

★ Looking At Learning ★

What happens at Sydenham Primary School after the bell rings at 8.55am? Let's take a peep behind the scenes...



In Y6 and Y2 ES, pupils are working with their Talk Partners.



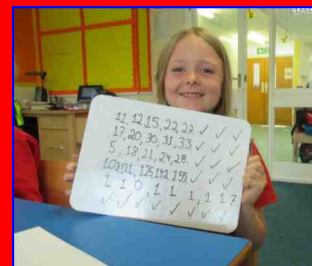
Y1 JL are practising their writing.



Y3 JM are enjoying Circle Time.



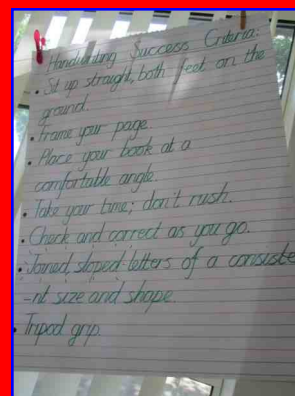
It's time for some mental maths practice in Y3 AH.



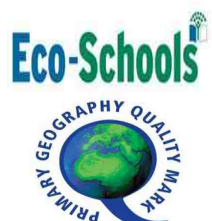
Y5 JvS are exploring descriptive language in their Literacy lesson..



Y2 ES are using a text map to re-tell a story.



The success criteria and Learning characters are helping pupils to be successful with their learning.





After lunch, Y1 MBB are doing relaxation.



Y3 JM are enjoying their PE lesson.



It's library time for Y2 HC.



YR are cooking pancakes.



All around the school, children are enjoying books in different ways.



Y1 are exploring their topic work through Art and Design Technology.



IN PSHE, Y3 AH are learning to stay safe by recognising their "early warning signs."



Y3 are learning outdoors at Forest School.



Y5 JVS CLASS ASSEMBLY



On Tuesday, Y5 JvS presented a fascinating assembly all about space! The children shared intriguing facts about the solar system and explained concepts such as gravity. Well done to everybody and thank you to the parents and carers who were able to attend.



SPACE!



Homelearning: get involved with your child's education!



Research shows that pupils are more likely to fulfil their academic potential when parents value education and actively become involved in their child's learning.

Taking an interest in homework is one way to support your child's progress and help them to achieve well at school.

Every Thursday, your child will be given their homelearning book containing the tasks they must complete by the following Tuesday. Teachers try hard to make these tasks fun, interesting and accessible for all pupils. Here are some top tips to help you become involved with homework:

- Try to provide a quiet space for your child to use when completing their homelearning. This will help them to concentrate and produce their best work. Encourage them to sit at a desk or dining room table so that their handwriting is neat and tidy.
- Establish a routine. This will encourage your child to be organised and is good preparation for secondary school.
- Sit with your child and talk to them about their homework. Try to explain the task if they don't understand. If you are confused, talk to your child's teacher – they will be more than happy to clarify the task.
- Try not to do the homework **for** your child! Encourage them to have a go by themselves.
- Remember that your child is eligible for a library card which entitles them to borrow up to ten free books from Leamington library. This can be helpful if your child needs to research a topic.
- Practise spellings and times tables with your child as often as possible. Mastering these basic building blocks can make a massive difference to your child's learning.
- Read with your child every day and don't forget that bed time story!
- **Remember – even though homework can sometimes be stressful as a parent, becoming involved and taking an interest in your child's education DOES make a positive difference! You are your child's most important teacher.**

Thank you for your support!





Triple P

The Positive Parenting Programme



The programme is held over 8 weeks. Each session lasts for 2 hours during which you have the opportunity to discuss and plan strategies that can be put into practice at home.

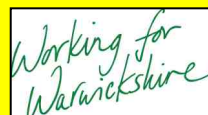
The first session will be held at
Sydenham Primary School on
Thursday November 2nd 2017 from
10.00am—12.00pm

There will be 4 weekly group sessions followed by 2 weeks during which time you will have the opportunity to put the ideas you have learned into practice at home.

You will not be left alone to do this. Your Triple P trainer will be in contact to see how you are doing and to help you with any difficulties. There is then a final 2 hour session to celebrate how well you have done and discuss how to continue with all your good work!

For further information or to
book a place contact:

Tina Fennelly or Harinder Chima
on 01923 339138 or pop into
school for a chat



ONLINE SAFETY

Online Safety

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www.internetmatters.org/

<https://www.common sense media.org/> which both contain easy to understand information and videos on a range of topics including security settings, cyber bullying, screen time, inappropriate content and social networking.

Please remember that applications such as Snap Chat, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, You Tube and What's App are **not** recommended for use by children of primary school age due to safeguarding concerns. We would also urge you to abide by the age restrictions on computer/video games in order to safeguard your child against inappropriate content.

We do all that we can in school to promote online safety which forms part of our PSHE curriculum and is a regular theme for assemblies. However, we would very much appreciate your support in keeping children safe online. To help, there will be regular information pertaining to this matter in future newsletters. If you have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to contact either Miss Glenny, Mrs Westwood or our ICT Coordinator, Mr Hawes.

MUFTI Days

We will be having two MUFTI Days this term on Friday 29th September and Friday 24th November.

On MUFTI Day, pupils are allowed to wear non-school uniform **if they bring in a 50p donation for School Fund**. The money raised is used to buy extra classroom resources and subsidise the cost of trips.

Share- A- Book for KS1

All Y1 and Y2 parents are invited to our Share-a-Book event on Tuesday 17th October at 2.30pm. Please come along and read with your child from a selection of lovely fiction and non-fiction books. Parents/carers should meet at the office and a member of staff will take you down to your child's classroom.

School Photographs

Brush up your smiles because the school photographer will be taking individual portraits of pupils on Wednesday 27th September. **The photographer will also be taking family portraits between 8.15 and 8.55am so, if you would like a picture of all your children together, please come along.**

Attendance

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time.

The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that **children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so**. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent. *Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.*

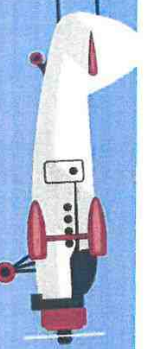
Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance will result in the absence being recorded as an unauthorised absence.



Every day we offer:
Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platters
Fruit Juice Cordial
Organic Semi Skimmed Milk
Fresh Bread Basket
Kerching is offered with selected dishes
Vegetables may vary according to availability

Weekly Menu



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-Week one

Week Commencing 15/5, 5/6, 26/6, 17/7, 4/9, 25/9, 16/10

Choose a main meal...

Red Tractor Pork Sausages with Gravy and Creamy Mashed Potatoes.

(v only) Vegetarian Sausages with Gravy and Creamy Mashed Potatoes.

MONDAY

On the side...
Broccoli and Carrots

For dessert...
(v, h) Flapjack

Choose a main meal...

Red Tractor Barbecue Chicken Fillet Bites with Fresh Salad and a Wrap served with Baked Potato Wedges.

(v only) Quorn Wrap with Fresh Salad, served with Baked Potato Wedges.

TUESDAY

On the side...
Sweetcorn Seasonal Salad

For dessert...
(v, h) Apple and Strawberry Crumble with Custard

Choose a main meal...

Tender Slices of Scottish Beef with a Mini Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy with Roasted Mini Potatoes.

(v only) Quorn Fillet in Gravy with a Mini Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy with Roasted Mini Potatoes.

WEDNESDAY

On the side...
Garden Peas and Carrots

For dessert...
(v) Yeo Valley Organic Yoghurt

Choose a main meal...

Creamy Chicken Korma (Mild) with Whole Grain Rice.

(v only) Rustic Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Herby Diced Potatoes.

THURSDAY

On the side...
Crunchy Carrot and Cucumber Sticks

Homemade Coleslaw Mixed Vegetables

For dessert...
(v, h) Orange or Lemon Drizzle Cake

Choose a main meal...

(misc) Battered Fish Fillet with Chipped Potatoes

(v only) Breadcrumbed Vegetable Fingers with Chipped Potatoes

FRIDAY

On the side...
Garden Peas or Mushy Peas

Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v) Pancake with Banana Chunks

Week two

Week Commencing 22/5, 12/6, 3/7, 11/9, 2/10

Choose a main meal...

Organic Beef Gnil in a Soft Bun with Baked Potato Wedges

(v only) Quorn Burger in a Soft Bun with Baked Potato Wedges

MONDAY

On the side...
Garden Peas and Carrots

For dessert...
(v) Whip with Fruit in Juice

Choose a main meal...

(h) Chicken Pie with Gravy and Creamy Mashed Potatoes

(v only) Vegetarian Sausages with Gravy and Creamy Mashed Potatoes

TUESDAY

On the side...
Broccoli or Crunchy Carrot and Cucumber Sticks

For dessert...
(v, h) Up Beat Chocolate Cake

Choose a main meal...

Roast Pork or Gammon Joint with Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

(v only) Quorn Fillet with Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

WEDNESDAY

On the side...
Fresh Cabbage and Mixed Vegetables

For dessert...
(v, h) Iced Blueberry Muffin

Choose a main meal...

Spagheti Bolognese made with Organic Minced Beef and Garlic Bread

(v only) Jacket Potato with Cheese and Sweetcorn

THURSDAY

On the side...
Sweetcorn and Carrots

Seasonal Salad

For dessert...
(v, h) Apple Pudding with Custard

Choose a main meal...

(misc) Gluten Free Salmon Fillet Fingers with Crispy Goufrette Potatoes

(v only) Breadcrumbed Vegetable Fingers with Crispy Goufrette Potatoes

FRIDAY

On the side...
Garden Peas or Baked Beans

Seasonal Salad

For dessert...
(v) Strawberry Swirl Mousse

Week three

Week Commencing 19/6, 10/7, 18/9, 9/10, 30/10

Choose a main meal...

Organic Pork Meatballs with Rustic Gravy and Pasta

(v only) Quorn 'Meatballs' with Rustic Gravy and Pasta

MONDAY

On the side...
Garden Peas and Sweetcorn or Broccoli

For dessert...
(v, h) Toffee Apple Sponge with Custard

Choose a main meal...

Red Tractor Bacon and Pork Sausage with 1/2 jacket Potato and Beans

(v only) Quorn Burger and Vegetarian Sausage with 1/2 jacket Potato and Beans

TUESDAY

On the side...
Crunchy Carrot and Cucumber Sticks

Homemade Coleslaw or Baked Beans

Choose a main meal...

Red Tractor Roast Chicken Joint with Stuffing, Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

(v only) Quorn Fillet with Gravy and Crispy Roast Potatoes

WEDNESDAY

On the side...
Mixed Vegetables and Broccoli

For dessert...
(v, h) Chef's Iced Sponge Choice

Choose a main meal...

(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza Wedge with Crispy Diced Potatoes

Sweetcorn and Green Beans

THURSDAY

On the side...
Sweetcorn and Green Beans

For dessert...
Jelly with Fruit

Choose a main meal...

(misc) Fish Fillet Fingers with Chipped Potatoes

(v only) Breadcrumbed Vegetable Fingers with Chipped Potatoes

FRIDAY

On the side...
Garden Peas or Mushy Peas

Baked Beans

For dessert...
(v, h) Chocolate Crackle

Lunch Menu



www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolmeals
Menu may change to meet customer preferences.

Tel: 01926412999
Email: countycaterers@warwickshire.gov.uk

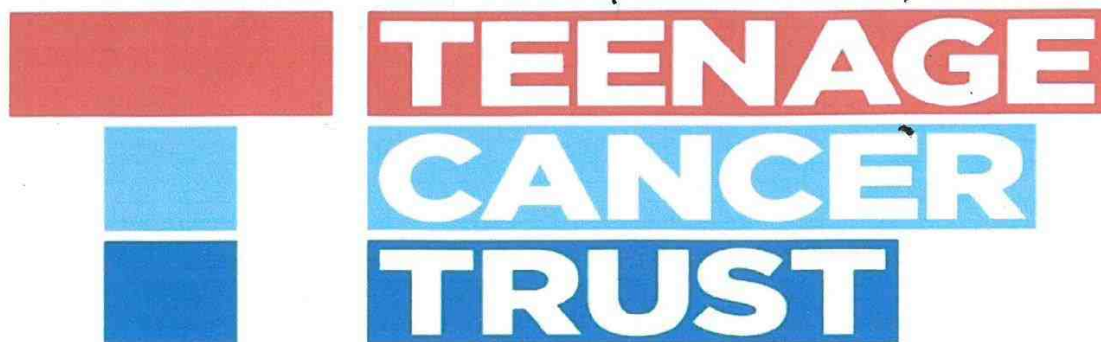
Warwickshire County Caterers

Please contact your school cook for information regarding the content of dishes and products on our menu.

Allergies

Standard





SUNDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2017

12 – 3PM

WHITNASH SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB!

BAR WILL BE OPEN!

GUESS THE BEAR

**RAFFLE PRIZES
INCLUDING:**

- CHIMNEA
 - WARWICK CASTLE
TICKETS
 - RACEDAY VOUCHER
 - SAINSBURYS GIFT CARD
 - YOUNIQUE MAKEUP
 - SKATING PASS AT
PLANET ICE
 - TICKETS TO COTSWOLDS
WILDLIFE PARK
 - & MUCH MORE
- (FULL LIST ON THE EVENT
PAGE VIA FACEBOOK)

BESPOKE

NEALS YARD

DREAMCATCHERS

S & M SWEETS &
THE RAINBOW GLITTER TREATS
FAIRY

BLUEBIRD GIFTS

HAIR BRAIDING WITH
LUCY

TOMBOLA

SUSAN W CROCHETS

P.S. GIFTS

PICK'N'POP CHARMS

MACEY MOO & CASEY
TWO

GIFTWARE BY VAL

BRACELETS & BEADS

CRAFTY4U

ITALIAN CHARM

FASTEST LAP
KIDS LUCKY DIP

JAMBERRY NAILS

TCT CARDS & GIFTS BY
LYNDA

DAVES DEMON CAKES

ORIFLAME

PRETTYBOWS

PEPPERMINT CROCHET

THE LEAFY BOOKWORM

PHOENIX CARDS

* SHREK & FIONA
APPEARING @ 1.15 - 2.15 pm.

See Sharon
(Butterflies)
for raffle tickets

Diary Dates

Diary dates do sometimes change due to unforeseen circumstances. If any date changes, we will always try to notify you via text or letter. However, the following dates are correct at the point of going to press!!

Friday 22nd September 2017
Wednesday 27th September 2017
Friday 29th September 2017
Friday 29th September 2017
Tuesday 17th October 2017
Tuesday 10th October 2017
Thursday 12th October 2017
Thursday 12th October 2017

Monday 16th October—Friday
20th October 2017.
Wednesday 18th October 2017
Thursday 19th October 2017
Friday 20th October 2017
Monday 30th October 2017

Meeting for YR AH parents/carers at 9.30am.
Photographer in school to take individual portraits.
Meeting for YR RK parents at 9.30am.
MUFTI Day—bring 50p to wear non-school uniform..
Share-a-Book for Y1/2 at 2.30pm.
Flu vaccinations for YR—4 (more information soon.)
RSC workshop and performance to Y4 pupils.
Open Morning at 10.00am for prospective Reception,
parents/carers, September 2018.
No clubs (except Breakfast Club and Butterflies) this
week.
Parent's Evening from 3.30—5.30pm.
Parent's Evening from 3.30—7.00pm.
Break up for the half-term holiday.
School closed—INSET (staff training with the RSC.)

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Tuesday 31st October 2017
Tuesday 31st—Friday 3rd October 2017

Tuesday 7th November 2017
Thursday 23rd November 2018

Friday 24th November 2017
Thursday 23rd November 2017
Friday 24th November 2017
Wednesday 29th November—Friday
1st December

Wednesday 6th December 2017
Wednesday 13th December 2017
Friday 15th December 2017
Monday 18th December—Friday
22nd November
Wednesday 20th December 2017
Thursday 21st December 2017
Friday 22nd December 2017
Friday 22nd December 2017

Children return to school.
No clubs (except Breakfast Club and Butterflies) this
week.
Y5 visit Pizza Express.
Open afternoon at 2.00pm for prospective Reception
parents/carers, September 2018.
MUFTI Day (bring 50p to wear non-school uniform.)
Y3 JM visit to Sarehole Mill.
Y3 AH visit to Sarehole Mill.
Y6 residential to Marle Hall, Wales.
Y2 Christmas performance at 9.30am.
Y1 Christmas performance at 9.30am.
Christmas jumper day!
No clubs (except Breakfast Club and Butterflies) this
week.
YR Christmas performance at 9.30am.
Y3/4 music concert for parents at 2.30pm.
Y5/6 music concert for parents at 9.30pm.
Break up for the Christmas holiday.

Sydenham Super Stars!



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Have a great weekend!
Best wishes from Miss Glenny
(Associate Headteacher)