

Southdale SPARKLE

Our new Head Boy and Head Girl!



We have had an exciting week of elections for our head boy and head girl. Having written fantastic letters of application, these six children gave speeches to the whole school. We could not be more proud of each and every one of them; they will all have a place on our Junior leadership team. The results of the votes were closer than ever, which is a testament to all the children who applied. Our new head boy is Elijah and our new head girl is Melissa.

They said, *'We hope to have a real impact in the school by making sure we represent everyone's voice, and by setting some achievable goals for the year!'*

Melissa also shared a quote with us in Assembly this morning which shows the difference they want to make.

'If your eyes are positive, you will love the world, however, if your tongue is positive, the world will love you.'

YEAR 3



Smashing Survival Skills!

This week, our Year 3 children have been catapulted into 'The Great Outdoors' in order to learn incredibly important survival skills. They have worked together to learn how to find, collect and purify water. Filled with enthusiasm and a desire to succeed, they have trekked to Springmill and built natural dens and shelters to protect themselves from harsh weather. With the support of their peers, they have mastered the art of lighting a fire using flint and steel and know the different ways to build a fire safely.

It has been an absolute pleasure to watch the children explode with excitement and beam with pride at their personal achievements.



YEAR 4



In maths this week, we've been busy working on developing our understanding of the very complicated concept - Roman Numerals. We persevered and definitely had to apply our growth mind-set to really embed this brand-new concept. Not only that, but we also started looking at rounding. Busy, busy, busy!



It was 4EB's turn in the kitchen this week, and they had fun making sweet potato and carrot soup. It was delicious!

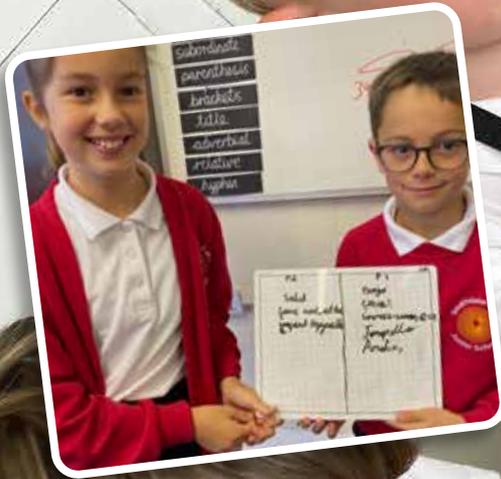
The Mysterious Vanishings!

Having received a very desperate plea for help on Monday, we've been on the case trying to develop our skills of what makes an effective news article. S Mittens, who is the editor of the *Perdunia Gazette*, got in touch to inform us that his chief cat writer has himself succumbed to the strange vanishings which have been setting whiskers twitching on the streets of the city. As we're well known as the best cat council around, we're now busy preparing our own news articles to spread the news before further disruption is caused.

Our narrative learning once again challenged us as geographers. We explored where Mesopotamia would have been situated in the world by looking at modern day maps.

YEAR 5

5FD's Italian bread and pasta soup was delicious and for some of us it was our first year 5 cooking experience and we cannot wait for more gorgeous recipes throughout the year!



Plea to Protect Eoforwic!

It's official... The Vikings are coming! This week, we have been pleading to the Ealdormen of Eoforwic, begging them to help defend our town! We are so proud of our persuasive letters and are sure that the Ealdormen will answer our pleas for protection against these vile Vikings!

We were jumping our way through PE this week, practicing our long jumps, triple jumps and speed jumps. Greg Rutherford eat your heart out!

Ecoutez! Listen! We have absolutely loved our fabulous French lessons this week. Learning some fun new songs and our French accents are coming along nicely!

YEAR 6



Strumming to Perfection!

Year 6 have had another great week and have been shining like stars in the universe! We started the week with our first guitar lesson. We are super excited to improve our music skills and learn to read music so we can play more complex songs.

In **English**, we have transformed into investigative journalists. We will be gathering information in order to learn more about our character's journey and report this to the rest of the world.

In **R.E**, we looked at the parable 'The Wise and Foolish Builder'. We used different materials to build a structure to highlight how our values and foundations impact our lives. This helped us to understand some Christian foundations for living.



THIS WEEK'S HOMEWORK

Year 3

Spelling pattern: The or sound spelt a before l and ll.

Almost, Always, Altogether, Also, Already
Stalking, Talking, Walked
Called, Smallest

Year 4

Spelling pattern: Over the next week, we will be looking at adding im- to root words beginning with m or p.

Here are some of the words we will be focusing on:

Immature
Impatient
Impolite
Immoral
Impossible

Year 5

Read for 20 minutes every night, TT Rock Stars, My Maths (this will be set by your class teacher) and practise spellings.

The **spelling pattern** for this week are the prefixes: un, in, dis and mis.

Here are some examples to be practising:

Misunderstand, Misbehave
Disappear
Unknown
Incomplete

Year 6

Read for 20 minutes every night, TT Rock Stars, My Maths (this will be set by your class teacher) and practise spellings.

The **spelling rule** for this week is -ing, -ed, -est and -er suffixes.

Here are some examples to be practising:

Sprinting, Sweetest, Prouder, Floated, Hunter, Yawning, Asked

THIS WEEK'S SPARKLERS

Head Teachers Award



**Ruth
(4EB)**

For approaching every aspect of school life with a shining attitude.
You are a star!

Special Mentions

3LS	Marlow S	For his passion, enthusiasm and excellent attitude to learning in every subject!
3RG	Ellie A	For always being the best person you can be! You are always ready, always listening and are an all round superstar!
3SG	Olivia B	For simply being the Southdale Sparkle! You are focused, ready to learn, and a pleasure to teach!
4AM	Chloe H	For being an absolute superstar. You epitomise the Southdale Sparkle and are an absolute brilliant role model to us all in 4AM.
4EB	Matilda R	For creating an amazing double paged spread filled with accurate geographical facts all about Mesopotamia.
4LH	Poppy S	For showing great perseverance with rounding numbers to 10 in maths this week. You had the courage to say you didn't understand at first but kept working hard to achieve success. Well done!
5BR	Sophie H	For being a consistent role model, always doing the right thing and helping Miss Rosamond demonstrate a triple jump in PE!
5FD	Oscar H	For demonstrating excellent writing skills and creating a fantastic persuasive letter. Well done!
5MF	Flynn T	For writing an excellent persuasive letter. Not only did you ensure you improved your letter but you also helped other people edit their letters.
6CS	Olivia AR	For showing great enthusiasm and passion in every subject. No matter the challenge you face it head on and always with a smile.
6EZ	Henry FA	You always put 100% into all your work. You are extremely kind and helpful. Well done!
6ZR	Emily C	For such high enthusiasm and passion when writing your diary entry. You have worked exceptionally hard to make it the best that it can be!

KEY DATES 2021-22

Upcoming events

12 and 13 October	Y5 Danelaw Viking day
19 and 20 October	Parents Evening
1 December	Christmas Fair
8 December	Christmas Disco
7 January 2022	Young Voices, Sheffield Arena

Autumn Term 2021

Monday 6 September	School opens
Thursday 21 October	School closes for half term
Friday 22 October	School closed - Queen's platinum jubilee
Monday 1 November	INSET DAY
Tuesday 2 November	School opens
Thursday 2 December	INSET DAY
Friday 17 December	School closes for the Christmas Holidays

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4 January	INSET DAY
Wednesday 5 January	School opens
Friday 18 February	School closes for half term
Monday 28 February	School opens
Friday 8 April	School closes for Easter Holidays

Summer Term 2022

Monday 25 April	School opens
Monday 2 May	BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 27 May	School closes for half term
Monday 6 June	School opens
Friday 22 July	School closes for Summer Holidays
Monday 25 July & Tuesday 26 July	INSET DAYS

SAFEGUARDING TEAM



Mrs K Partington

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs R Mohebi

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs R Randall

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss R Mallas

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr V Foster

Safeguarding Governor



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C of E Junior school

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