



Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 6th November

Early Years

What did we learn last half term?

The children enjoyed exploring our theme titled 'Our World.'

In English, we read stories about starting school, why we are all special and about different types of families. We learnt about how we change as we grow and about why we are all unique and special, including why we love our families. We drew and painted our own portraits. In science, we explored signs of autumn, thinking about the weather we see and what we need to wear to stay warm! Bumblebees and Honeybees also learnt about the life cycle of a pumpkin.

We had a lovely time with parents during our Stay & Plays

Thank you to all who attended!



What are we learning this half term?

We're excited to start our new theme for this half term: **Food**.

In English, we will be reading stories about different food from around the world including a book called 'The Disgusting Sandwich'. This will help us to draw pictures and write about familiar books.

In Geography and Science, we will be learning about where food comes from, famous dishes from around the world and how food is harvested. Bumblebees and Honeybees will be designing and making their own sandwiches. There are lots of special celebrations at this time of year. We will be learning about Diwali, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day and Christmas.



What Can You Do to Help?

- Please make sure you label any of your child's belongings to help us ensure nothing gets lost.
- In Reception, it would really help your child to practice their reading each day, using the QR codes sent home. Please sign their reading records **3 times a week**.
- Try to help your child learn their numbers to 10. This could be done through counting games or nursery rhymes like '5 little ducks'.
- Encourage your child to put on and take off their own coats, including zips and buttons.

Dates for Your Diary

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

Monday 10th November: Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 11th November: Remembrance Day

Tuesday 11th November: Nasal Flu Vaccine catch-up

Friday 14th November: Children in Need

Monday 17th November: Hull KR Super League Grand Final Trophy Visit

Thursday 11th December: Bumblebee and Honeybee Nativity Performance

Monday 15th December: Inspire Afternoon

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Party Afternoon

Thursday 18th December: Magic Carpet Theatre Company

Friday 19th December: Talent Show

Friday 19th December: **Last day before winter break**

Mon 22nd Dec - Mon 5th Jan: Winter holiday

Monday 5th January: INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Tuesday 6th January: **School re-opens after winter break**