

JANUARY 23RD 2026

SOUTHFIELD PARK

NEWSLETTER



Dear families

It has been a particularly busy week in school with Year 4 swimming every day, Year 5 visiting the Epsom and Ewell Islamic Centre and several year groups out on local walks. Many of the staff have found themselves supporting in other year groups to make things happen so a big thank you to them. Year 4 swimming continues next week, and we are seeing great progress from our swimmers already.

Thank you to those of you who joined us for the Mindwords parent workshop on Monday. It was well attended and the feedback has been really positive. Several parents have already contacted me to say they are successfully trying new strategies at home.

Next Friday 30th January, the Friends will be running their annual Quiz Night in the school hall. Gather your teams for a fun-filled, adults only event with doors opening at 7:30 for an 8pm start. More details can be found below.

Best wishes for a lovely weekend,

Sally Smith

Dates for your diary...

Fri 30th Jan

- Friends Quiz Night

Mon 2nd Feb

- Year 5 & 6 Football Tournament - PM
- Year 6 Heart Dissection

Mon 9th - Fri 13th Feb

- Careers Week

Fri 13th Feb

- Krispy Kreme Donut Sale - After School
- Break up for Half Term Holidays

Mon 23rd Feb

- Children return to school - 8.35am

Mon 23rd - Fri 27th Feb

- Book Swap

Wed 25th Feb

- KS2 Parents Maths Workshop and Information Session - 2pm





Friends' Quiz Night - Friday 30th January

After last year's sell-out success, the Friends' Quiz Night returns on **Friday 30th January**. Quiz Master Tony is back by popular demand and promises another fun-filled evening with a variety of questions and challenges.

This is an **adults-only event**, with teams of up to six people. Tickets are now available via pta-events.co.uk/friendsofsouthfieldpark or on the door at £5 per person, with some mini games on the night for £1 a play. You can bring your own drinks and snacks, and there will be a small bar available for top ups.

Doors open at 7:30pm for an 8pm start.

Year 4 Swimming

Year 4 - please remember your swimming kits!
Our **two-week swimming programme** continues next week.



Staff News

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Ms Rosie Saunders, one of our Midday Meal Supervisors at the end of this month. Rosie is leaving the Epsom area and moving on to pastures new. We wish her lots of luck in her new ventures and would like to thank her on behalf of the staff and children for all of her hard work with us.

● **Breaking News: Creative Arts Week Returns**

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 African 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? Do you have links with local arts groups? If so, please contact the school office at info@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk.

● **Job Opportunity - Midday Meal Supervisor**

We currently have an exciting job opportunity available at our school. If you—or someone you know—are looking to make a difference in a warm and welcoming school environment, take a look at our current vacancies:

- Midday Meal Supervisor

If you're interested or would like more information, please use the QR code or visit our school website. We'd love to hear from you!



● **Inclusive Practice: The PINs Project and an Inclusion Review**

The school is committed to Inclusive Practice and has commissioned an Inclusion Review with Surrey County Council which will be taking place in the upcoming weeks. This will be a chance to do a deep dive into our SEND provision, from classroom practice to financial planning, and will highlight our successes as well as identifying growth opportunities.


This year the school is also participating in the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) Programme. It is a national programme that brings specialist health and education professionals and expert parent carers into mainstream primary schools to:

- help shape whole-school special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) provision
- provide early interventions at a school level
- upskill school staff
- support the strengthening of partnerships between schools and parent carers

Some recent examples of work with the PINs Project have included a Speech and Language Audit, where specialists came in to school to review our practice and make suggestions, and a Playground Audit, where specialists reviewed our playtime provision and ran a training session for our support staff. Several members of staff are also participating in specific training programmes such as ND (Neurodiversity) Champion Training.

The PINS Project team are running an online, lunchtime session for parent carers about effective communication between parents and teachers. Details and registration can be found here:

5. Effective Communication between Parent Carers and Teachers
 Delivered by Dr Kathryn Hollins, Consultant Parent, Child and Family Psychiatrist, and Kate Goode from Family Voice Surrey.

Training offer	Online / In person	Description	Length of training	Register your interest
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective Communication between parents and teachers - for parent carers • Please share the link and QR codes with the parent and carers at your school 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online • 4th February, 12 - 1pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kathryn will begin talking about how communication works between individuals, between groups and within communities. She will talk about why communication is so hard and what makes it easier. Then she will share how you may be able to help a teacher to listen to what you are needing to share. The webinar will finish with an opportunity to practice some new skills in break out rooms. 	Total Time Commitment: 1 hour	Registration form – fill out form 

● **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 19 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 19 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.

- **Year 5 Visit: Epsom and Ewell Islamic Centre**

This week, the Year 5 pupils had an exciting, educational trip to a local mosque as part of their learning about Islam. During the visit, the children explored the mosque’s spiritual areas, learned about Islamic traditions, and observed the daily practices of worship. They asked thoughtful questions about the significance of prayer, the role of the Qur’an, and the values that guide the Muslim community. As a creative activity, the children also had the opportunity to design and make their own bookmarks, inspired by Islamic patterns, which they were very proud to take home. Throughout the visit, they showed genuine respect, curiosity, and enthusiasm, clearly enjoying the experience and engaging openly with what they learned. The children showed such respect for other people’s beliefs, reminding us all that kindness grows from understanding. This trip not only helped the children learn more about Islam but also inspired them to value and appreciate different cultures and ways of life.



● **Year 6 Explore Nigeria Through Non-Chronological Reports**

Year 6 have made an exciting start to their new geography topic, Africa, by focusing on the vibrant and diverse country of Nigeria. To launch the topic, the children went on a fact-finding mission, researching key information about Nigeria's geography, cities, culture, food and daily life.

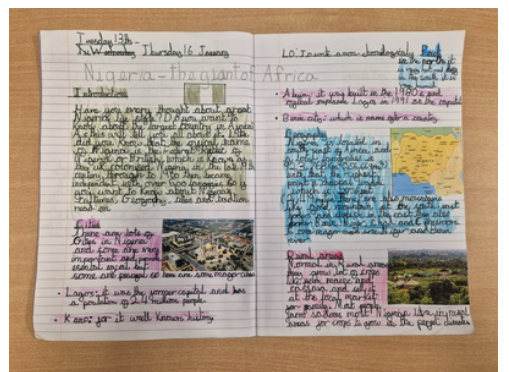
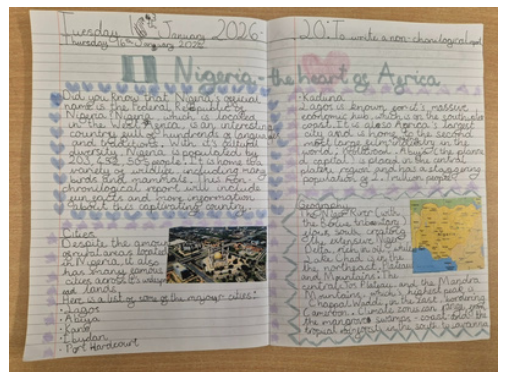
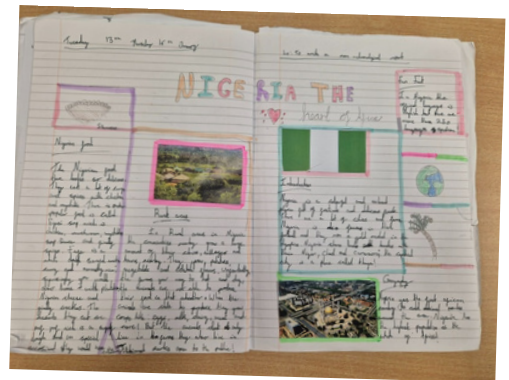
To deepen their learning even further, each child chose an area of Nigeria to become an expert in and created a presentation to share their findings with the rest of the class. It was wonderful to see the confidence with which they spoke and the pride they took in teaching their peers.

These presentations then fed into their English work, where the children wrote non-chronological reports about Nigeria. They have spent a lot of time ensuring their writing includes:

- clear headings and subheadings,
- well-chosen relative clauses,
- and increasingly formal, factual language.

The quality of the finished pieces has been fantastic, showing both their growing geographical knowledge and their developing writing skills.

Here are some of our wonderful Nigeria non-chronological reports. Year 6 have worked incredibly hard on all of these - well done, Year 6!



● **Congratulations to our Shining Stars!** ✨

Well done to the children who have been awarded **50 tokens** for their house groups for consistently shining and demonstrating our school values. Your positive attitudes, hard work, and excellent behaviour have not gone unnoticed.

You have shown what it truly means to be **proud to be purple.**

Keep up the fantastic effort – we are very proud of you!



● **Helping Hands for Poorly Days**

As the colder months continue, many of our children are experiencing lots of sniffles and headaches. To help us keep them comfortable while at school, we would be very grateful for donations of Calpol 6+ or junior paracetamol (unopened and in-date).

Thank you for your continued kindness and support – it really does mean a lot.



We are absolutely bursting with pride to share the incredible results from our recent assessments. A huge well-done to the 25 students who took part and showed such dedication to their learning, your hard work has truly paid off!

The results were simply outstanding:

- 23 Distinctions 🏆
- 2 Merits 🏅

It is a joy to see our students achieving such high standards and is a testament to your resilience and the "can-do" attitude in Lamda. Thank you to the parents and carers for your continued support in helping our pupils reach their full potential.

Well done everyone, what a fantastic achievement!

Miss Lauren and Mr Charles



Stars of the week

RC

Star of the week: **Georgia**

Year 1 HM

Star of the week: **Tristan**

Year 2 GR

Star of the week: **Amira & Kasper**

Year 3F

Star of the week: **Zeki**

Y4 K

Star of the week: **Yusef**

Year 5BS

Star of the week: **Holly**

Year 6N

Star of the week: **Shelby**

RF

Star of the week: **Lily-Rose & Lydia**

Year 1 CR

Star of the week: **Zack**

Year 2D

Star of the week: **Ethan**

Year 3A

Star of the week: **Yien**

Year 4J

Star of the week: **Harry**

Year 5S

Star of the week: **Jenna**

Year 6C

Star of the week: **Zain**



- **Year 3 and 4 girls** have been given the opportunity to attend a football tournament In April. With the fantastic recent result in the Year 6 tournament when our girls won we have collaborated with Jack Johnson's Football coaching to offer the girls in Year 2 upwards an opportunity to attend a free trial in his after school football club to see if they would be interested in playing football. We will be holding trials for the Year 3 and 4 girls in the next few weeks but felt this was a great opportunity for the girls to get a feel of the game.

Please register with the club directly if you would like to take up the free offer.

JFS Girls Only Football Club



Wednesday 28th January

3.15pm - 4.15pm

Sign up link below

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Spring Term 2026 - Key Dates

Date	Time	Event
Mon 05.01	8:35am	Children return to school
Wed 07.01	9:15am	Prospective Parent Tour
Fri 09.01	Year Group newsletters out to parents	
Mon 12.01	Spinnaker Workshop Year 4 all day	
Mon 19.01	9:00am	Parent workshop on self-regulation strategies for children
Mon 19.01 – 30.01	Year 4 swimming starts for 2 weeks	
Fri 30.01	6pm	Friends Quiz Night
Mon 02.02	Pm Year 5 and 6 Football Tournament	
Mon 02.02	Year 6 Heart Dissection	
w/c Mon 09.02	Careers Week	
Fri 13.02	After school	Krispy Kreme Donut Sale
	Half term – 16th – 20th	
w/c Mon 23.02	Daily	Friends Event: Book Swap
Wed 25.02	2:15pm	KS2 Parents Maths Workshop and Information Session
Thu 26.02	9:15am	Y5 Assembly
Thu 26.02	Pm	Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Festival
Mon 02.03	9am	SEND Coffee Morning
w/c 02.03	Book Week	
Thur 05.03	World Book Day including Friends' Book Sale (we are not dressing up this year)	
w/c Mon 09.03 – Fri 12.03	Bikeability for Year 4	
Mon 16.03 & Tues 17.03	Pm	Reception Parent Consultations
Fri 20.03	Easter Discos	
Mon 23.03	All day	Dress Rehearsal for Music Festival (Glee) at Epsom Playhouse
Mon 23.03	Open Classrooms 2:45 – 3:45pm	
Tues 24.03	Eve	Choir attending Dorking Halls Music Festival
Tues 24.03 and Wed 25.03	Eve	Music Festival (Glee) at Epsom Playhouse
Wed 25.03	Reports out to parents (years 1 – 6)	
Fri 27.03	Break up at 1:30pm	



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January 8th - March 26th

Price: £66.00



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Girls Football Club



JFS

Girls Only Football Club
Wednesdays

3.15 - 4.15

(Year 2,3,4,5,6)

January 7th - March 25th

Price: £66.00



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