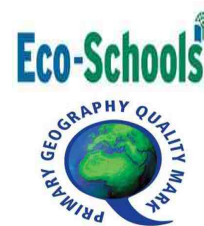




KS2 Sport's Day

Much fun was had at our Key Stage Two Sport's Day on Tuesday which featured a range of games and races. Many thanks to Onside Coaches who organised this event for our younger and older children. We will announce the winning house as soon as we have calculated the points. Good luck everyone!



YR Assembly



On Tuesday, Reception performed a wonderful assembly showcasing their learning based on "The Tempest" by William Shakespeare. The children did a wonderful job of re-telling the story of the play and re-creating the storm using instruments and movement. Parents and carers were also treated to some stunning reading of Shakespearian verse! Everybody performed with confidence and showed a genuine understanding of the characters and plot of "The Tempest."



"The Tempest" by William Shakespeare



Big Sleepover

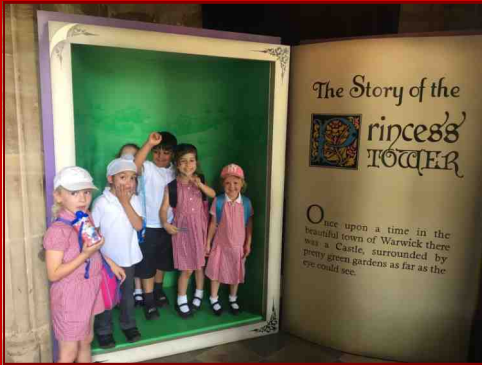
On Friday, Y3 were very excited to be sleeping at school for the night! During the evening, everybody enjoyed games and activities before snuggling up for a bed time story. In the morning, after breakfast, the children participated in games on the play-ground before being picked up by parents and carers. All pupils behaved beautifully and had great fun. Well done, children and thank you to the adults who also slept over.





Year One Trip

On Monday, Year One visited Warwick Castle as part of their History topic. The children toured the castle and enjoyed watching the bow man and seeing the birds of prey. Thank you to all the adults who looked after the children so well on this visit.



Warwick Castle

Looking at Learning: Religious Education

Learning about tolerance and respect for different faiths is an important part of our curriculum. Across Warwickshire, children follow a locally approved syllabus which focuses on Christianity as well as other world religions such as Sikhism, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism. Lessons draw out the similarities between faiths as well as different ways of worship. Here's a snapshot of our RE lessons last week:



In Y1, pupils learnt about the role Puja plays in Hindu worship.



Children in Y2 were exploring what faith means. They went on to learn about Guru Nanak, the founder of the Sikh faith.



In Y3, pupils were learning about the story of Romulus and Remus. They made comparisons with the story of Moses.



The lesson in Y4 focussed on meditation as a means to still one's thoughts and connect to God.



In Y5, pupils were thinking about the different words that Christians use to describe their God.

The Y6 lesson explored the idea of a religious journey. Pupils worked in the Forest School area exploring important personal milestones.



Save the Date!



Come to our Farmer's Market

On Friday 30th June, we are holding a Farmer's Market on the school playground at 3.20pm. Each class will have its own stall selling a range of home grown or home made goods including plants, scones, salad and vegetables. We look forward to seeing you there!

You are invited to....

SYDENHAM PRIMARY FARMERS' MARKET

Plants

Homemade Cakes

Vegetables

Fruit

FRIDAY 30TH JUNE
3:20 - 4pm

Classes for September 2017

We are very pleased to announce our staffing for September 2017. The classes are as follows:

CURRENT CLASS	TEACHER IN SEPTEMBER 2017
Reception	See separate letter
Y1 JL (Mr Lee)	Miss Styles (Y2 ES)
Y1MBB (Mrs Bartley-Bond)	Miss Cullinan (Y2 HC)
Y2ES (Miss Styles)	Mr Hawes (Y3 AH)
Y2JRL (Mrs Rowan Lancaster)	Miss Martin (Y3 JM)
Y3JM (Miss Martin)	Miss Gillespie (Y4 KG)
Y3 CB (Miss Ball)	Miss Jewsbury (Y4 KJ)
Y4 AH (Mr Hawes)	Mrs Van de Sterren (Y5 JVS)
Y4 KJ (Miss Jewsbury)	Miss Ball (Y5 CB)
Y5 (Miss Jones)	Miss Jones (Y6 KJ)

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to some much loved members of our current team as they move on to pursue some exciting challenges.

Mrs Rowan-Lancaster is taking a break from teaching to undertake a PhD in the field of educational research whilst **Mrs Banks** is taking up a teaching position in a school closer to her home so that she can spend more time with her family. Mrs Rowan Lancaster and Mrs Banks have contributed so much to our school and been amazing teachers. We will be very sorry indeed to see them go!

We are also sad to lose Miss Owen, teaching assistant in Y4AH and our Food for Life Coordinator. Miss Owen is beginning her training as a paramedic—an exciting venture. Miss Hover, our Y6 teaching assistant, will commence her maternity leave at the end of the term and we wish her well with her growing family.

At a time of teaching shortages and diminishing finances, we are very lucky at Sydenham to have retained a team of incredibly skilled and committed teachers, dedicated to getting the very best out of pupils. **Children will have the chance to spend time with their new teachers on Changeover Day (June 28th 2017.)** The day is designed to smooth the transition between classes and give pupils and staff the chance to get to know one another a little better. The children will start and end the day with their current teachers so pick-up and drop-off arrangements remain the same.

Y6 Leavers' Events

Y6 will be performing their final assembly to parents and carers on Thursday 20th July at 9.15am. It looks like being a very exciting show and we would like to warmly invite the families of all Y6 children to attend.

The Y6 leavers' dinner will be on Monday 17th July from 6.00 to 7.30pm. Invitation will be sent out closer to the date.

Photo's of the Week



Year One parents, carers and children enjoy their summer party.

Diary Dates

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

Tuesday 27th June 2017	YR Team Challenge event at Camion from 1.15—2.45pm.
Wednesday 28th June 2017	Changeover Day
Friday 30th June 2017	MUFTI Day
Friday 30th June 2017	Farmer's Market on the playground
Monday 3rd July 2017	YR trip to The Cotswold Wildlife Park.
Wednesday 5th July 2017	Y2 Summer Party for parents/carers at 2.30pm
Wednesday 5th July 2017	Y5 performance of "The Tempest" at the RSC Playmaker's Festival.
Wednesday 5th July 2017	Y6 trip to "Jump In" and Frankie and Benny's.
Wednesday 12th July 2017	Last session with Bayleaf Cookery School
Wednesday 12th July 2017	Stay and Play session for 2017-18 Reception parents
Thursday 13th July 2017	Stay and Play session for 2017-18 Reception parents
Thursday 13th July 2017	Y6 trip to The London Dungeons—CANCELLED.
Monday 17th July 2017	Y6 Leavers' dinner from 6.00—7.30pm.
Saturday 15th July 2017	SPLAT! Children's Arts' Festival in Jephson Gardens.
Wednesday 19th July 2017	KS1 Share a Book from 2.30—3.00pm.
Thursday 20th July 2017	Y6 leavers' assembly at 9.15—Y6 parents/carers warmly invited.
Friday 21st July 2017	Break up for the summer holiday.

Return to school on Monday 4th September 2017

KS1 Share a Book



On Wednesday 19th July, from 2.30—3.00pm, Years One and Two will be having a Share a Book session. Parents and carers are warmly invited to come in to school to read a story book with their child—please meet outside the office and a member of staff will take you down to the appropriate classroom. At 3.00pm, pupils will return to class for the end of the day with pick-up procedures as normal.

Thank you!

Thank you very much to the Sue Ryder Foundation who have kindly donated seven, beautiful doll's houses for use in school. We really appreciate this act of kindness.

Sydenham Super Stars!



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Have a lovely weekend, everyone.
From Miss Glenny
(Associate Headteacher)