

Southdale Sparkle

23rd November 2018

Tanzania Fundraising Day

On Friday 30th November, we are holding a non-uniform day and cake sale to raise funds for our sister school: Kinyariri, in Tanzania. Please can children bring a £1 donation for coming in non-uniform wearing the colours of the Tanzanian flag (green, yellow, black or blue). Please send in nut-free donations of cakes, buns and biscuits; gluten-free cake donations would also be greatly appreciated. These can be brought in anytime from Wednesday 28th November. We are so grateful for any donations, which will be sold at 3:25 on Friday.



Thank you from Mrs Donnelly and the JLT

Children in Need and Anti-bullying

We are pleased to say we raised £323.56 pounds for Children in Need and Anti-bullying Alliance thank you to everyone who contributed.

Heart Radio

This week, Heart radio came into school to record two of our children as part of their 'Sleeps to Christmas' promotion, which they will play on Heart radio in December! They had lots of fun and we will let you know which day our children's recording will be played.



Staying Safe



This week, the NSPCC have been into school to lead assemblies in each year group. Our number one aim at Southdale, is to ensure our children are safe and the NSPCC talked to children about having the right to speak out and stay safe. The children learned in more detail, about how to keep themselves free from harm and how to get help if they have any worries. We look forward to welcoming the NSPCC back into school next week for further workshops.



Year 3

At the start of the week, we had an unexpected visit from a doctor. Shockingly, it turns out that those books that have been disappearing for the last 2 weeks have not been stolen, they've been eaten!

Believe it or not, a young boy called Henry has developed a strange love of books but instead of reading them, he can't stop eating them. His

obsessive behaviour has taken over his life and has made him quite ill.

The doctor has asked for our help to tell his story in order to warn other children about the signs and dangers of

obsessive behaviours.

In maths this week, we have been looking at the addition and subtraction method and making sure that we understand how to exchange numbers. We have been practising showing our understanding in lots of different ways including using number lines, place value grids and columns. Even more exciting is the fact that we have begun casting for the Year 3 Nativity! With 92 children to think about, this is a mammoth task but we cannot wait.

For more photos of these events please see our twitter page @ SouthdaleY3

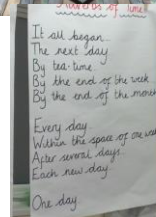
Year 4

As usual, Year 4 have had a week filled with exciting learning! We started the week with our Narrative Curriculum drama. We transformed from villagers into silent observers in the form of trees where we watched the missing children meander through the forest and disappear into a sugarcoated gingerbread house. This has started our two-week writing block for a third person narrative description about the children in the forest.

In art, we have used observational skills to draw detailed trees. We use perseverance and creativity to make these as realistic as possible. Our sketching and shading techniques are improving through our hard work.

During this term, we will be working on rugby skills in PE. We have already had a few sessions with a coach who has been consolidating throwing and catching skills. The children are thoroughly enjoying this opportunity and showing some fantastic talent in the sport.

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Year 5



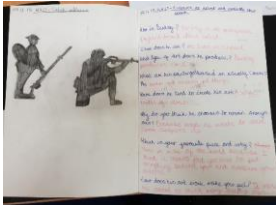
Year 5 have had a fantastic week. Our drama work was based around Gunnar talking to a mysterious old man about his journey to Valhalla. Although helpful, the old man only had a partial map to help find his way. In role, our Year 5s have mapped out his dangerous and deadly journey to Bifrost in the Land of Ice and Fire. We are now in the process of analysing



instructional texts, to ensure that we can give Gunnar the best instructions for his quest. We have also been analysing Viking artefacts and discovering the Viking chronology. In Maths, we have been looking at factors and square numbers. We also enjoyed another swimming lesson this week, with a focus on becoming more confident with the different strokes we learnt last half term.

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Year 6

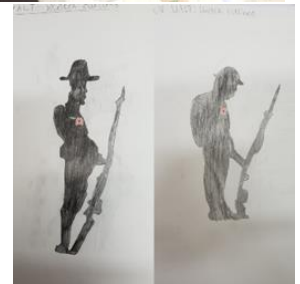


This week, in Year 6, we have been continuing our studies into prominent figures of both World Wars. We have examined and analysed biographies of Anne Frank and Winston Churchill, ready for writing our own biography of famous war poet Wilfred Owen.



Last week we held our first biscuit-tasting extravaganza. Members of 6ZR and 6RM have already shared their culinary talents with parents and relatives, whilst listening to wartime favourites on the wireless and sharing our war-themed work. Children have been given a letter to tell you when their cooking day is – make sure you do not miss out

In art: we started our next project. First, we sketched some silhouette soldiers, before studying the work of Banksy. We were so intrigued as to who he really is! Look out for our own designs soon...



In PE, we continued to learn the Lindy-Hop, before constructing our own dance routines based on various wartime scenarios.



Thank you for continuing to bring in your own learning based on our topic theme. We love it when you bring things in from home!

Have a great weekend!



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Sport



Athletic

Ossett Academy held a sports event, in their sports hall. Eighteen Year 5 students attended the event. It was a fabulous experience for us all. We are happy to announce we came 2nd out of four different schools.

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Netball tournament

Southdale hosted a fantastic netball tournament Thursday 21st November. Although it was cold, the girls certainly showed the Southdale Sparkle and came third.



Special mentions

3LS	William	Always being incredibly enthusiastic
3AS	Mia	For always being kind and caring for everyone in class
3LH	Henry	Fantastic maths work – you are certainly challenging yourself
4RD	Oliver	For always trying his very best in everything he does – well done
4RR	Abigail	For fantastic enthusiasm in English
4SF	Matilda	For a fantastic week in and out of class
5SB	Alicia	For hard work and dedication to her learning
5AM	Alicia	For always being enthusiastic and willing to share ideas in lessons
5GM	Ewan	For showing much greater effort and focus in class – keep it up
6MF	Maisie	For constant effort and good behavior
6ZR	Charlie	For a fantastic contribution and positive attitude in everything
6RM	Alanna	For putting in a great effort in class this week and doing extra homework
HT Award	Libby & Hannah	For being immersed in our curriculum and producing extra homework from this.

Attendance winners for the week 6RM won for a second week in a row with 98.81%

3AS	96%	4RD	95%	5AM	98%	6MF	95%
3LH	98%	4RR	94%	5GM	97%	6RM	98%
3LS	96%	4SF	96%	5SB	94%	6ZR	95%



Important Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
6 December	School Christmas Disco
11 December	Year 3 nativity in school
13 December	Year 3 Nativity in the church
13 December	School Christmas Lunch
9 January 2019	Young Voices
18,19 and 20 March	Year 4 Visit to Robinwood
25 March – 27 March 2019	Year 5 visit to Whitby
24 June – 27 June 2019	Year 6 visit to France

Term Dates 2018 - 2019

Date	Event
Monday 3rd September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 4 th September	School opens
Thursday 25 th October	School closes for half term
Friday 26th October	INSET DAY
Monday 5 th November	School opens
Friday 21 st December	School closed for the Christmas Holidays
Monday 7 th January	School opens
Friday 15 th February	School closes for the half term
Monday 25 th February	School opens
Friday 5 th April	School closes
Tuesday 23 rd April	School opens
Thursday 2nd May	INSET DAY
Friday 24 th May	School closes for half term
Monday 3 th June	School opens
Friday 19 July	School closes for the summer holiday

We have 0 closure (INSET) for staff training to be allocated for 2018/2019