



# SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Children's Mental Health Week:

This week across the school community, children have been engaging in our PSHE week which has focused on the importance of staying safe and recognising our own emotions as part of Children's Mental Health week. It is important that we all take positive steps for our own well-being. As a school we promote good mental health and well-being in the following ways:

- Give,
- Connect,
- Be active,
- Take Notice,
- Keep Learning.



Today I have been delighted to see so many children expressing themselves through their choice of clothing.

With this in mind, during today's Collective Worship, I have set children the challenge to engage in '40 Acts of Kindness', which focuses on giving to others. On Class Dojo, you will find the 40 activities that children can complete from Shrove Tuesday. You can also find a copy of the activities at the end of this newsletter.

I hope that after what has been a challenging half term you have some time to engage in the above activities.

I wish you and your families a safe and relaxing half term.

### Staying Safe Online:

This week we have also focused on the importance of reliable information as part of Safer Internet Day. The children discussed the importance of being detectives by asking trusted adults, experts and by searching different sources of information to check that what they have found is true. As a school we use the **SMART** approach when teaching children how to stay safe online.

*'You have to stay safe on the computer. Don't talk to strangers' (Elsie G, Y2)*

*'Don't share anything online that that can identify you to strangers' (Millie-Mai T, Y3)*

*'Good advice is to keep friends online to only online and not to meet up if you don't know them' (Max C, Y6)*

*'You should always check to make sure things are safe. You should not give out personal details' (Phoebe Y, Y6)*

*'Don't talk or chat online with people that you don't know' (Alan G, Y3)*

### Pupils Returning to School:

Again, this week, there have been a number of news reports regards all children to returning to school and the Government's plans.

At this time, it is my understanding that the DfE are exploring a range of possibilities. Once I have further information, I will of course inform you.

## Numbots:



Congratulations to the following children who this week earned the most amount of coins in their year groups:

**EYFS:** Isabelle P (6,507 coins)      **Year 1:** Antonia T (8,131 coins)      **Year 2:** Jack K (29,744 coins)

Each of these children will receive a certificate after half term for their achievement.

A special mention also goes to **Savannah M (Y2)** who earned the second highest number of coins this week (21,852). Congratulations also to **Year 1** who had the greatest number of children log on this week!

## Times Tables Rock Stars:



We are mid-way in the current battle. There are still lots of points to be earned for each of the teams. If your child is in Key Stage 2, please encourage them to log on as part of their daily tasks. The current results are below:

### Air v Water:

**Air** are currently leading with 11,652 points (v 7,487 points earned so far by Water)

### Fire v Earth:

**Earth** are currently ahead with an impressive 12,474 points (v 1,294 points earned so far by Fire)

There is still everything to play for and it could all change over the coming week! The results from this challenge will be announced in the newsletter on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

## Remote Learning Questionnaire/Live Class Sessions:

Thank you to those of you that completed the Remote Learning Questionnaire. It was lovely to read so many positive comments regards our current provision. In reviewing your comments, we will be running live remote meetings for those children who are accessing remote education. During the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> February, pupils in KS2 will be invited to attend these sessions. Then from 1<sup>st</sup> March, pupils in EYFS and KS1 will be invited to attend live remote meetings.

Earlier today, parents and carers of pupils in Key Stage 2 received a letter stating the purpose and the expectations of the sessions.

Parents and carers in Key Stage 1 will receive their child's Google Classroom account information as well as information on how to access Google Meet by Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

## Reading:

This week, we completed our school text, **'The 100 Mile an Hour Dog'**. I hope that the children enjoyed reading the book. As with Slime, from today, children are invited to complete a book review. To complete the review, click on this link:

[The 100 Mile an Hour Dog - Online Book Review](#)

If your child enjoyed listening to this book, there are other books in the series by Jeremy Strong. This week's free audio and e-book from the Oak Academy is 'Cookie' by Konnie Huq.



Congratulations to **Poppy L** in Year 3 who this week reached the amazing milestone of becoming a **'Word Millionaire'**. In recognition of this significant achievement, Poppy will receive a £10 Amazon voucher to spend on books of her choice!

Over half term, pupils can continue to quiz on Accelerated Reader.

## Reporting of Positive COVID-19 Cases During Half Term:

As part of the school's responsibility to engage in Test and Trace, we are again asking all parents and carers whose children are currently attending school to inform us over the February half term if your child tests positive for COVID-19.

If your child tests positive for COVID 19 after developing symptoms within 48 hours of last attending school (Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday 14<sup>th</sup>) contact the school via the following email address: [covid@southbersted.co.uk](mailto:covid@southbersted.co.uk). Please refer to yesterday's letter [here](#) for further information.

## Next Half Term:

Below is a reminder of the learning during the next half term. Pupils will begin exploring their new BIG question. Please see below for a list of the BIG questions for Spring 2.

Year Group	BIG Question
EYFS	<i>How do living things change?</i>
Year 1	<i>If we had the opportunity to stop the Great Fire of London, should we?</i>
Year 2	<i>Where shall I build my castle?</i>
Year 3	<i>What is it like to live in Italy?</i>
Year 4	<i>For what will the Tudors be remembered for?</i>
Year 5	<i>Would we survive in an ancient civilisation? / Should we buy Fairtrade?</i>
Year 6	<i>Is it ever ok to break the rule of law?</i>

## Sporting Success:

In last week's Sussex Virtual Games, we came **24<sup>th</sup>** of all primary schools across the county. Finishing this high ensured we finished first amongst the Bognor Regis and Chichester primary schools' category. Thank you to everyone who participated in the challenges and posted scores.

We will post the results of this week's events on our Facebook page over the weekend.



## Letters Sent Home This Week:

Please find below a summary of letters sent home this week:

Date	To	Details
8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	ALL	Children's Mental Health Week/Safer Internet Day
8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y4/Y6	Live Class Meetings
9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Various	Free School Meals
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	ALL	Reporting positive COVID cases during half term
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	ALL	Letter from Sussex Police
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	ALL	Aspire Family Learning Courses (Maths/English/Phonics)
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y6	Feedback from Live Class Session
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Years 3-6	Live Class Meetings after half term

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## Red Book:

We are pleased to announce that the following children have been recognised for good work, effort, achievement and or demonstrating this half term's value of **HOPE** in action:



**Jaxon L (YR), Lily A (YR), Kacper S (Y1), Raife B (Y1), Louie T (Y2), Nathalie S (Y2)  
Caithen L (Y3), Hadley J (Y3), Isla J (Y3), Honey W (Y4), Aurelia W (Y4), Archie F (Y5),  
Lincoln R (Y5), Jake D (Y6), Annabella M-B (Y6)**

Please watch today's Collective Worship on Class Dojo for more information about why each child has been selected for the Red Book this week.