super sentence writing.'*

Kingfishers- **Loki** – *'For being so helpful and caring to his friends.'*

Tawny Owls – **Alfie H-H** – *'For great handwriting.'*

Snowy Owls – **Matthew** – *'For brilliant persuasive writing.'*



## Our new Southbroom attendance mascot!

Meet 'Top Dog'. Top dog is our new attendance mascot who has arrived at Southbroom to monitor our attendance. The class with the highest attendance each week will have the responsibility of hosting Top Dog in their classroom for the week.

**This week's winners are: Tawny Owls**

## House Point Cup Weekly Winners



**Avebury – 336**

**West Kennet – 321**

**Stonehenge – 329**

**Silbury – 309**

**Congratulations to Avebury who are this week's winners!**

## Attendance At Southbroom Infants'

At Southbroom Infants' we know the positive impact that good attendance and punctuality has on pupil progress. The table below outlines the impact that poor attendance has on a pupil's education.

Surely 1- or 2-days absence a week doesn't seem much, but this is how it is...

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that is...
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

If your child is late 10 minutes a day, surely that won't matter or affect my child...

Only missing just...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that is...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ a year
20 minutes per day	1 hour, 40 minutes per week	Over 2 ½ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 minutes per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years

## Remember – “Be on time at ten nine!”

As a school we start teaching phonics as soon as the children arrive at 8.50am. Phonics is a vital step in teaching pupils to read. If your child is late to school, this will have an impact on your child's reading journey.

If you would like any support with your child's attendance or punctuality, please do not hesitate to contact the school

## Reception trip to Dauntsey Forest School

As you know our reception children attended a Forest School session at Dauntsey last Friday. The group leaders at Dauntsey commented on how well behaved our Skylarks children were. We are all so proud of our Reception children and how they demonstrated our Southbroom CALM code throughout.



The children enjoyed laying in the leaves and listening to the sounds that they could hear, climbing trees, making mud animals and of course eating cookies, marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate.

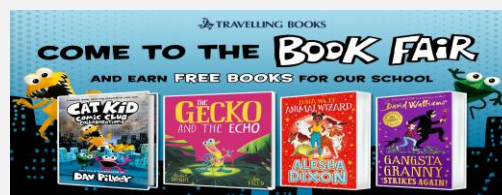
## Parent Coffee Morning with Mrs Pletts

Mrs Pletts is running her Friday coffee mornings at 9am every other Friday starting next week on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Please feel free to drop in for a chat if there are any issues you would like to discuss or if you are looking for support – or just pop in for a cuppa and a biscuit!



## Book Fair

Thank you to those of you who came and supported our Book Fair last week. We are pleased to tell you that we raised a total of £191.72 to be spent on books for the school.



## Do you have a child aged 0-5years?

Here are some exciting upcoming events that are being run at our local Children's Centres.

**Mighty Minds**  
Supporting Children's Feelings and Emotions

Come and join our session on identifying children's feelings. Learn new ways to relax together and help sooth their emotions.

Join us at  
**Devizes Scout Hut**  
Southbroom Road  
SN10 5AD

On  
**Thursday 25th May**  
10am-11am

For more information on Wiltshire Children's Centres and the support available, call 0800 970 4669 or check out the website [www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirechildrenscentres.org.uk)

For families with children 0-5yrs

**Mighty Me**  
Supporting Children's Self Care and Independence

Learn how you can help your child gain more confidence in the everyday skills of being independent through making their own choices.

Join us at  
**Windmill Hill Children's Centre**  
SP9 7QR  
**Thursday 4th May**  
10am-11am

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