

Southdale SPARKLE

What a family; What a team!



We could not be more proud of our Southdale family this week!

Our running events started on Sunday. We had a great team of staff who all completed the Wakefield 10K. The sun was shining and our supporters cheered us on all the way. They certainly gave us all the encouragement we needed to keep on going! It was a fabulous event and we were pleased that some of our children also ran the Wakefield Hospice 1K on Sunday – well done to everyone who ran!

YEARS 3&4 - 1 kilometre



Following this, we had our whole school 1K event on Monday morning. Every child participated and completed the one kilometre route. In true Southdale style, there were plenty of words of encouragement. It was fantastic to see children who were proud of their own and other's achievements!



YEARS 5&6 - 1 kilometre



We are still counting money that is coming in, so we will announce this next week. We are absolutely blown away by your generous donations! Thank you so much! We are looking forward to handing the money over to Wakefield Hospice on Monday morning and learning more about the difference it will make.

We really do have a wonderful Southdale family!

YEAR 3

Super Sketching!

In English, we have finished our narrative recount of 'The Story of Galapagos', and after working with a partner to edit and improve our draft, we are beginning to publish.

In art, we have completed our replica scales and are now focusing on sketching the head of a marine iguana. We have looked in detail at the shape of the eyes, mouth, nose and spines and have started to add the detail of the scaly skin.

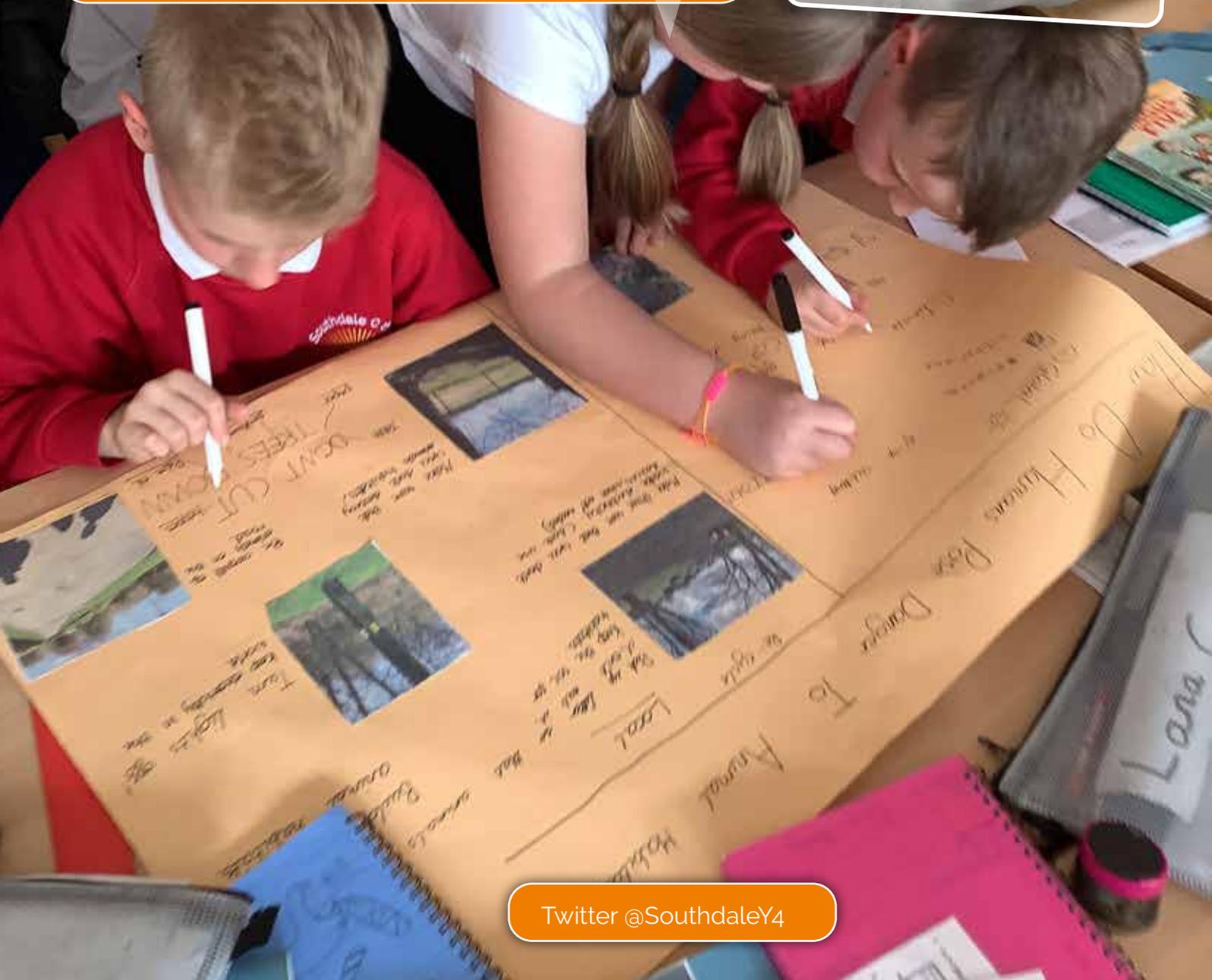
In PE this week, we have enjoyed tennis in the sunshine and have been focusing once again on positioning our bodies to receive the ball, hitting the ball when it is falling to the ground and getting our timing correct.



YEAR 4

How do humans pose danger to animal habitats?

This week, we have been researching and learning about how humans affect the animal habitats globally, and in our local area. After recently visiting Spring Mill, we were shocked to discover just how our actions affect the creatures that live amongst us. We are currently exploring all the different ways we can address these problems. Keep a look out next week for ways in which we can help improve this terrible situation.



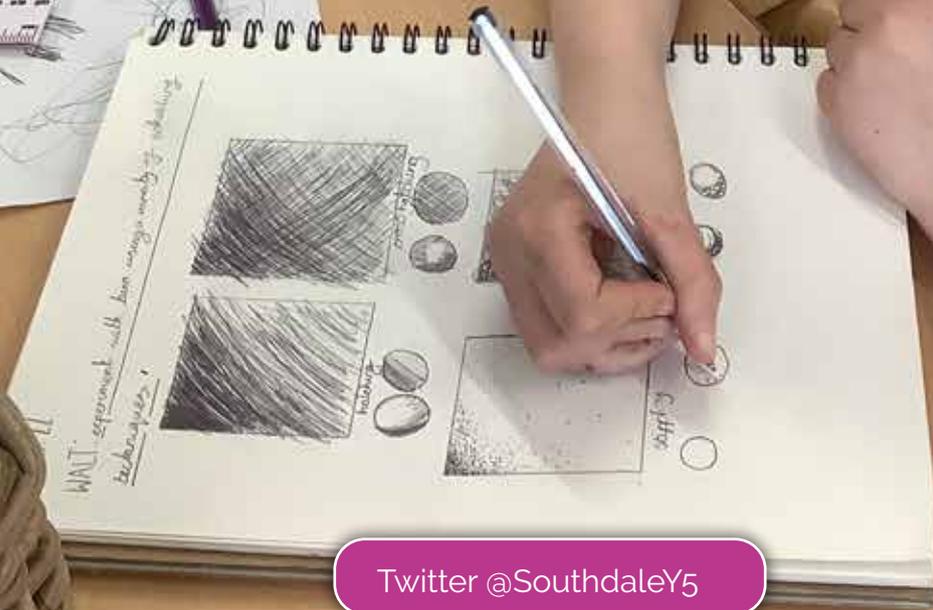
YEAR 5

Biro Sketching!

In writing this week, we have been starting to annotate and plan a biography of Harriet Tubman. We cannot wait to start writing this incredible woman's biography and cannot wait to retell her amazing story.

Our use of biro pens in art is really starting to improve. We have been incorporating our new biro sketching techniques to sketch 3D shapes. We are excited to start combining all of our skills to sketch faces in biro, inspired by Mark Powell.

In PE this week, we have been practicing our backhand technique and applying them to some rallies! In gymnastics, we have used the rolls, balances and jumps that we have been practicing in previous weeks, to create routines across all of the apparatus.



YEAR 6

Team work makes dream work !

This week we have been learning a new maths topic: ratio and proportion. The whole of year 6 really got to grips with this tricky maths concept and even had a go at applying their knowledge to solve problems.

In English, the children have focused on carefully selecting vocabulary to create their Alma narrative. With the help of a supportive peer, they have edited their work to make their writing even more mysterious and spooky.

The children have received feedback on their most recent assessment and I am sure they are all so proud of their progress and feel ready to tackle SATS!

As part of our science topic, the pupils have been working in teams to gather research about fossils and we look forward to them presenting what they have discovered.



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. Please also remember that your child has a weekly 'My Maths' homework task 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.

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 -ian
magic c	magic ian
electric c	electric ian
music c	music ian
optic c	optic ian

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

Head Teachers Award



Cora (5FD)

For being a ray of sunshine and an excellent role-model!
You are an absolute star!

Special Mentions

3LS	Harry S	For taking the time to focus on your presentation and really caring about the quality of work you produce.
3RG	Jake N	For putting extra effort into your handwriting and presentation this week. Keep it up!
3SG	Thomas S	For your outstanding tennis skills. You have really listened to our coach and used all of the techniques to be a successful learner so that you have great control when using a racket. Well done.
4AM	Eliza	For working hard this week to rehearse your sentences in English before writing them. It's made all the difference!
4EB	Anya H	For showing amazing progress with your presentation and your attitude towards spelling.
4LH	Alexis B	For writing a super auto-biography. You have certainly put a lot of time and effort into producing an accurate piece of work. Well done!
5BR	Sophie H	You have settled into 5BR really well and are working really hard. You fit into our Southdale family so well! Keep it up!
5FD	Charlie M	For working hard to improve your tennis skills, including your backhand technique. Well done Charlie!
5MF	Elizabeth R	For always bringing a positive and cheery attitude to your learning.
6CS	Connor P	For a wonderful imaginative prediction when analysing Treasure Island.
6EZ	Elijah	For being a fantastic role model and always putting time and effort into your work. Well done!
6ZR	Kayden R	For the incredible journey that you are continuing to go on – we are all super proud of your efforts and attitude!

Chef of the week

Leon S (4LH) for putting so much effort into cooking and for using the information learning tools around the cooking room.

KEY DATES 2021-22

Upcoming events

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

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	School opens
Friday 14 January	INSET DAY
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



Southdale

C of E Junior school

Shining like stars in the universe