

## Key Dates for the Summer Term 2023

### April

- 17<sup>th</sup> Children return to school
- 17<sup>th</sup> All Stars and Dynamos cricket coaching- year 1, 2 and 3
- 20<sup>th</sup> All Stars and Dynamos cricket coaching- year 4, 5 and 6
- 21<sup>st</sup> FOSPS Discos

### May

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bank holiday
- 8<sup>th</sup> Bank holiday
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Year 6 SATs
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Class group photographs
- 29<sup>th</sup> May- 2<sup>nd</sup> June Half term

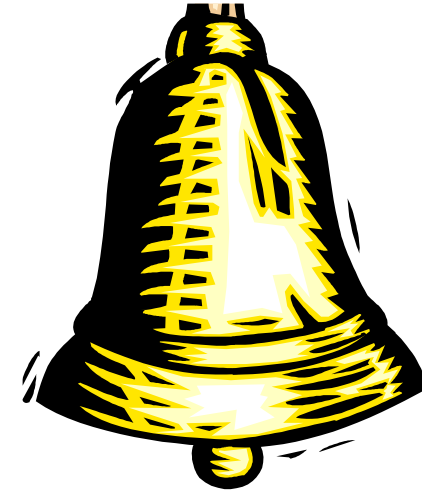
### June

- 5<sup>th</sup> Staff training day
- 6<sup>th</sup> Children return to school
- 6<sup>th</sup> Bike marking session
- 15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Road safety workshops
- 15<sup>th</sup> Year 5 Celebration afternoon with families
- 16<sup>th</sup> FOSPS Father's Day sale
- 24<sup>th</sup> FOSPS Summer Fair
- 27<sup>th</sup> Music Festival

### July

- 12<sup>th</sup> Warwickshire Sings concert at Warwick School
- 13<sup>th</sup> Parent teacher meetings to discuss end of year reports
- 25<sup>th</sup> Last day of term
- 25<sup>th</sup> Family picnic- 12pm- 1pm
- 25<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Final assembly – 10.30am

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



Southam Primary School

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Penguin Class

Summer Term 2023

Dear Families,

We have a very exciting term planned for the children. Our topic during this term is Castles and Dragons.

Through this topic the children will be taught about Castles and their relevance in history with a mini case study of Warwick Castle. The children will practise timeline ordering, compare the past to modern times and develop their mapping skills by looking at famous castles around the UK. In addition we will topically link our art works, DT projects and musical learning through activities such as modelling clay dragons, building a cart and learning about Tudor dance.

Our topics will support our English studies, which will include handwriting time throughout the week. We will be enjoying a range of narrative stories linked to the myth of St George and the dragon as well as researching non-fiction texts to find out about Castles.

In maths, we will focus on ensuring the children are fully confident in all the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division), applying their knowledge to problem solving and investigations. We will also cover units on different measures including capacity.

Throughout the term we will be sharing the children's work with you via Class Dojo. We will also be inviting families into school during the summer term – keep a look out for the date!

### **PE**

PE lessons will continue to be every **Monday** for this term; therefore, children should come to school wearing their PE kit, including their blue school jumper on this day.

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### **Spelling/Phonics**

These will be set on a Friday, for testing the following Friday. The lists will be put on Class Dojo as well as being sent home in the children's home spelling books.

### **Handwriting**

Children will be expected to have their handwriting neatly joined. We will be practising our handwriting regularly in class.

### **How You Can Help Your Child At Home**

#### **Maths**

Children will be expected to spend time every week learning their times tables. Those children with good times table knowledge have a definite advantage in different areas of maths too. We will share maths learning and tips with you on Class Dojo.

#### **Reading**

Ensure your child is reading five times a week for fifteen minutes and that this is logged on their Boom Reader account. Reading with your child and asking them questions about the texts that they are reading is extremely important to ensure a secure understanding of the text. Children need to read a variety of texts – newspapers, blogs, recipes, instructions etc, this will give them a broad range of texts and help them understand different language used.

#### **Handle with Care**

If your family is experiencing difficulties at home, we would like to provide additional support at school. We understand that you are not always able to share details and that is okay. If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning, or weekend, please send us or Miss Longworth a message stating 'Handle with Care' on Class Dojo. Nothing else will be said or asked. This will let us know that your child may need extra time, patience or help during the day.

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