





SOUTH AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL 10th November 2023

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week Beginning 13th November Anti-Bullying Week

17th November Children in Need



21st & 23rd November Parents Evening

27th November School Closed - Staff Development Day

#### **HALLOWEEN LUNCH**



Our fantastic kitchen staff work hard to make seasonal and fun themed luches which always prove popular with the children! Here's the recent Halloween cake!

Keep a look out for information about the upcoming Christmas Dinners! **THANK YOU!** 

Thank you to all parents/guardians who provided feedback on the WhatSAP Newsletters!

If anyone has any other ideas in the future, please feel free to email them to the office: office@southavenue.kent.sch.uk

Also a huge thank you to everyone who donated for Harvest Festival! We managed to donate over a fantastic 178kg of food to Swale Food Bank!



### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE We aim for 95%





# YEAR 4 ROMAN DAY



Year 4 had a fabulous Roman Day. Year 4 enjoyed making and trying Roman style bread as well as trying on Roman Armour. The children were surprised by how heavy the armour was. In addition to this, the children enjoyed step-by-step drawings of Roman soldiers and designing their own shields.



## YEAR 3 TRIP TO THE GURDWARA



On Thursday the 19th October, Year 3 set off towards the train station for the adventure of a lifetime! When we got on our very own train carriage our faces lit up and we raced towards Gravesend.

After a short walk through Gravesend we arrived at the spectacular Gurdwara and were warmly welcomed in by Mrs Gill. We took off our shoes, washed our hands and put on our head scarfs, all in a beautiful room. Harry and Roseanna were very lucky because Mr Gill helped them to put on their

head scarfs in the traditional way! Then the tour began, Mr Gill showed us where they keep the holy book (the Guru Granth Sahib) and demonstrated how he pays his respect. We all paid our respect by kneeling and bowing our heads. It's not easy to describe the true beauty of the Gurdwara, it was breath-taking! Stunning ceilings with gold and blue decorations and chandeliers full of crystals!

Mr Gill spoke to us about the first Guru (Guru Nanak) and how important it is to Sikhs to be kind and how he likes to take time to meditate every day.

After this Mr Gill showed us to the dining room where Sikhs take part in the langar which is all about sharing food together. We were given delicious food. We enjoyed dhal, which is spiced lentils and rotis and we were so pleased to receive seconds! After we'd eaten we began the journey back to the train station

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We were all made to feel so welcome and it was a privilege to visit such a special place. Here are a few of our children's thoughts about the day. Oliver and Subomi say, 'The food was scrumptious!' Ronas said, 'My favourite part was all the sparkling and shiny decorations.' Dominik says, 'I didn't like the train, I LOVED it!' Chloe said, 'I loved wearing the headscarf because it showed respect.' Christina explained, 'I liked the worship room because it was quiet.' Emelia told us, 'I loved how beautiful it looked from the outside.'

We can't wait to learn all about Sikhism this term.