



Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Friday 29th September 2023

Kings and Queens

The children have made a wonderful start to this academic year. They have been enjoying their whole school theme, Kings and Queens, and have produced some high-quality work. In the Early Years, the children have been studying medieval times. They've made models of castles and they've been reading stories with kings, queens and knights as characters! Years 1 and 2 have been learning all about the Victorians. They had a lot of fun on their Victorian dress-up day and they're looking forward to their school trip to Wilderspin School Museum. Meanwhile, Years 3 and 4 have been learning all about the Tudor era and Years 5 and 6 have been learning about Boudicca. **Keep up the fantastic work!**



Attendance and Punctuality

All of the children came back to school after the summer holidays looking smart in their school uniforms, and ready to learn! Attendance across the first few weeks has been excellent - well done everyone and thank you for your support!

Please can I remind everyone to avoid booking holidays during term-time. Whilst I understand that holidays are often cheaper during term-time, a period of absence can have a huge impact on a child's learning. Not only do they miss out on lessons whilst they are away, but learning and confidence can also be impacted when they return as they find it difficult to catch up with their peers. The same applies for punctuality - it is not always possible for teachers to recap learning for those children who have arrived late, which means that children can find it difficult to settle into their lessons. I know it's not always easy, but please try to arrive at school between 8.45am and 8.55am.

Thank you for your understanding and support.



Fun at the Fair!

To celebrate the start of Hull Fair next weekend, we will have a special menu on **Thursday 5th October**. The kitchen will be serving hotdogs, burgers and curly fries with doughnuts for pudding. We will also have vegetarian burgers and hotdogs as well as jacket potatoes and sandwiches.

Exciting Activities

Alongside their work in the classroom, our children have also been taking part in lots of extra activities. The Reception children have enjoyed welcoming parents into school for the weekly stay and read sessions. KS1 have been learning how to ride balance bikes safely in their Pre-Pedal lessons, Y3/4 have been taking part in Pedestrian Skills and Rackets Cubed sessions, and our Y6 children have graduated at Hull University after their week of Into University lessons.

Upcoming Events

Mon 2nd and Tue 3rd Oct:	Year 5 Bike ability - Group 1
Thursday 5th October:	Fun at the Fair menu
Friday 6th October:	National Poetry Day
Mon 9th and Tue 10th Oct:	Year 5 Bike ability - Group 2
Tuesday 10th October:	World Mental Health Day
Tuesday 10th October:	KS1 Wilderspin School Trip (Rabbits and Owls)
Wednesday 11th October:	KS1 Wilderspin School Trip (Foxes)
Wednesday 11th October:	Y3/4 Pedestrian Skills
Mon 16th and Tue 17th Oct:	Year 5 Bike ability - Group 3
Tuesday 17th October:	Parents' Evening (more details to follow)
Wednesday 18th October:	Parents' Evening (more details to follow)
Friday 20th October:	Y3/4 Bempton Visit (more details to follow)
Monday 23rd October:	Whole school Spanish Week
Thursday 26th October:	KS1 Harvest Festival
Friday 27th October:	Y3/4 Bempton Visit (more details to follow)
Friday 27th October:	Last day before half-term break
Monday 6th November:	School opens after half-term break