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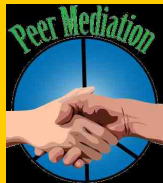
Kayaking Club

Well done to all our Key Stage Two kayakers who have been working hard after school to achieve their Paddle Power Passport. There are 5 levels to work towards within the passport and participants at our Kayaking Club have been very successful at learning skills such as steering their boat, balancing whilst completing a range of tasks and paddling 500 metres. They have also had great fun!





Y5 Peer Mediation Training



This week, Year 5 were trained in peer mediation by our visiting expert, Mr Peter Timms. Both classes enjoyed a morning learning the skills of negotiating conflict situations such as fall outs with friends. Pupils were taught to help others resolve their problems using the five key questions you can see written on the hand in the picture above.

Year 5 will soon be working on the playground as mediators helping their peers to resolve any small scale problems they might encounter. We are very confident that they will do a brilliant job.



RUSSIA

2018 WORLD CUP



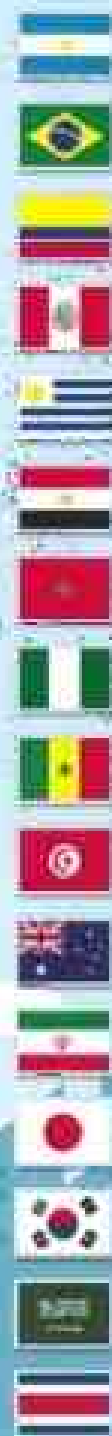
**Thursday
28th June 2018**

England v Belgium - Match Day Favourites Lunch Menu

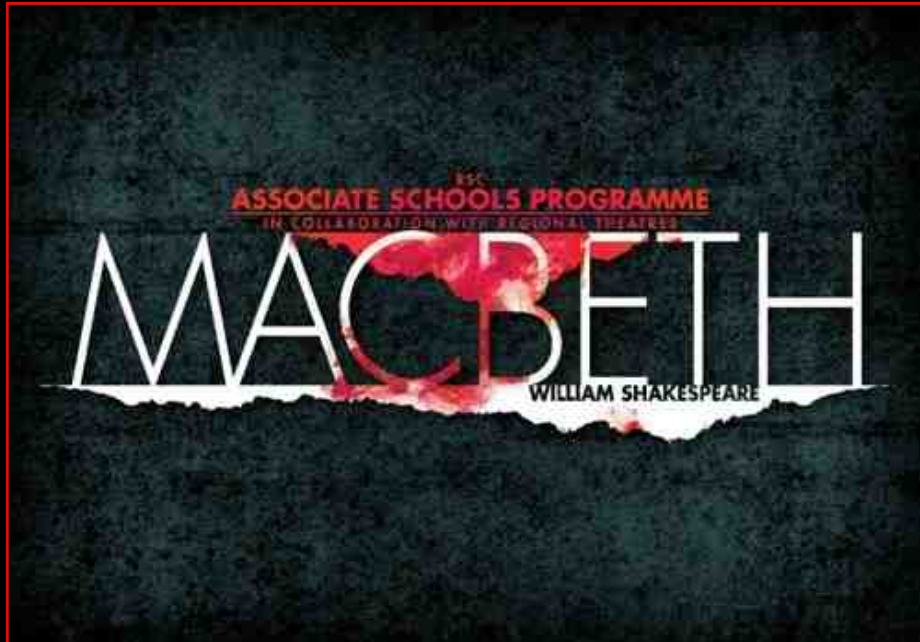
**Turkey Footballs
in a Tasty Tomato Sauce
with Twisty Pasta
(v only) Quorn Footballs**

Vegetables and Salad

**(v) Belgian Waffle
with Fresh Fruit and
Sauce Toppings**



RSC Playmaker's Festival



Y4 KG have been offered the fantastic opportunity of performing at the Royal Shakespeare Company's Playmaking Festival on Thursday 5th July. Pupils will be performing a twenty minute extract from "Macbeth" at The Other Place (the RSC's studio theatre) in Stratford at 4.00pm. Two other schools will also each be performing a twenty minute piece.

On the day of the performance, pupils will travel to Stratford by coach and then undertake a workshop, technical rehearsal, dress rehearsal, curtain call rehearsal and vocal warm-up before the show. You can see pictures of previous Playmaking shows below.

The performance will be an ensemble piece created in collaboration with RSC mentor-director, Kim (who was assistant director for "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and director of "Dido—Queen of Carthage" which played on The Swan's main stage.) The performance will have its own special lighting and sound design and parents are warmly invited to watch. Tickets are available to buy from the RSC box office, priced at £3.00 each. Please call 0844 800 1113 to book.

Miss Gillespie has sent out letters and a photographic consent form to all Y4 KG parents/carers and would be grateful if these could all be returned promptly.



Sydenham PTA

LUCKY BAG BINGO



WEDNESDAY 20TH JUNE

5.30pm – 7pm

(EYES DOWN AT 5.45PM)

4 GAMES OF BINGO

CHILDREN £1

ADULTS £1

INCLUDES FREE ENTRY INTO PRIZE DRAW TO WIN A
FANTASTIC SUMMER HAMPER!

EVERYONE WELCOME – FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

Tree Planting Ceremony



Today, we planted a crab apple tree very kindly donated by Anshika and Shalika's uncle who visited the school last term whilst on holiday from India.

The tree can be seen in the playground and should flower and fruit successfully for many years to come.

Thank you to Mrs Napier, Ms Knight and all the children who helped to plant the tree.



SPLAT! CHILDREN'S ARTS' FESTIVAL

We recently made bids to The Ernest Cook Trust and The Arts' Council to fund an extension of the SPLAT! Arts' festival in Jephson Gardens. We received the fantastic news today that our bids have been successful so we can once again work with Warwick Arts Centre on this exciting project. Miss Glenny is attending a meeting soon to begin planning which artists will be working in school with the children and when the festival will be. Pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experience last academic year and really benefitted from creating theatre, dance and art work with a range of professionals.

Y1 Phonics Screening

Y1 pupils will take the government's statutory phonics screening next week. This will be carried out one-to-one by the class teacher and is designed to identify whether each child has made the relevant progress in developing phonics decoding skills. You will find out the results of your child's phonics screen in their end of year report.

If the screening identifies a pupil who has not made adequate progress, a programme of support will be maintained to help them catch up. The phonics screen will then be taken again in June 2019.

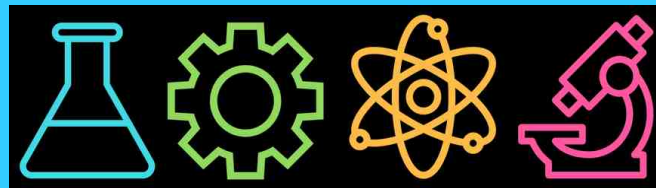
Science Showcase for Parents/Carers

We are holding a Science Showcase on Friday 15th June. The event will be held in both our school halls and you are warmly invited to drop in and see the range of children's learning in Science from Reception right the way up to Year 6. YR and KS1 parents/carers are invited to attend at 2.15pm and KS2 parents at 2.45pm.

Each class will have an exciting stall at the showcase featuring one of the Science topics covered this year. The stall will feature examples of pupils' work, homelearning activities, interactive investigations and non-fiction Science books. Parents/carers will be able to view all the stalls and enjoy free refreshments.

Each stall will be manned by a small group of pupils so please note that your child may not be present at the showcase. We are keen to avoid everybody visiting the event at the same time so please stick to the appropriate time slot to stagger the visits

We look forward to seeing you at the event.



★ ★ Invitation to the YR Celebration of Learning ★ ★

All YR parents/carers will soon receive an invitation to attend a celebration of their child's learning on Friday 22nd June at 2pm.

Families will have the opportunity to view some of the fantastic art work created by pupils this year. They will also be able to look at their child's Learning Journey and enjoy refreshments. Parents/carers will be able to take their Reception child home once they have attended the event but please note that **any older siblings must stay in school until 3.20pm.**

We would love to serve home made refreshments at the celebration and would be very grateful if families would bake cakes and biscuits, bringing them in to school on the morning of Friday 22nd June.

We very much hope you will be able to attend.

District Sports



On Thursday night we participated in the annual District Sports' at Edmonscote athletics' track. A team of pupils competed in events including sprinting, long distance running, relay, throwing and long jump. Our team did incredibly well and we had more first, second and third places than ever before. Some children even competed alongside others in older year groups and were successful.

Pictured above are some of our Year Four winners. Thank you to Onside Coaches for all their hard work over the years teaching children the skills they need to be successful in sport.



Smoking



We have received complaints that some parents/carers are smoking by the school gate. If you do need to smoke please do so well away from the school site which is strictly a no-smoking zone.

Safe Parking and Driving

Unfortunately, we are still having some problems with dangerous driving and inconsiderate or illegal parking in the vicinity of the school.

As Sydenham has doubled in size from a one to a two-form entry primary over the last few years, the number of families needing to access the site has obviously increased. With this in mind it is imperative that parents/carers park and drive with due care to ensure that everybody is safe around school. Safety is **everybody's** responsibility so I would urge you to please follow the guidance below:

- Walk, cycle or scoot to school wherever possible. This is the healthy and most enjoyable option!
- If you absolutely must drive, please park lawfully outside the school, taking care not to block pavements or the driveways of local residents. **Please do not block the school gate.**
- There is not enough space in Calder Walk for everybody to park. If there is no room, please park several streets away and then walk the remainder of the way to school.
- **Do NOT park in the school car park** which is for the use of staff and authorised visitors only. Some parents/carers are repeatedly driving on to the site and then stopping by the playground gate to let their children out of the car. This is **not** allowed as it makes the playground and car park area unsafe.
- Please drive carefully and with courtesy along Calder Walk and be aware that there will be young children crossing the road.
- Please note that any incidences of illegal parking or driving will be reported to the police. **Remember that this is a school and all adults on the premises are role models for our pupils. Please set a good example by behaving well, showing good manners and using appropriate language at all times.**



**Well done to Y1 MBB who had the
highest attendance at school this week
with a brilliant 100%**

Attendance for other classes this week was as
follows:

Y5 JvS	99%
Y5 CB	99%
Y4 KJ	99%
YR RK	99%
Y3 AH	99%
Y1 JL	98%
Y6	98%
Y2 3 JM	97%
Y4 KG	96%
Y2 ES	94%
Y2 HC	93%

**Please note that our school attendance
target is 97%.**

**The minimum acceptable attendance, as
stipulated by Warwickshire Local Authority, is
95%. Low attendance results in poorer
educational progress and attainment.**

Diary Dates

Monday 11th—Friday 15th June 2018	Y1 Statutory Phonics Screening.
Friday 15th June 2018	Science Showcase for parents/carers (time TBC)
Tuesday 19th June 2018	Y5 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Tuesday 19th June 2018	Y1 trip to Warwick Castle.
Wednesday 20th June 2018	PTA bingo night from 5.30—7.00pm.
Thursday 21st June 2018	Performance of “100 Languages” dance piece to YR parents at 2.45pm
Friday 22nd June 2018	Y2 trip to Cadbury World.
Friday 22nd June 2018	YR celebration of learning and art exhibition, 2.00—3.00pm (invitations coming soon!)
Wednesday 27th June 2018	Y6 children visit their secondary schools.
Tuesday 26th June 2018	Y2 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall. (Change of date due to KS1 SAT's)
Friday 29th June 2018	MUFTI Day—bring 50p to wear non-uniform.
Tuesday 3rd July 2018	Y3 class assembly at 9.15am in the hall.
Thursday 5th July 2018	RSC Playmaker's Festival– Y4 KG performing an excerpt from “Macbeth.”
Wednesday 4th July 2018	KS2 Sport's Day (AM) —time to be confirmed.
Friday 6th July 2018	Y3 trip to Chedworth Villa.
Tuesday 10th July 2018	YR/KS21Sport's Day (AM) - time to be confirmed.
Wednesday 11th July 2018	Changeover Day (children meet their new teacher.)
Friday 13th July 2018	Y6 Leavers' Assembly at 9.30am in the hall.
Monday 16th July 2018	Farmer's Market, 3.20pm on the playground.
Tuesday 17th July 2018	Y6 Leavers' Dinner at 6.15pm
Friday 20th July 2018	BREAK UP for the summer holiday.

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Fave a fabulous weekend!
Best wishes from Miss Glenny and Miss Challand (Associate Headteachers)