

MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> 2026

SOUTHFIELD PARK



# NEWSLETTER



## Dear families

This is the term where the school events just keep coming and this week has been no exception. Thank you to Year 4 who treated their families to an amazing assembly where we were all invited a game show which gave us a whistle stop tour of the children's time in Year 4. Wow Year 4, we loved it!

Today our Reception families have been out in force to support their children at our EYFS Sports Day. What a super event it was with some favourite races such as the egg and spoon race, and the dressing up relay. Thank you to everyone who joined us, to the children for participating so well, and to the staff who ensured the inclusive event ran smoothly. Special thanks must go to Miss Emily Camfield, our PE lead, who is very busy at this time of year!

Tonight, the Friends would like to welcome you all to their family BINGO night. Doors open at 5:30pm for a 6:00pm start. Please come along to this free event for the whole family.

Best wishes for a lovely weekend,

Sally Smith

## Dates for your diary...

### w/c Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May

- SATs in Year 6 including Breakfast Club

### Fri 15<sup>th</sup> May

- Infant Sports Day (Year 1 and 2) 9:00-11:30am
- Krispy Kreme Donut Sale with the Friends 3:00-3:30pm

### Mon 18<sup>th</sup> May

- Class Photographs

### Thu 21<sup>st</sup> May

- Year 5 PGL meeting for families 3:30pm

### Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May

- Junior Sports Day at the Harrier Centre - PM



- **Year 6 SATs**

Next week the Year 6 children will be sitting SATs from Monday to Thursday. The school has worked hard to get the arrangements right so that every child can feel successful. Despite trying to fill the children with confidence, and balancing children's wellbeing with academic success, there will no doubt be worries. Year 6 parents, if you are concerned about your child next week, please get in touch as I am sure that we will be able to help.

Children are invited into school for breakfast and should arrive by 8:15am. This helps us to ensure a settled and relaxed start to the day. Please let the office know in the usual way if your child is absent and we will reschedule sessions with you.

- **Changes to the School Day from September: Reminder**

This is a reminder that, as previously announced, our school day is changing slightly from September. Lunchtime will be 5 minutes shorter and our soft start in the morning will be reduced from 15 to 10 minutes. This means that, from the Autumn Term, all children need to arrive in school between 8:35 and 8:45am. Registers will be taken at 8:45am before a day of learning begins at 8:50am.

- **Infant Sports Day Friday 15th May**

Year 1 and 2 families, please join us for Infant Sports Day next Friday. You can enter via the junior gate from 9am and events will finish at around 11am. After the events, parents are welcome to go to their child's year group gazebo to sign out their child and join them for a 15-minute snack break in the playground. You can provide a small snack for the children to share with you, however, please remember that the children will be having their lunch soon after. Please see Miss Emily Camfield's letter regarding the event, which has gone out today, for more details.





## ● Reading at Southfield Park

Reading really is the cornerstone of our curriculum and at Southfield Park, we take every opportunity to immerse the children in reading across the curriculum. Children from all of the primary stages and beyond will be working on fluency at their own level: developing the flow and automaticity of reading, with expression, accuracy and speed. Fluency can be part of every reading lesson but at Southfield Park children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be taking part in a weekly lesson dedicated to the teaching of fluency. Perhaps some of our techniques might be useful when you are reading at home with your child:

- Tracking reading: adult reads while the child tracks the words with their finger
- Choral reading: reading together at the same time
- Echo reading: adult reads a phrase or sentence, child repeats it with the same intonation
- Paired reading: taking it in turns to read a phrase, sentence or paragraph with each person reading the same section 3 times.

### **Workshop: Making Reading a Habit at Home**

As part of our support for the National Year of Reading, Eduthing, our IT service provider, are offering a free session for parents and carers on making reading a habit at home on Thursday 21st May, 7pm - 8pm.

The session will explore:

- Why small, positive reading moments make a big difference
- Simple digital supports that help with tricky words and confidence
- How audio, captions and short digital texts can help on busy days
- Ways to use your child's interests to boost motivation
- Fun, low-pressure family reading challenges
- How to find personalised book suggestions based on what your child enjoys

More details can be found in the flyer below

# NATIONAL YEAR OF READING X EDUTHING

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## MAKING READING A HABIT AT HOME THURSDAY 21ST MAY

This family-focused session explores how simple, light-touch uses of technology can make daily reading feel easier, more enjoyable and more achievable for children of all ages. With busy routines and growing pressures on family time, many parents find it challenging to build a consistent reading habit. This session demonstrates how small digital tools can support tricky moments, spark motivation and help children connect reading with the things they already love.

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- ▶ Simple digital supports that help with tricky words and confidence
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- ▶ How to find personalised book suggestions based on what your child enjoys

Fun, low-pressure family reading challenges

### FAMILIES WILL GAIN

- ▶ Practical activities that can be used the same day
- ▶ Confidence to support reading without pressure or battles
- ▶ Simple, accessible ways to turn 10 minutes into a habit
- ▶ Ideas for motivating reluctant readers

**PARENTS, CARERS  
AND CHILDREN  
ALL WELCOME!**



### SPECIAL GUEST **BEVERLY CLARKE MBE**

Beverly Clarke MBE joins this session to share her expertise in digital inclusion, reading for pleasure and supporting families in using children's interests - including their love of technology - to boost motivation.



# GO ALL IN.

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Year of  
Reading  
2026

- **School Readiness and Making a Healthy Start Webinar**

The webinars will be delivered monthly from April 2026 to October 2026, with the next session will on 20 May 2026, from 10:30am to 11:30am. It will offer evidence informed guidance on a broad range of key health- related- school readiness topics, including:

Understanding your child, talking to your child about starting school, separation anxiety, toileting, dental health, healthy eating, sleep, hand hygiene, Reception Year health screening, vaccinations, screen safety, supporting children with additional needs.

The aim of these sessions is to ensure that families receive clear, consistent, and accessible information to help them feel confident and well prepared ahead of their child starting school. The webinar access link can be found at: [surreychildandfamily.co.uk](https://surreychildandfamily.co.uk)

Please navigate to School Nursing 5-19 Years and scroll down to Virtual Sessions.

- **Creative Arts Week**

Creative Arts Week will take place during the week beginning **22nd June**. This much-loved event happens every two years and is always a highlight for children, families and staff.

During the week, we step away from the usual timetable to immerse ourselves in the creative arts, welcoming visiting professionals and running workshops ranging from dance and opera to textiles, CAD, cake decorating and more. Staff also share their own skills and passions across the school.



Planning is already underway, and we are delighted that the Friends will be supporting us with funding so we can be ambitious for our children.

**Can you help?**

Do you work in a creative industry, have a creative hobby, or know someone who does? Could you run a workshop for a year group? Do you have links with local arts groups? If so, please contact the school office at [info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk).



- **Attendance & Fixed Penalty Notices**

If families take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

- If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19th August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
- If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19th August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
- If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice - Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996. Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Requests for exceptional leave need to be submitted using the form on our website, at least 2 weeks before the date being requested. All other exceptional leave will or will not be authorised on a case by case basis. A child's attendance and previous requests for leave will always be considered when making a decision.

- **Pastoral News: Parenting Support**

Surrey Families have created a new parenting support page available on the Family Information Service (FIS) website. The pages have been designed to guide parents and carers through the support available at every stage of a child's development. There are a variety of age-appropriate courses, services, and places where parents and carers can access help and advice.

Parenting courses will be advertised on this website:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/parenting>

As well as a range of useful online courses there are also links to a confidential helpline, live online chat, WhatsApp support service and email support. Examples of courses available through FIS are:

- Sibling arguments
- New baby in the family
- Let's Play
- Bringing up Confident Children
- Parenting Neurodivergent Children

- **Staff News**

At this time of year, there are inevitably staff who are moving on to ventures new. Mrs Karen del Medico has decided to leave us this July, and will be heading off around the world on a travelling adventure. Mrs Hollie Williams has decided to spend a little more time with her young family. Miss Kai Sarwarth is on her way to Qatar to continue her teaching career. Miss Hannah Cook is moving down to West Sussex to join Castlewood Primary and Miss Sophie David is returning to a teaching post nearer to home at Great Bookham Primary.

Mrs Foley and I have been busy recruiting the right team for our school and very pleased with the decisions that have been made. Miss Fenella Saunders and Miss Laura Robins, who already work at Southfield Park, will be joining our permanent teaching team, as will Miss Maddie Smith and Mrs Bea Dacosta. They will all be in post to welcome children to their new classes at the end of the Summer Term.

- **In Year One** science we have been learning all about plants. Last Friday, we went on a walk to look at different types of trees. Each of us was given a leaf, we had to find the tree it came from by looking carefully at the shape and size of the leaves. We learnt about evergreen and deciduous trees and how they were different. It was exciting to spot trees that match our table groups such as pine, maple and oak. We had lots of fun exploring and learning outdoors.



### Living and Growing

Reception have thrown themselves enthusiastically into our new topic, 'Living and Growing', where we have been learning all about animals. We began the topic with the exciting arrival of duckling eggs, which soon hatched into five beautiful ducklings. The children have thoroughly enjoyed observing them each day as they grow bigger and stronger, and they especially loved watching them swim in the tuff tray.

To support our learning, the children have been writing about the life cycle of a duck and chicken and thinking carefully about what animals need in order to be cared for properly.

In Maths, we have been exploring odd and even numbers through a range of practical and engaging activities, including sorting eggs into the correct nests. In Art, the children have been getting very creative. They have made wonderful duckling hatching pictures using split pins and have also designed their own chickens as part of our focus animal work.

Reception have settled beautifully back into the final term of their first year at school, and we are very proud of how engaged and enthusiastic they have been in their learning. Please see the pictures below for examples of the children's work.



Now it is an egg. Next it will be a duckling. Then it will be a duck. © mounted Now it is an egg. Next it will be a duckling. Then it will be a duck.

LO: To explore the natural world around him/her, making observations and drawing pictures of animals  
To write simple phrases/ sentences ✓  
To accurately form most letters ✓

### What do the ducklings need?

get them food

get them water

check the red sign

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- **Congratulations** to our Startastic gymnasts who recently competed in their final qualifier ahead of the World Championships in Florida this June.

Results:

Thea: 2 Gold, 2 Silver, and Gold All-Around

Sophia: 1 Silver, 2 Bronze, and Bronze All-Around

Amelia: 1 Gold and 1 Silver

Anya: 1 Gold, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze, and Silver All-Around

On Sunday 10th May, Anya, Sophia, and Thea (along with their parents) will also be taking part in a sponsored walk to help raise funds for the World Championships (see attached poster). Any sponsorship or general donations would be very much appreciated.



Well Done Amelia



Well Done Thea



Well Done Anya



Well Done Sophia

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## Stars of the week

Year 1 HM

Star of the week: **Liam**

Year 1 CR

Star of the week: **Amelia**

Year 2 GR

Star of the week: **Annabell**

Year 2D

Star of the week: **Marcus**

Year 3F

Star of the week: **Olivia**

Year 3A

Star of the week: **Adesire**

Y4 K

Star of the week: **Meadow**

Year 4J

Star of the week: **Zoe**

Year 5BS

Star of the week: **Samuel**

Year 5S

Star of the week: **Alfie & Harrison**

Year 6N

Star of the week: **Mia**

Year 6C

Star of the week: **Arabella & Eva**



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# News From The Friends



**TODAY!**

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<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofsouthfieldpark/>

**Bring change for the mini-games and your own drinks and snacks.  
We'll also have a small selection of soft drinks available.**

## UPCOMING FRIENDS EVENTS:



15th May - Doughnut Sale



4th July - Summer Fair

We are still seeking volunteers for the second-hand uniform sale.

If you can help, please email [friends@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:friends@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk).

The date will be confirmed once we have enough support.



## Summer Term 2026 - Key Dates

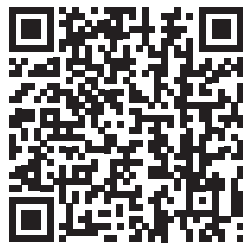
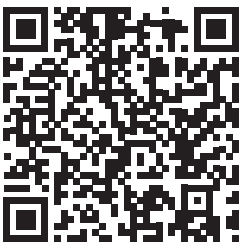
Fri 08.05	6:00pm	Family Bingo Night with the Friends
w/c Mon 11.05		SATs in Year 6 including Breakfast Club
Fri 15.05	9:00 – 11:30am	Infant Sports Day (Year 1 and 2)
Fri 15.05	3:00 – 3:30pm	Krispy Kreme Donut Sale with the Friends
Mon 18.05	Class Photographs	
Thu 21.05	3:30pm	Year 5 PGL meeting for families
Fri 22.05	pm	Junior Sports Day at the Harrier Centre
<b>w/c Mon 25.05</b>	<b>HALF TERM – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>	
Wed 03.06	9:00 – 9:30am	Open Classrooms
Wed 03.06	6:00pm	SHINE Show
Thu 04.06	Year 6 Geography Field Trip to the River Mole	
Fri 05.06	Reserve Junior Sports Day	
w/c Mon 08.06	Year 6 Bikeability Level 2	
Mon 08.06	3:00pm	District Sports Field Events
Wed 10.06	9:15am	Year 3 Year Group Assembly
Thu 11.06	9:00am	District Sports Track Events
Fri 12.06	Reception Trip to Bocketts Farm	
w/c Mon 15.06	Year 5 Residential to PGL Liddington	

Date	Time		Event	
Wed 17.06	Time tbc (early eve)	Choir event at The Horton		
Thu 18.06	6-7pm	New Reception Parents information session		
w/c Mon 22.06	Creative Arts Week			
Mon 22.06	Summer Fair hamper donations (MUFTI)			
Mon 22.06	Dance Festival rehearsals at Epsom Playhouse (daytime)			
Tue 23.06 + Wed 24.06	Evening		Dance Festival at Epsom Playhouse	
Wed 24.06	Grow, Cook, Enjoy cooking with Year 3			
Thu 25.06	Year 3 Sleepover			
<b>Fri 26.06</b>	<b>1:15pm</b>		<b>Year 3 finish early</b>	
Tue 30.06 and Wed 01.07	Year 6 Transition Days at Secondary Schools			
Tue 30.06 and Wed 01.07	15:00-18:30 16:00-18:00		Y1-6 Parent Consultations (no	
Wed 01.07	Grow, Cook, Enjoy cooking with Year 4			
Thu 02.07	Summer Fair bottle donations (MUFTI)			
Fri 03.07	Year 6 trip to London			
Sat 04.07	12:00 – 2:00pm	Summer Fair		
Mon 06.07	Grow, Cook, Enjoy cooking with Year 6			
Tue 07.07 and Wed 08.07	6:00pm		Year 6 Production	
Wed 08.07	Grow, Cook, Enjoy cooking with Year 5			
Thu 09.07	9:15am		Year 2 Summer Sing-a-long	
Fri 10.07	Year 6 to Chessington World of Adventures			
Mon 13.07	3:30pm		Sayers Croft information meeting (current year 3 parents)	
Wed 15.07	5:30pm		Year 6 Leavers' Party	
Fri 16.07	9:00am		Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	
<b>Fri 16.07</b>	<b>1:30pm</b>		<b>Break up for Summer Holidays</b>	



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## Transition to

# Secondary School

## Summer Holiday Support Sessions

### Is your Year 6 child feeling anxious about starting secondary school?

Learning Space & YMCA East Surrey are offering 1:1 young person & parent/carers support sessions during the summer holidays to help ease the transition.

These sessions focus on addressing anxiety, worries, building resilience and celebrating each child's strengths.

Sessions are offered in various locations throughout East Surrey, as well as online. Please choose your preference on the form.

Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Parents and carers can sign up using the QR code/link  
<https://forms.office.com/e/GHtAgndK3z>



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or for more info contact us via: [stoneleighathleticfc@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stoneleighathleticfc@yahoo.co.uk)



# ADVICE CAFE

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FRIDAYS  
10AM-12PM

Freedrop-in hub with cake and refreshments for advice on debt, benefits, and other important issues.

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Our regular advisors can help with:

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Physical Health

Debt Help

Employment

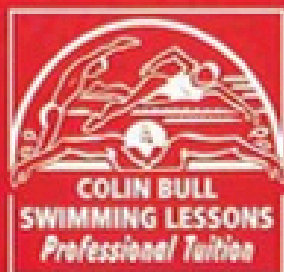
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Benefits

Other areas of support are also available, please get in touch to find out if we can help support you.

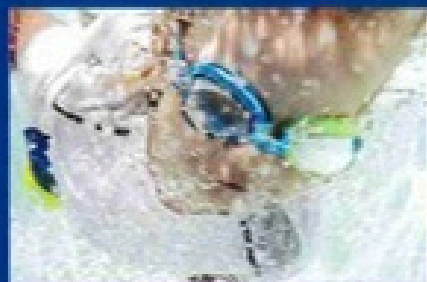
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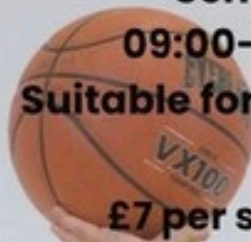
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School

09:00-10:00

Suitable for ages 6-10

£7 per session




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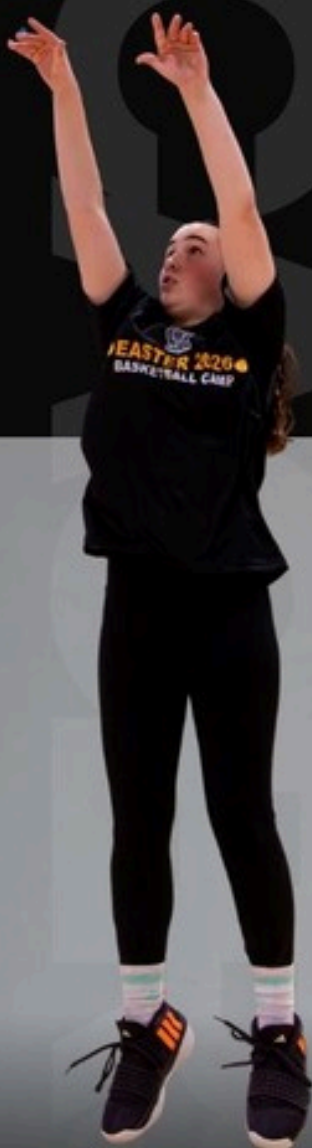


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