

# Sydenham Primary School Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

## World Book Day

A really big thank you to everyone for working hard and making our World Book Day such a success. The children and staff looked fantastic and we had the best range of book characters ever! Inside you will find some class photographs to show all the children's great outfits. Apologies from y5 who in the excitement of the event forgot! Miss Clifton's class are taking their individual photographs home after next week's Big Writing.

## Years 3 and 4

Year 3's Trip to the Rald Dahl Museum and year 4 's trip to St. John's Museum were very successful. More details next week.

## Reception Class Activity afternoons

Thank you to all the parents who took part in Mrs Harrad and Miss Bond's afternoon activity sessions last week.

## School Dress Code

We are making some slight changes to our school uniform and would appreciate your cooperation in this matter. Please see the chart over the page.



International  
School Award  
2010-2013



Healthy Schools



Extended  
Services  
Warwickshire



## School Dress Code

Our school dress code is smart, practical, easy to obtain and not too expensive. Most parents support the wearing of uniform because it looks smart and prevents morning battles about what to wear! Please help us maintain the high level of presentation of our children by keeping to the list below.

### Boys' Uniform

White or red polo shirt or white shirt

Grey or black trousers

Red jumper or red sweatshirt

Grey or black shorts (in summer months)

Black sensible shoes (no trainers or boots)

Grey, white or black socks

### Girls' Uniform

White or red polo shirt or white shirt

Grey or black trousers or skirt

Red jumper, red cardigan or red sweat-shirt

Red and white checked summer dress-with white socks

Black sensible shoe (no trainers, pumps or boots)

Grey, white or black socks; grey or black tights

## Attendance Stars

Our whole school attendance target is 97% this academic year. Unfortunately due to an outbreak of chicken pox this week in our KS1 classes.

### This week's attendance:

Class R AH 90.4%

Class R MB 88.9%

Year 1 KH 93.2%

Year 1 LC 94.4%

Year 2 96.6%

Year 3 95.7%

Year 4 99.4%

Year 5 94.9%

Year 6 96.3%

### Overall Attendance:

**Congratulations to Year 4 who achieved 99.4% this week - a fantastic achievement**



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Don't we look great in Reception and Year 1





Look how cute everyone looks!





Children had great fun dressing up as their favourite character in  
Years 4 & 6





# International Women's Day

Saturday 8th March 2014

1pm until 5pm

Join us in celebrating International Women's Day at the SYDNI Centre, Leamington Spa for an afternoon of entertainment,

The SYDNI Centre, Cottage Square, Sydenham, Leamington Spa, CV31 1PT Tel: 01926 422071  
Ladies that Lunch!

Join us for lunch our volunteers will cook food from around the world

1pm

Low Wimmen

All Women choir performing songs for change. Famous throughout Warwick District for their stunning harmonies and beautiful tone, not to be missed.

1:30pm

Disability is not Inability - Women Speak out

A film made about Rwandan women and there experience of disability in Rwanda. The Film will be followed by a live Skype link to Rwanda and an oppor-unity for you to speak directly to Women and put forward your questions or thoughts.

2:00pm

Singing Workshop

Rebecca Knight will be putting song in our hearts with her fantastic singing workshop. Come and join in and see how amazing singing can make you feel.

3:00pm

Cord - Ending Violence against Women

Hear Caroline Dolan talk about the fantastic work Cord does with women across the world including their campaign to end all violence against women and their support programmes for women fleeing their homes as refugees.

3:00pm

Inspiring Change at Work

Ruth Waring presents how she has inspired change in the work environment from the start of her career 24 years ago in the heavily male-dominated haul-age industry. Ruth now runs her own extremely successful consultancy business in Leamington so any budding female entrepreneurs should come and hear her tips!

3:45pm

Shanade & friends

Live music from some of Leamington's most talent-ed singers and song writers

1:00 & 2:10pm & 3:45pm

Moving Instincts—Dance



# RECEPTION

## Share an Activity



Reception's second 'share and activity' afternoon was another success! Children shared many activities such as counting the correct money and matching it to the price tag on our maths table, writing a letter to Grandma from Little Red Riding Hood, and making medicine for Grandma using rose petals, water, mint leaves and lots more. Thank you to all those who came to share a range of activities with their child. We greatly appreciate your support. Arandeep Harrad



## Parent Workshops

At Sydenham Primary School we value our school – parent link and believe that by working together we can ensure that children achieve their full potential. We have designed a series of workshops to explain to you what we do at school and how you can support your child's learning at home. It is also an opportunity to find out more about the teaching at Sydenham Primary. The workshops are fun and engaging and no prior knowledge of any subject is required.

Over the course of five weeks we are going to look at:

- How children learn
- Maths learning
- Talk home-learning
- Introduction to the My Maths platform we use at school
- How to support your child's learning and strategies to use effectively at home

### Time and Dates

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2014 9.15-10.45

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014 9.15-10.45

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014 9.15-10.45

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 9.15-10.45

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 9.15-10.45

**Please complete the form below and return to the school office. Thank you.**

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I would like to attend the Parent Workshops:

Name

Child's class

Contact Number