

Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Tuesday 23rd September, 2025

A Great Start to the Year

Over the first few weeks of the academic year, we have seen that the children have made a brilliant start. We can see excellent manners and behaviour, a great attitude towards learning and also a greater sense of responsibility and maturity from those pupils who have moved on to another part of school. Well done everybody.

Attendance

Thank you all for the great start that has been made with attendance.

214 pupils have 100% over the first 3 weeks of term - this is amazing!

Good attendance is so important to learning and for establishing strong friendships.

Our attendance rewards will continue this year - everyone who has 100% for the year will receive a gift voucher. Everyone who has over 96% for the year will be entered into a prize draw for a tablet computer. We also have rewards for 100% and getting over 96% each term.

Reading and Homework

Children have made an excellent start with the weekly 3-Read Challenge and the spelling homework - thank you for your support!

Events and Dates

We have a lot going on over Autumn term - please check the dates on the back!

World Mental Health Day

On Friday 10th October we're "Going Bright for Mind" to show young people that they're not alone with their mental health. If they wish, children can come to school wearing something bright. We will also have activities promoting positivity and good mental health.

Parents' Evening & Uniform

We will be holding two parents' evenings on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th October. A letter will be sent on Monday 27th September to explain how to book appointments on MCAS or online. Also on the parents' evenings, clean pre-loved school uniform will be available to collect from a stand in the main hall.

Halloween Disco

We are pleased to inform you that on Thursday 23rd October, we will have a Halloween disco after school. There will be a disco for reception, year 1 and year 2 pupils from 3:45pm until 4:30pm. The disco for years 3 to 6 will start at 4:45pm and finish at 5:30pm. Children can come in appropriate Halloween costume if they wish and there will be prizes for the best-dressed! Tickets will cost £2.50 and this includes a drink, sweets and a bag of crisps - additional sweets, drinks and hot dogs will be on sale.

Tickets will be on sale nearer the date from Miss Horsley and Mrs Towle.

Feren's Art Gallery

Many of our pupils have had art work accepted into the Young Artist Exhibition at the Feren's Art Gallery. Well done to all of those who entered, especially to Lilly who has won a prize and Daniel whose work is used for the advertising poster.

The accepted work will be on display from 10th October to 11th January.

Water Bottles and Fruit

Please remember that pupils are only allowed water in their bottles to drink through the day. Children are allowed to bring a piece of fruit for break time if they wish.

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 24th Sept: Y5 Bikeability Group 2 (Mornings only)

Thurs 25rd & Fri 26th Sept: Y5 Bikeability Group 3 (All day)

Wednesday 24th - Fri 26th Sept: Y6 PGL Visit

Thursday 2nd October: National Poetry Day

Tues 7th and Weds 8th Oct: Parents' Evenings 3:30 - 6:00pm

Friday 10th October: World Mental Health Day

Thursday 23rd October: Y1 & Y2 Harvest Festival Performance

Thursday 23rd October: Halloween Disco

Mon 27th - Friday 31st October: Half term holiday (school closed)

Monday 3rd November: School re-opens after half-term break

Mon 10th - Fri 14th November: Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 14th November: Children in Need day