

# South Avenue Primary School

## End of Term 4 Newsletter



Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

Can you believe that we are two thirds of the way through our school year and how lovely it has been to see some sunny days and the lighter evenings. It has also been an extremely busy term – we loved World Book Day, with great imagination shown by the children bringing in their favourite books and dressed as their favourite book characters.



It has been wonderful to see our South Avenue families pulling together and supporting the victims of the war in Ukraine with your generous donations.

This is just a small snapshot of your kindness and support.

Sports Relief for Comic Relief Day was fab! We all enjoyed dressing up in our favourite sports gear jump roping with Jump Rope Chris. What dedicated and resilient children we have. We raised £212.51 for this worth while cause.



The theme for British Science Week, this year, was growth and as we learn to live with COVID and school life begins to return to some resemblance of normal, I have been very proud of how the children of South Avenue have grown in their confidence and resilience over the year.

The children were incredibly excited when we took delivery of the Living Eggs and 3 chicks hatched on their first day in school! All the eggs hatched, with 10 healthy chicks, who grew quickly over the fortnight with us.



It has been wonderful to be able to have parents and visitors in school and Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 have all held their class assemblies for parents this term – this has been an opportunity for the children to share their learning through their books and topic work.



One of my highlights of the term was going to the Marlowe theatre with our children from Drama Club and watching them perform *Much Ado About Nothing* on the stage. The children's behaviour was impeccable, and they were superb ambassadors for the school. They really were a real credit to us all.

We may well have some stars of the future in our midst!



Over the last 9 weeks 11 year 6 children have taken part in the Kent Police Mini Cadets Programme. They have learnt many new skills and have all proven themselves to be very worthy. PCSO Ian Henderson applauded the children for their respect and organisation, always being ready in their mini cadet uniforms for each session.

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March the children's hard work was recognised in a Passing Out Parade held in school where their achievements were celebrated with family and their Year 6 friends.

We are exceptionally proud of all of the cadets and hope that the skills they have learnt will be valuable for them for the future. A special mention goes to Danny, who was voted as the mini cadet sergeant.



Thank you for all your fantastic support this term with our fundraising events. We managed to produce and distribute just over 140 Mather's Day Teas and hope that they were enjoyed by everyone that received them. A big THANK YOU goes to the wonderful catering team that provided the delicious scones. We are starting to plan for future events and celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. If you would be interested in joining our small but hardworking team of volunteers, then please contact either Miss Mace or Mrs Purves on the Friends email [ptfa@southavenue.kent.sch.uk](mailto:ptfa@southavenue.kent.sch.uk).

Finally, I would like to wish you all a fantastic Easter break – with hope for some warm and sunny days to enjoy!

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing everyone when we return on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April.

Kind regards

Miss Cadwallader  
Head of School





## Community, Courage, Commitment, Collaboration, Creativity & Challenge.

Frankie has been enjoying listening to lots of children read in Year 1. The children have also enjoyed spending time with Frankie and sharing their thoughts and feelings.

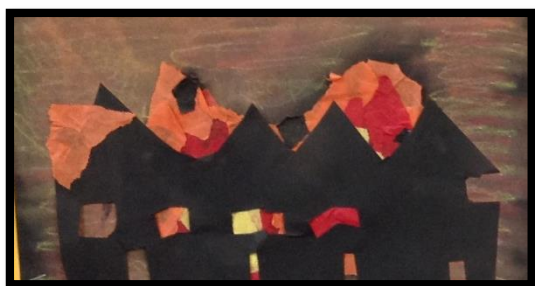


**Year 2** have really enjoyed our topic of The Great Fire of London this term. We started the term with a bang by pretending to be the bakers on Pudding Lane, making our own delicious bread rolls.



In Art, **Year 2** created some fantastic chalk pictures based on the paintings by Jan Griffier. The children really enjoyed making their own art pieces and they all looked fantastic.

In English, we created some brilliant instructions on how to make bread rolls, a diary entry written from the perspective of someone who was in the fire, a setting description and a non-chronological report on how to stay safe during a fire.





### Year 3

We were absolutely astounded by the incredible homework dioramas created by children in Year 3 last term. We'd like to celebrate and share Emily, Tiffany and Charlie's fantastic projects with you all! Well done 😊



To round off their 'Under the Sea' topic **Year 4** went on a trip to the London Sea Life Centre. The children got to see a large variety of ocean life up close, learnt more about environmental issues and loved seeing London landmarks from the coach.

*"I saw lots of fascinating animals and I even got to touch a starfish!"* Frankie

*"I liked seeing the jellyfish and how they moved."* Phoebe K

*"I loved the penguins and walking through the shark tunnel."* Riley







Year 2 Ballet Club members performed for family and friends. They all worked very hard this term learning ballet steps and a dance.



**James S, Charlie H, Jarrell I, Ethan K, Ryan P, Harvey W, Trixi W, Charlie H (C), Joshua R, Connor A-C**

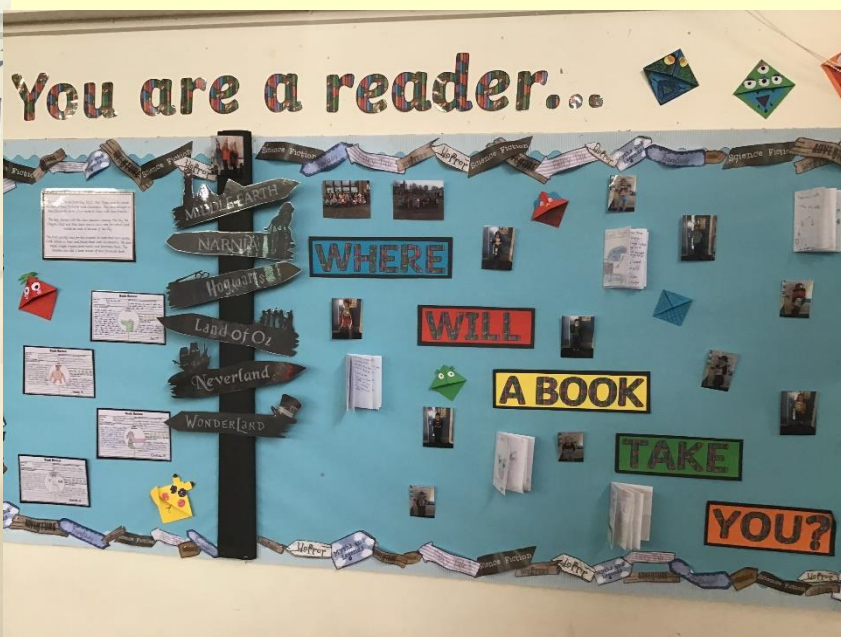
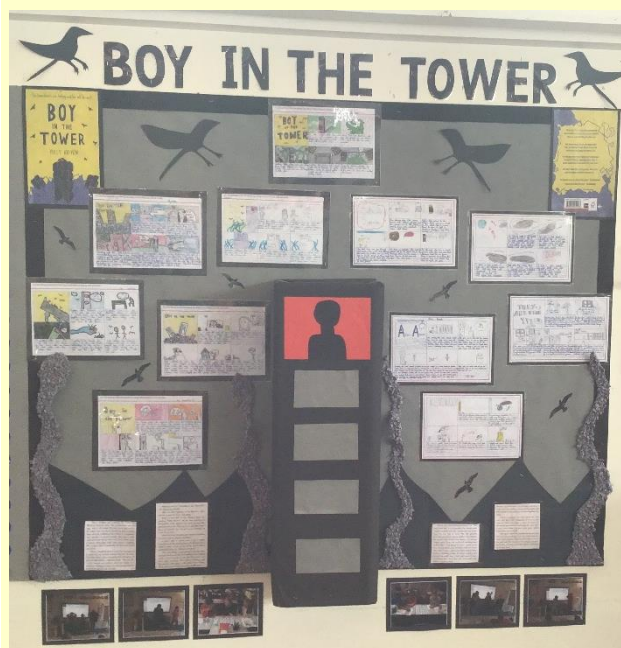
We are super proud of our footballers this term! We attended Minterne 7s football tournament on Saturday 26th March, the team's first competitive outing in more than 2 years.

The team started against Minterne A and beat them 2-1 in the opening fixture. Next, we went on to play Iwade B and drew 1-1 (with some unfortunate booing from the opponents). We then played St.Peters and lost 0-1 with their coach expressing how it was a lucky win to them as our team had been playing superbly! Finally, we went up against Holywell who we drew 1-1 with. We came joint second in the group and displayed fantastic sportsmanship throughout.





Cian P, Hadleigh C and Isabelle F from Pearl Class put their artistic skills to the test by re-creating 'Tiger in A Tropical Storm' by Henri Rousseau. As you can see from the photo, the results are amazing so it is now taking pride of place in our library area for all to admire. I hope you agree that they did a wonderful job! Well done.



We thought that you would like to see other wonderful displays showcasing the children's work around the school.

### Headteacher Awards

The following children have received 'green slips' this term. These are awarded for exceptional effort, behaviour or work, and if a child receives one a postcard is sent home to let parents know.

Well done to: **Patrick B & Mia-Rose G.**

### Star of the week



Congratulations to:

**Unaisah I, Blake A, April-Rose B, Kadeem B, Esmee G-G, Katie P, Lilly-Ann S, Eva S, Jessica M, Isabelle V, Lottie P, Olive F, Parker O, Scarlett D, Evelina A, Aarththi V, Janelle W, Imran R, Ruby C, Sophia L, Patrick B, Matilda G, Ronnie C, Serif B, Felicity M, Skye-Stevie F, Amber-Rae B, Austin R-S, Subomi J, Dominic K, Jacob F, Sylvia D, Patryk G, Jack C, Sapphire Rose A, Alexander B, Chloe M, Tiffany W, Robyn C, Sienna B, Phoebe K, Anastasia V, Connor C, Lily C, Darasimi T, Dylan H, Anvitha N, Connie F, Coby R, George W, Michal Z, Maisie D, Charlie H, James S, Levi G, Brook K B, Zoe B, Imogen B, Jacob S, Eloise G, Alfie W & Emmy H.**



### X25 badge

Andreja	Tanzanite
Millie	Tanzanite
Olemide	Onyx
Harvey	Tanzanite

### X50 badge

Harvey	Tanzanite
Anastasia	Tanzanite
Luke	Tanzanite
Landon	Tanzanite

### X100 badge

Paige	Ruby
Phoebe	Ruby
Jamel	Tanzanite



# Collaboration, Commitment, Community & Challenge

## Dates for your diary!

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

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**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

**Start of Term 5**

Y5 swimming starts (1/5)

Adult Education – Stepping up into Secondary workshop for parents (1-3pm)

Book Club for Year 3 parents (3.30pm)

Class photographs with Braiswick Photographers

Garnet Class assembly at 2.45pm

Topaz Class assembly

**SCHOOL CLOSED FOR BANK HOLIDAY**

KS2 SATS week

Y5 Bikeability

Sports Day

Reserve Sports Day

**Last day of Term 5 – (School finishes at 3.15pm)**

**SCHOOL CLOSED FOR BANK HOLIDAY FOR QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE**

**Start of Term 6**

Year 6 swimming starts (1/5)

YR Vision and hearing screening (date to be confirmed by School Health)

Fulston Manor & Highsted Grammar School Y6/7 transition day

Year 6 trip to Chessington

Year 6 Fun swim

Year 6 Bowling

Year 6 Outdoor pursuits

Borden Grammar Y6/7 transition day

Summer Fair (tbc)

Westlands Y6/7 transition week

M & M Productions – The Secret Garden (whole school)

**Last day of Term 6 (School finishes at 1.30pm)**



**After school clubs will continue to run in Term 5.**

Watch out for a text/email advising you about the clubs that are finishing this term and the clubs that are continuing next term

## Term dates and staff development dates for the next academic year – 2022/2023

	Start Date	End Date
Autumn Term 2022	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b>	<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022</b>
Autumn Term 2022	<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022</b>	<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022</b>
Spring Term 2023	<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>
Spring Term 2023	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>
Summer Term 2023	<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023</b>	<b>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023</b>
Summer Term 2023	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023</b>	<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023</b>

Staff development days:  
**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**  
**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022**  
**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022**  
**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023**  
**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023**

