



Summer Term 2017

30th June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fab couple of weeks it has been! As I settle in to my new role, I have been able to see the school from a different perspective. Being around school much more means that I have been able to witness all the brilliant creative learning and enrichment opportunities that the children have been engaged in.

Our Sports Day Extravaganza was a huge success - many thanks to Miss Marrison and FOGS who did a great job of organizing such an enjoyable day. The teachers all commented on how much the children enjoyed the day, and it was great to see so many parents involved too.

Robins have been cooling down in Antarctica, exploring ice and creating play-doh polar bears! Barn Owls have been busy growing their own pizzas on the allotment, and applying lots of maths and literacy skills in their outdoor 'Garden Centre' learning space.

Nightingales have been off to Short Wood for a spot of orienteering, and have also been creating some woodland collages. Their Van Gogh artwork is also very impressive! Red Kites have been busy rehearsing 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', and creating some wonderful poetry about magical woodlands.

As we rapidly approach the end of term, there are a few things to be aware of.

Nightingales welcome all parents into class from 1.30pm on Thursday 13th July to their Van Gogh art exhibition. The children have been working really hard on their pieces and are keen to show them off!

FOGS have organized an end of term disco, also on Thursday 13th July, straight after school from 3.30pm to 4.30pm for all children. Tickets are priced at £4 per child, £2 for siblings, from Joanna in the office, and include a 'snack bag' to take home for every child. Parents are expected to stay with their children for this event. There will be no 'Change for Life' club on that day.

All the children in school have produced some wonderful artworks which will be displayed at the Southwick Village Show, Southwick Village Hall, Saturday 15th July. Please take along the petunias you have been growing - you may win a prize!

The children have all been working hard on their dance routines and rehearsals for 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. Our summer production takes place on Tuesday 11th July at 2pm and Wednesday 12th July at 6pm. Please purchase your tickets from Joanna in the office at £1.50 each. Ticket sales help to fund the cost of the hire of the stage lights. There will be an open dress rehearsal on Monday 10th July at 2pm. If you have very young children, please bring them along to the dress rehearsal as opposed to the performances, as it can sometimes be very difficult to hear the children on stage over noisy babies and toddlers (much as we love them!).

Finally, please return any cups or trophies won and presented last Summer Term to Joanna in the office as soon as possible, ready to give out to the new recipients in our Leavers' Assembly on Friday 21st July at 2pm.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Lou Coulthard, Head of School

Sports Extravaganza Day !



Move up day!

On Tuesday, 18th July, all the children will move up to their new classes for the day. The children will have a chance to get to know their new teachers and experience what it will be like in September. Please bring the children to the classrooms that they will be in in September at the usual time of 8.45am. Pick up will be from their new classrooms at the usual time.

Class 2017-18	Teacher 2017-18
Robins (EYFS)	Mrs Zoe Taggart and Miss Louise Gregory
Barn Owls (Years 1&2)	Miss Debbie Vickers
Nightingales (Years 3&4)	Mrs Wendy Edwards
Red Kites (Years 5&6)	Mr Tom Ormston

Sports Evening



Don't forget our Sports Evening at Southwick Playing Field, this Wednesday, 5th July, at 6pm! All children to attend.



Music Tuition

The children in years 2, 3, 4 and 5 were treated to strings, woodwind and brass performances by our peripatetic music teachers last week. Please complete the forms that were sent home, if you wish your child to receive music tuition from September.

Week beginning 3 rd July		
Monday 3 rd July	Swimming Y1-4	Tennis Club
Tuesday 4 th July		Gymnastics club
Wednesday 5 th July	Strings tuition Running Club	Sports Evening 6pm Southwick playing field
Thursday 6 th July	Gardening club	Change4Life club
Friday 7 th July	Brass / Woodwind tuition Weaving Club	Striking and Fielding club
Week beginning 10 th July		
Monday 10 th July	Swimming Y1-4 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' dress rehearsal 2pm	Tennis Club
Tuesday 11 th July	'A Midsummer Night's Dream' summer performance 2pm	Gymnastics club
Wednesday 12 th July	Running Club	'A Midsummer Night's Dream' summer performance 6pm
Thursday 13 th July	Barn Owls Class trip to Dobbies Garden Centre	FOGS disco 3.30pm-4.30pm No Change4Life club
Friday 14 th July	Brass Tuition Weaving Club	Striking and Fielding club
Saturday 15 th July	Southwick Village Show	
Week beginning 17 th July		
NO CLUBS THIS WEEK		
Monday 17 rd July	Swimming Y1-4 Yr 6 Transition to Prince William School	
Tuesday 18 th July	MOVE UP DAY Yr 6 Transition to Prince William School	
Wednesday 19 th July		Year 6 Leavers' Service Southwick Church 6pm
Thursday 20 th July		
Friday 21 st July	Last day of term 2pm Leaver's Assembly at school - all welcome	
Kids Week		
See the link below for some great opportunities to purchase children's cut-price tickets to top London shows over the summer!		
Chattabox		
Each Summer, St. Peter's Church in Oundle run "Chattabox", an exciting week of arts, crafts, sports, music and learning about Jesus and Christianity. Please see following link for more details : http://www.oundlestpeters.org.uk/youngpeople/chatterbox/		
Free Cricket Coaching		
Please see attached flyer re some free Summertime Cricket Coaching at Benefield Cricket Club		
Children return to school on Tuesday 5th September 2017!		