

# Southdale **SPARKLE**

## Building works well underway!



The building works are well underway, and the transformation of the old outside storage area is beginning to take shape. The renovations will provide a self-contained building for our very own Sparkles wraparound provision, and it will also be a fantastic additional teaching and learning space.

# YEAR 3

## The Story of Galapagos!

In English, we have been reading all about how one of the Galapagos Islands came to be and how it grew and transformed over millions of years. We plan to retell its journey in the style of a narrative recount next week.

*In geography this week, we have been learning about the layers of the Earth, tectonic plates and how their movements are linked to the changing landscape of our planet. We understand where the Galapagos Islands are in relation to these plate boundaries and how the volcanic islands of Galapagos formed over millions of years.*



*In PE, we have been developing our tennis skills. We have been practising our forehand and backhand strokes and have been making sure that we move into the best position to receive the ball.*



# YEAR 4

## Ivan update!

After writing our really effective setting descriptions of Ivan's domain last week, Ivan has been in touch with our next task. He has asked us to help him detail his early life as he begins to write his autobiography. We are working on detailing his early life, and capturing the terrible day he was captured and brought into captivity.

*4EB enjoyed making sweet potato curry and spinach curry with Miss Woolley.*

*In art, we have begun our final sketches of Ivan. Using the different sketching techniques we looked at last week, we started the first quarter of our outcomes.*



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# YEAR 5

## Mission to the Mosque!

Over the last week we have engaged with a plethora of different activities in Year 5!

We had such an interesting afternoon at Leeds Grand Mosque. We learnt so much about Islam, which we are studying as part of our RE topic, and even got to have a go at the prayer positions. We are grateful for such a wonderful welcome a special place of worship.

Anyone for tennis? We were introduced to rallying in PE this week: carefully returning the ball back and forth between partners!



As scientists, we looked at water resistance as part of our forces topic! We investigated how long it took different shaped objects to sink to the bottom of a measuring cylinder full of water.



# YEAR 6

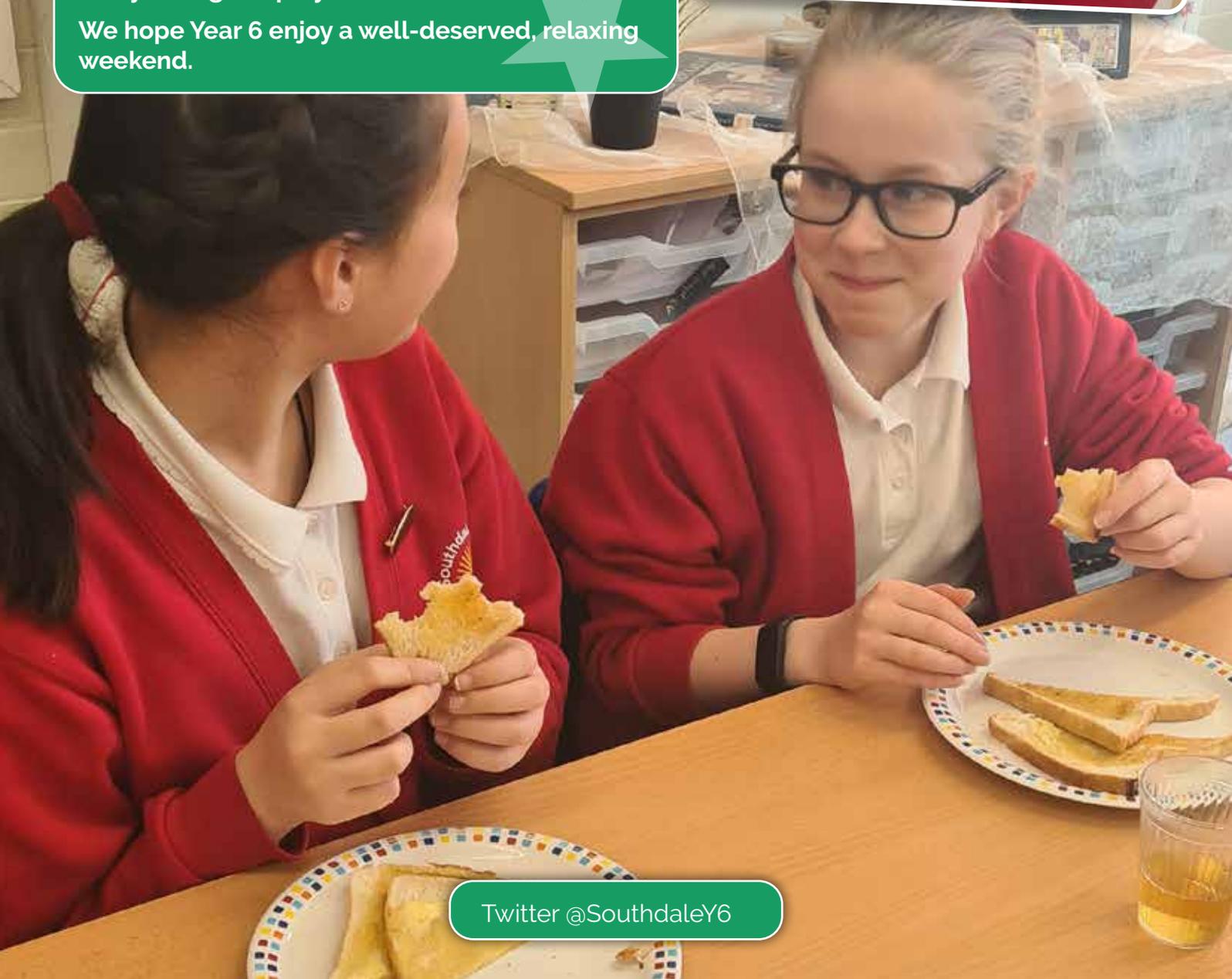
*In art, we are focusing on the detail of the human eye. Drawing on all the sketching techniques that we have learnt at Southdale, we applied these to our sketches and considered which ones we would need for certain effects. Keep your EYES peeled for more art work over the next few weeks.*

## Practise SATS week- well done!

It was great having Year 6 in this week for breakfast club. We are so proud of all the Year 6 children this week. They have absolutely smashed their assessments. They have really put in 100% effort and focused on improving themselves. Their mature and sensible attitude has really shone through.

Our swimming children are making an incredible amount of progress. They are perfecting their breast stroke. In our afternoon P.E lesson, the children continued to apply their hand eye coordination skills in tennis - we were lucky enough to play in the sun this week!

We hope Year 6 enjoy a well-deserved, relaxing weekend.



# THIS WEEK'S HOMEWORK

## Year 3

**Reading:** Please read with your child at home every day for at least 20 minutes.

**Maths:** Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app TT Rock Stars.

Children also have a weekly My Maths activity to complete

### Spelling pattern

Adding the suffix - **ed**

hunt            hunted

jump           jumped

lick            licked

buzz           buzzed

chant          chanted

pull            pulled

**Double the consonant** before adding -**ed**

chat    chatted

step    stepped

flip    flipped

slop    slopped

hum    hummed

## Year 4

**Reading:** Please read with your child at home every day for at least 20 minutes. All children will have received their Marine Iguana magazine to help them with their research.

**Maths:** Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app TT Rock Stars.

Children also have a weekly My Maths activity to complete

### Spelling pattern

Adding the suffix -**ian** to words ending in **c**

root word	root word + suffix - <b>ian</b>
magic <b>c</b>	magic <b>ian</b>
electric <b>c</b>	electric <b>ian</b>
music <b>c</b>	music <b>ian</b>
optic <b>c</b>	optic <b>ian</b>

# THIS WEEK'S HOMEWORK

## Year 5

**Reading:** This is so important! Please continue to read with your child at home and ensure that they are reading for at least 20 minutes a day. We can really see the difference this is making for our children who are reading daily!

**Maths:** Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app TT Rock Stars. This week, we have been learning our 6 times tables.

Children also have a weekly My Maths activity to complete

### Spelling pattern

'French' word sounds 'que' (c) and 'gue' (g):

Antique

Cheque

Unique

Dialogue

Grotesque

Tongue

Catalogue

Colleague

Fatigue

League

## Year 6

**Reading:** This is so important! Please continue to read with your child at home and ensure that they are reading for at least 20 minutes a day. We can really see the difference this is making for our children who are reading daily! We have plenty of fiction and non-fiction books linked to our narrative. Please remember to fill in your bookmarks each time you read.

**Maths:** Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app TT Rock Stars and complete their weekly maths homework

### Spelling pattern

Continue to practise the Year 3 /4 and Year 5/6 words.

# THIS WEEK'S SPARKLERS

## Special Mentions

3LS	Faye B	For selflessly giving your time to help others.
3RG	Lilly F	For your fantastic attitude towards your learning. You are giving 100% and working so well with your learning partner. Well done.
3SG	Harper W	For always putting great effort and practice into all of your work. Your confidence is growing and it is a pleasure to see.
4AM	Edward	For always being a quiet, kind and conscientious member of 4AM.
4EB	Lacey L	For always striving for your best work every time.
4LH	Hannah B	For having an incredible attitude to learning. You certainly put lots of effort into everything you do!
5BR	Ava H	You are an excellent role model to the rest of year 5. Keep shining and working as hard as always!
5FD	Harry S	Your attitude towards learning and growth mindset have really improved. You can really see this in your writing this week. Keep up the amazing effort Harry!
5MF	Vinnie G	For putting in a sterling effort in writing and nailing your punctuation!
6CS	Connor P	For enthusiasm and keenness when conducting your own research into our next narrative.
6EZ	Bailey T	You have shown a sensible and mature attitude towards your work and given your assessment 110% effort. Well done!
6ZR	Kacey L	For your continued effort, especially in your assessments this week. You always work so hard and take responsibility for your learning.

# KEY DATES 2021-22

## Upcoming events

<b>29 March</b>	Y4 Yorkshire Wildlife Park
<b>10, 11 &amp; 12 May</b>	Y3 Danelaw Stoneage
<b>7 &amp; 8 June</b>	Y3 Little Deer Wood
<b>15-17 June &amp; 22-24 June</b>	Y6 London trip
<b>11 - 13 July</b>	Y4 Robinwood
<b>18 - 20 July</b>	Y5 Whitby
<b>21 July</b>	Y6 Prom Dimple Well Lodge Hotel

## Autumn Term 2021

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

## Spring Term 2022

<b>Tuesday 4 January</b>	School opens
<b>Friday 14 January</b>	INSET DAY
<b>Friday 18 February</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Monday 28 February</b>	School opens
<b>Friday 8 April</b>	School closes for Easter Holidays

## Summer Term 2022

<b>Monday 25 April</b>	School opens
<b>Monday 2 May</b>	BANK HOLIDAY
<b>Friday 27 May</b>	School closes for half term
<b>Monday 6 June</b>	School opens
<b>Friday 22 July</b>	School closes for Summer Holidays
<b>Monday 25 July &amp; Tuesday 26 July</b>	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



**Southdale**

C of E Junior school

*Shining like stars in the universe*