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SPLAT! Festival

After a year of planning, the SPLAT Festival finally took place on Saturday and it was fantastic! A great big thank you to all the teachers, teaching assistants, parents and carers who came along to join in the fun—it was wonderful to see so many of you there. Below are some highlights of the day:





Before their performance, Year 4 warm up and learn their "flash mob" routinewith Mark and Sarah from Highly Sprung.





(4 KJ and AH perform to a packed marquee!







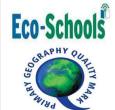


















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A popular performance—"Reynard the Fox" by Fabularium.



The Y3 artwork on display in the gallery.



The Y6 film of their play, "Macduff," on the big screen!

### ★ Farewell, Year 6/ ★ Leavers' Dinner







On Monday evening, Year 6 enjoyed their leavers' dinner and disco. As you can see, everybody made a fantastic effort with their outfits and a great time was had by all. Many thanks to the staff who attended and the County Caterer's chefs who created a delicious meal.

MENU Melon starter Lasagne Garlic bread Potato wedges Side salad Chocolate gateau and cream

### Leavers, Assembly



On Thursday morning, Y6 parents and carers were treated to a wonderful leavers' assembly. The show looked back at some special Sydenham moments including, Marle Hall, The Lion King performance and even the YR nativity. After the performance, each pupil was presented with a gift from school to wish them well on the next, exciting stage of their journey.













































































# Y4 Harry Potter Day

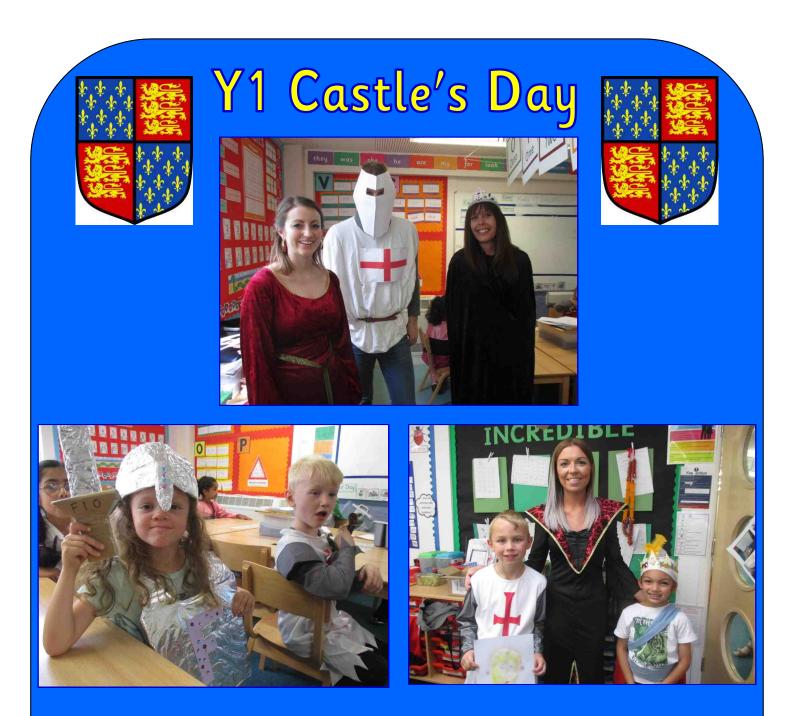




On Monday, Y4 Muggles enjoyed a day of magic when Sydenham Primary School turned in to Hogwarts! Professors Jewsbury and Hawes planned a host of Harry Potter themed lessons for pupils to enjoy including writing spells, making potions and even playing Quidditch!







On Tuesday, in Year One, children enjoyed a special Castle Day. We saw some fantastic costumes including knights, queens, kings and princesses and some lovely pieces of topic related work. Well done, everyone!



## Goodbye and Good Luck



We said a fond farewell to some much loved members of staff this week— Mrs Banks, Mrs Rowan-Lancaster, Miss Owen and Miss Hover.

Over the past few years, Mrs Banks and Mrs Rowan-Lancaster have both dedicated themselves to our school and have provided the best possible education for the children in their care. We are very sad to see them go but know that they will enjoy the exciting new ventures they are undertaking in

September. Mrs Rowan-Lancaster will be busy working for Warwick University and writing her PhD whilst Mrs Banks will be taking up a teaching post closer to her home in Birmingham.

Miss Owen and Miss Hover have both worked incredibly hard this year, supporting the learning of children across the school. In September, Miss Owen begins her paramedic training whilst Miss Hover is commencing maternity leave.

We are welcoming some new members of staff to school: Miss Cullinan (Year 2 teacher) and Mrs Agata Summeril and Miss Pavlinka Velkovs (teaching assistants.) All three are wonderful additions to our existing team.



Well done to the Year 5 pupils who have taken part in our Paired Reading scheme this year, supporting younger children in Year One with their comprehension and decoding skills. To say thank you for their hard work, Mrs Millican and Mrs Birk organised a celebration breakfast for the children on Wednesday morning. We are hoping to extend the scheme next year so that pupils in Reception can also benefit from the expertise of older students.



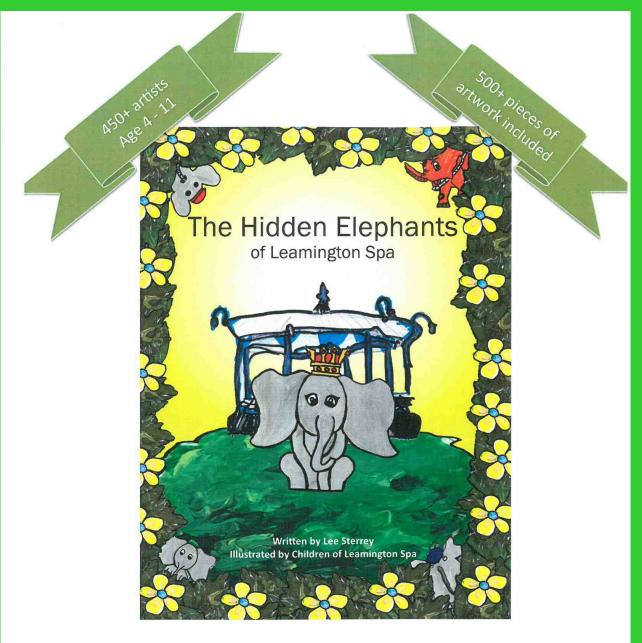




Some special moments from Year Six's last EVER assembly!

### Children's Artwork

The latest book from Lee Sterrey will be available soon and it features artwork by some of our children. A group of our most artistic pupils were chosen to illustrate this story which features Leamington's famous elephants, Haddie, Trilby and



### ART IN THE PARK Jephson Gardens: North Lodge

#### 5th & 6th August 2017

SPECIAL LAUNCH PRICE £5.00\* Meet the Author



\*while stocks last RRP £6.99

## **Police Involvement with Parking**

From September, we will be working with Warwickshire Constabulary to clamp down on illegal parking outside school.

Local Beat Officer, Marie Holt, is keen to receive information about parents/carers who persistently breach parking laws and she has requested that photographic evidence is forwarded to her so appropriate action can be taken.

Local councillors and police colleagues have already visited the school site to assess the parking situation and police officer colleagues have informed us that they **do** have authority to issue on-the-spot tickets to any vehicles parked illegally.

Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation in this matter. In order to avoid accidents and minimise disruption to local residents, it is vital that everybody parks responsibly.

# Mr Tracy's Blog

If you would like to follow Mr Tracy's charity bike ride from Lands End to John O'Groats, please read his blog over the summer holidays. It can be found at:

https://mylejogblog.wordpress.com

### Happy Holiday!

On behalf of all the Sydenham staff, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the care and support you have offered your children this academic year. We are incredibly lucky to serve such a fantastic community and really value the positive relationships we have with you. Your children are absolutely wonderful and make every day in school a pleasure.

I hope you enjoy your six week break and we look forward to seeing you once again on Monday 4th September 2017.

All the best, From Miss Glenny (Associate Headteacher)