

Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Tuesday 21st March, 2023

Living Bus Shelters

Last week, visitors came into school to make seed bombs with Y3 and Y4.

"Early this morning, Hull City Council and Yorkshire Wildlife Trust came. They told us about all kinds of different animals and insects like a barn owl, robins, mice and a lot more. They also told us that they are putting lots of plants, flowers and grass on the bus stops so little creatures can find a new home. Isn't that exciting? After that, we drew some animals and then drew with our eyes closed. That was very hard. We learned how to make a seed bomb. You could only take one home. In the seed bomb there was soil, flour, seeds and water. This has been a fantastic, super day." By Archie in Y4.

"This morning, the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust visited Year 3 and 4 and told us about the bus shelter project. They showed us different species of insects and animals. Then we drew insects and after we drew with our eyes closed! Next, we made seed bombs. The ingredients were soil, flour, seeds and water. I enjoyed the drawing because I am good at art, also I enjoyed the drawing with my eyes closed because I loved seeing my picture."

By Heidi in Y4.



Attendance Awards

We currently have 160 children who are on track for meeting the government's 96% attendance target this term. 97 of those are currently at100%! This is a simply amazing effort - thank you all for your support. Awards and prizes will be given out on the last day of term so keep working hard to be in school and on time every day. Everyone who has 96% attendance or better for the whole year will go into a prize draw to win some excellent prizes including Smyth's Toy Superstore vouchers and the star prize of a Samsung tablet computer.

If you are below 96% at the moment you still have chance to get back above the target by being in school every day.

Rockstars Day

On Thursday 30th March, we will celebrate the introduction of Times Tables Rockstars by holding a Rockstars Day. Everyone can come dressed up as their favourite Rockstar (or popstar, or musician!). There will be a prize for the best costume in each class and a prize for the winner of the times table challenge for each year group. There will also be a reward for everyone who comes dressed up!

Administration of Medicines

Just a reminder about our administration of medicines in school.

The Academy's Administration of Medicines Policy states that:

- The Academy will only give medicines that have been prescribed by a doctor, dentist, nurse
 prescriber or pharmacist prescriber. The medication MUST be in its original container,
 including any label with the child's name and prescribed dosage;
- The Academy will only administer prescribed medicines in cases where it is required to be administered 4 times a day. This includes prescribed paracetamol and/or ibuprofen. This is because if a medicine needs to be administered 3 or less times a day, it can be done around school times at home;
- Medicines MUST be brought to the office by the parent/carer NOT given to the child to hand to their teacher or keep in their bags (with the exception of Asthma inhalers – see Asthma Policy);
- When bringing the medication to the office the parent/carer should complete and sign the 'Request for the Academy to Administer Medication' form and hand it in to the office staff;
- All medicines should be collected by the parents/carers or nominated responsible adult when it is no longer required. It is the responsibility of the parents/carers to dispose of the medicine in a safe manner.

The Administration of Medicines and Asthma Policies are available on our Academy website.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 23rd March: Y3/4 Easter performance (at St. Aiden's)

Thursday 30th March: Gold ticket shop and behaviour reward afternoon

Times Tables Rockstars Day

Friday 31st March: Last day before the Easter break

Monday 17th April: School re-opens for summer term

Monday 24th April: Y6 Mock SATs week

Tuesday 2nd May: 5W IntoUniversity Workshop

Thursday 4th May: 5C IntoUniversity Workshop

Monday 8th May: Coronation Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9th May: Y6 SATs week

Monday 15th May: Y2 SATs week