

Friday 25th September 2020



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Dear Parents/ Carers,

This was a lovely email to receive this week!

Congratulations! [Southam Primary School](#) has earned a School Guide Certificate of Excellence.

As the UK's leading school website, trusted by 10,000 parents who visit School Guide every day, we know how hard it is to run a school with all the demands that the government and Ofsted place upon you, and never more so than in 2020 during the unprecedented challenges of the global pandemic and school closures.

Your **5-star certificate** is the result of your dedication to academic excellence and is a great way to show parents how much you have achieved in the last year.



Covid Risk Assessment Updates

As you will be aware from our risk assessment, we are extremely thorough in putting every precaution to keep our school community safe.

Following the Government's updates this week, and also the rising number of Covid cases in Warwickshire and Coventry, we will be asking **all visitors coming into school to wear a face covering.**

I appreciate that everyone is trying hard to social distance at drop off and collection times, however we have pinch points around the school site which make this very difficult. Taking account the number of positive Covid cases and the

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Government's updated guidance, to keep our whole community safe, **from Monday all adults on playground at drop off and collection times need to wear a face covering.**

If you are exempt from wearing a face covering, please could you let me know so that I am aware.

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A concern that I have had about this from some families, if we were to introduce the use of face coverings was whether staff will recognise the adults collecting children. If staff do not recognise you, please be reassured that they will keep your child with them until they do.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.



Autumn 2 Before and After School Club

Booking forms for the before and after school for after October half term are available from Class Dojo and our school website.

<https://www.southamprimary.com/parents/letter>

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.

October Half Term Play Scheme

The booking form for the before and after school the October half term play scheme are available from Class Dojo and our school website.

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Staff Training Dates

As you will be aware, we have two staff training days on either side of the half term week, on Friday 23rd October and Monday 2nd November.

We are unable to run a play scheme on either of these dates. Due to social distancing, space in school is required for staff to undertake their training.

I apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause, I have tried to find alternatives but have not been able to find an alternative way of delivering the training.

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 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

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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>

SOUTHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL
Open Evening
Thursday 22nd October 2020 4.00pm to 6.00pm

Do you have a child who is due to start school in September 2021?
Come and find out about all the exciting learning experiences we offer

“The school always ensures my child receives a great education and the support from the school staff is fantastic. The school offers a huge range of activities and learning experiences. Southam Primary School is wonderful and I recommend to anyone.”
Parent Quote

For further information please email: southamprimary@stowevalley.com or telephone: 01926 812520

Exciting Things Happen at Southam Primary School!
You are invited to our open evening to find out about the all the learning and extra curricular experiences that we offer children at Southam Primary School.
Appointments not necessary.
Face coverings should be worn whilst on the school
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Have a lovely weekend.

Emma Longworth