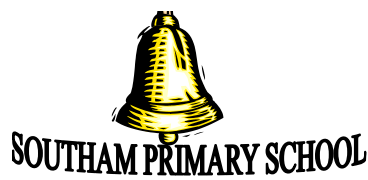


Friday 18th September 2020



Where Getting Better Never Stops

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have had another great week. The children are getting used to their new classes and new routines, however many are still struggling with the length of the school day at the moment, which is understandable in light of the length of time the children have not had a structured school day. We have had a few children fall/ almost fall asleep in the afternoons. To help support your child, The National Sleep Foundation recommends that school-age children get from 9 to 11 hours of sleep each night.

Pebble Pathway

Our children have taken part in another project which has brought our school community together; they have created a pebble pathway at the front of the school. The pathway is making a lot of people smile as they walk down the path to school!



Huge thank you to Mrs Taylor for organising this project.

Contingency Planning for a Positive Covid Test Result

I am hoping that this does not happen, however I am putting in plans should a child or member of staff receive a positive Covid test. I am sharing these with you, so that you are clear of the procedures and expectations and are able to put together your own contingency plans.

Should a member of staff/ child receive a positive Covid test I will contact everyone in that bubble and will close that bubble. If I am notified of the result during out of school hours the bubble will close from the next day i.e. if I receive a message late on Tuesday evening, the bubble will be closed from Wednesday. If I receive the message during the school, children in that bubble will remain in school for the rest of

the day and then the bubble will close, so children in that bubble will not come to school on the following day.

It is really important that you contact me immediately should your child receive a positive Covid test result. During school hours please call 01926 812520. Out of school hours please email Emma.Longworth@stowevalley.com

Children in the bubble that has been closed will need to self-isolate for 14 days.

Once I have carried out the initial closure of the bubble, I will be working with Public Health England to work out if any children in that bubble do not need to self-isolate and can return to school. These will be children who would have had limited contact with the child/ adult who had the positive test result and have been at least two metres away for the child/ adult. We have seating plans for all groups of children for this purpose.

I will contact families on an individual basis should their child be able to return to school.

We are currently finalising our plans for work children will be set whilst they are self-isolating because a member of their household has Covid symptoms and also work for a bubble, should the whole bubble be self-isolating. Once these have been finalised, I will share these plans with you.

I have set up a page on class website where you can find all the information that I have been posting about Covid <https://www.southamprimary.com/parents/coronavirus-support>

Autumn 2 Before and After School Club

As the Covid guidance has not been updated since I first put arrangements in place to run the before and after school clubs, these arrangements will continue for next half term. Before school club will run from 7.30am until the start of the school day
After school club will run from the end of the school day until 6pm

Due to social distancing and maintaining 'bubbles' in school the number of children attending club will be limited to 30 children per session. Children attending the sessions will remain in these bubbles, they will not be able to play with children who are in a different bubble.

We will not be able to take emergency bookings on the day, as we previously been able to.

The club is open to all year groups.

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I will be uploading a booking form on Class Dojo and our school website, in the letters section on Sunday afternoon, which you will be able to complete and return to sunnydaysclub@yahoo.com, giving details of your childcare requirements. You will receive a confirmation whether your child has a place of the requested days or whether they are on the waiting list.

I will confirm what time I will be uploading the form on Sunday morning.

Places will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Families will receive a confirmation message if they have been allocated a place for their child/ children by the Sunny Days team on Monday.

Any families that do not get a place will be placed on a waiting list and notified if/ when a place becomes available.

Flu Immunisations

We have been given the provisional date of Thursday 3rd December for the children to have their flu immunisations in school.

I will of course keep you updated should there be a change in this date.

School Uniform

I have a number of really good pieces of uniform in a variety of sizes that have been donated to the school. If you would like to take advantage and pick up some of these items, please let me know.

School Photographs

We have the school photographer booked on the 22nd September to come into school next week to take individual photographs of the children.

The photographer will be adhering to all our Covid regulations and will always be at least 2 metres away from children and staff.

If you have more than one child in school, your children be photographed together as they are in the same household. Children who do not live in the same household will not be photographed together.

Unfortunately, on this occasion we will not be able to accommodate families bringing non primary age children into school to have their photograph taken, this includes children attending Southam Pre School.

School Lunches The price of a child's school lunch is £2.30. Payment can be made via ParentPay or by cash or cheque – which should be made payable to Southam Primary School (WCC). Costs for this term/ year are:

Per lunch £2:30, per week: £11.50, year: £437
Autumn Half term 1 £85.10, Half term 2 £78.20, Autumn Term £163.30
Spring Half term 1 £66.70, Half term 2 £66.70, Spring Term £133.40
Summer Half term 1 £66.70, Half term 2 £73.60, Summer Term £140.30

As the children are having their lunches in the classroom, we are able to offer children a hot or cold deli bag option for lunch. The lunch menus can be found on our school website. <https://www.southamprimary.com/parents/lunch-menu>

2020- 2021 Academic Year

Autumn Term 2020

1st September - Staff training day
2nd September - Children return to school
23rd October- Staff training day, children not in school
26th- 30th October- Half Term
2nd November- Staff training day, children not in school
3rd November - Children return to school
3rd December Flu immunisations
18th December- Last day of term

Spring Term 2021

4th January- staff training day, children not in school
5th January- Children return to school
15th - 19th February- Half Term
1st April - Last day of term

Summer term 2021

19th April- Children return to school
4th May - Bank Holiday
31st May- 4th June- Half Term
7th June - staff training day, children not in school
8th June Children return to school
21st July- Last day of term

<https://www.southamprimary.com/parents/term-dates>

Have a lovely weekend.

Emma Longworth