

Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 27th February, 2025

Years 3 and 4

What did we learn about last half term?

In Year 3 and 4 we have had a jam-packed half term. In English, we read My Secret War Diary linked to our theme World War 2. We wrote setting descriptions and a letter as an evacuee, as well as an acrostic poem.

In History we learnt, about key events from World War 2 and the roles of women on 'The Home Front'. We created our own museum from artefacts loaned through Magical Museums Service and researched how the items would be used throughout the war.

In Art, we created landscape paintings of the Blitz using a colour wash and a black silhouette skyline. We then displayed our artwork at the 'Southcoates Art Exhibition' Thankyou to all who came to celebrate the children's work.

In P.E, we have been taking part in Fit for Life. Learning about why we exercise, building our strength and the importance of keeping healthy.



What are we learning this half term?

This half term, out Theme is 'Our City'. We will be investigating the impact World War 2 had on our local area and the changes that have happened since. In Design and Technology, we will be practicing our wood work and creating an Anderson Shelter linking in our Science work of 'Light'.

In writing, we are reading the book Bombs and Blackberries. From this, we will be writing a playscript extract and a character description.

In PSHE Jigsaw, we will be looking how to be healthy in our 'Heathly Me' unit.

We will also be very busy rehearsing our Easter play in preparation for our performance at the end of this term!

Reminders

- In Year 3/4, your weekly homework will include:
- \Rightarrow Spellings to learn (these will be given on a Friday and tested the following Friday).
- \Rightarrow Three reads
- \Rightarrow Access TTRockstars for at least 15 minutes a week.
- This half term our <u>PE days</u> are <u>Tuesdays and Thursdays</u>
- ⇒ Your child must have their PE t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms/shorts and appropriate footwear.
- For a snack at break time, children can bring in 25p for tuck shop, where they can purchase a piece of fruit, or bring in their own fruit from home.

<u>Attendance</u>

Last term, our whole school attendance was 94% Class attendance: Dolphins - 94% Penguins - 93% Turtles - 93%

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 4th March - Turtles restart Rackets Cubed (4 consecutive weeks) Thursday 6th March - World Book Day (come to school dressed as an animal!) Friday 14th March - Red Nose Day (wear something red!) Monday 17th March - WOW Strider mascot visit Wednesday 26th March - World Maths Day (dress as a rockstar day!) Thursday 27th March - Easter performance to parents at St Aiden's church, 1:45pm Wednesday 2nd April - Inspire afternoon Friday 4th April - School closes for Easter <u>Tuesday</u> 22nd April - School reopens after Easter Tuesday 6th May - Y4 swimming starts