



Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 1st May , 2025

Years 3 and 4

What did we learn about last half term?

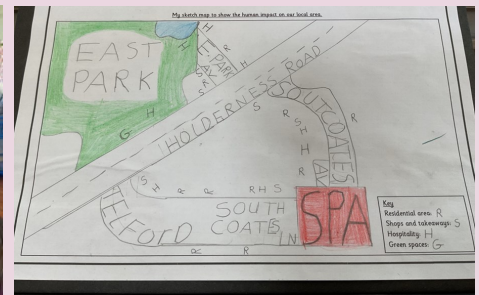
Last half term, we read the playscript 'Bombs and Blackberries' by Julia Donaldson. We then wrote our own scene for a playscript set in World War II and a description of one of our main characters.

In geography, we went on a walk around our local area and then drew a sketch map of our route.

We continued our fitness work with the sports coach and we all definitely improved in the different exercises.

In music, we continued our work with Mr Higley, learning some new songs on the glockenspiel—we are sounding really good when we play!

We all worked really hard on our Easer performance and loved learning all the songs. We had a great time performing it to the school and our grown ups!



What are we learning this half term?

This half term is our 'Chocolate' theme! In DT, we will be designing and making our very own chocolate bar, before taste testing each others to see how we got on! In geography, we will be learning about rainforests. We will be looking at the structure of the rainforest and the locations of different rainforests around the world. We will be learning lots more about rainforests, as well as seeing some of the animals that live there, when we visit Yorkshire Wildlife Park in a few weeks!

We are reading the book 'The Great Kapok Tree' in English, which is set in the rainforest, and will be writing our own fact file about some of the animals that live there.



What Can You Do to Help at Home?

In Year 3/4, your weekly homework will include:

- Spellings to learn (these will be given on a Friday and tested the following Friday).
- Three reads
- Access TTRockstars for at least 15 minutes a week.

This half term our PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Attendance

Last term, our whole school attendance was 95%

Class attendance: Dolphins - 95% Penguins - 95% Turtles - 93%

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 5th May:	Bank Holiday Monday (school closed)
Wednesday 21st May:	Y3/4 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Tuesday 6th May:	Year 4 swimming starts (every day for 2 weeks)
Friday 23rd May:	School Photograph Day
	Last day before half-term break
Mon 26th May - Fri 30th May:	Half-term holiday
Monday 2nd June:	School re-opens
Tuesday 3rd June:	Year 4 IntoUniversity Workshop
	Penguins restarts Rackets Cubed
Friday 6th June:	Humberside Police E-Safety talks Y3-Y6
Thursday 12th June:	Black, White and Red Day
Wednesday 18th June:	Sports Day (timings TBC)
Tuesday 24th June:	Penguins last Rackets Cubed session
Friday 27th June:	Summer Fair
Wednesday 2nd July:	Open Evening / Meet New Teacher (3:30 - 4:30)
Mon 7th - Friday 11th July:	Internal transition days this week
Friday 18th July:	Last Day of Term
Wednesday 3rd September:	School re-opens for new academic year.