

South Wootton Infant School Newsletter



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Issue 8

May Days

Hopefully you have all enjoyed the long weekend - it was lovely to see the sunshine and be able to spend time outdoors.

May is an important month for Year 2 pupils as they will be taking their SATs or "quizzes" as we prefer to call them. We have created a time table for these as they can be taken anytime during this month unlike the Year 6 SATs which will be sat next week across the country. It is therefore important that the children in Year 2 attend school everyday this month.

Don't forget that Monday 8th May is also a Bank Holiday this year as part of the Coronation celebrations!

Next half term the teachers will be teaching the statutory curriculum around relationships and sex education. We would like to invite parents to a meeting where Mrs Chimes will share the materials we use and answer any questions. This meeting will be on Monday 22nd May @ 6pm in the School Hall.

Coronation Celebrations

We will be celebrating the Coronation in school on Friday. The children will be having a special Coronation Picnic Lunch on that day. At the moment the weather forecast is not great for Friday with a high possibility of rain. If it is fine in the morning then we would like to invite you to join your child for lunch at 12.30pm on the school field. We will then follow this with a Coronation Learning Café 1.15pm—2.15pm to which you are all invited. Following this you will be able to take your children home or alternatively collect at the normal end of the day.

We will send a text message on Friday morning to confirm whether the picnic on the field can go ahead.

Don't forget Coronation Bingo organized by the PTFA is on Friday 5th May @ 6.30pm. Please contact the office if you would like to book as spaces are limited.

RED TED readers

Owls are the class who have read the most at home in the second half of the Spring term—a total of 2045 times between them. Well done Owls.

There has been a massive jump in home reading this past half term compared to the second half of the Autumn term. Well done to everyone. By supporting reading at home you are ensuring your child has the best start to their education as becoming a confident reader is so important to their progress.

Attendance update

Attendance remains a focus for improvement. The school now has to report weekly attendance to the Department for Education. There are termly meetings with the Attendance Officer who analyses the data and questions individual pupils where the attendance drops below 90%. The Local Authority have expressed concern about the number of holidays being taken in term time.

Here is a graphic the Norfolk Local Authority attendance team have put together showing how much education is missed with continued low attendance levels.



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Smile! Work! Inspire! Succeed!

Long hair should

be tied back in school especially if your child has PE.

Dates for your Diary

MAY

2nd—Class Photos 5th - Coronation Picnic (12.30pm) and Learning Café (1.15pm) 8th—Bank Holiday—School closed 22nd - RSE Parents Meeting @6pm 26th—Last day of Term

JUNE

5th- Return to school 14th—Reception Heights and Weights 30th—Sports Day (pm)

JULY

21st—Last day of Term

Birthdays

The children who have celebrated/ or will celebrate their birthday in April are:

Henry, Teddy, Poppy, Arthur, Bella, Sonny, Freya, Izaiah and Niamh **who are now 5 years old.**

Eliza, Louie, Soraia, Frankie and Niamh who are now 6 years old.

Harvey, Coco, Stanley, Sofia, Teddy and Delilah who are now 7 years old.

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone who celebrates their birthday in APRIL

Attendance

For the month of April the class with the best attendance is RABBITS Class

with an attendance total of 98%. **CONGRATULATIONS to them**. Our overall attendance is now 95.19%

Our target for the year is 97% so we are significantly below.

Please ensure your child is in school every day that they are well.