



SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

23rd April 2021

This week, it has been lovely to see the children returning to school with a smile and looking so smart. Throughout the week, pupils have begun exploring their half-termly BIG question, which was sent to you on your child's Knowledge Organiser before half term. Please support your child by discussing the key vocabulary and significant people and events.

Relationship and Sex Education:

This week, class teachers have led a number of parent and carer workshops in preparation of our whole school blocked unit of Relationship and Sex Education, which begins on Tuesday 4th May. A reminder that you can view the objectives and our approach to RSE by viewing the policy on our [website](#).

The policy also states which objectives parents can request that their child is withdrawn from. If this is the case, can you please contact Mr Goodwin no later than **Wednesday 28th April**.

Parent Teacher Consultations:

Thank you to all parents and carers that booked to attend Parent Teacher Consultations before the Easter holidays. As a parent, I recognise the frustrations at not being able to attend school for the Spring meetings. For those of you that were unable to attend, your child's class teacher will be in touch with you to discuss your child's learning.

St George's Day:

Today is St George's Day. St George is the Patron Saint of Scouting and Guiding as well as the Patron Saint of England.

The St George legend set a good example of faith, courage and perseverance for future generations. It has been wonderful to see children who are part of clubs such as Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Cadets wearing their respective uniform to school today.

Christian Value:

Our Christian Value for this half term is Reverence. Reverence is the proper human response to what is holy and sacred. It is related to awe and respect. This half term, we will be focusing on the importance of mutual respect, considering who and what we respect and why. This half term, our biblical reference comes from Luke 6:31.

'Do to others as you would have them do to you.'

In addition to this, Tim's Collective Worship will focus on the 10 Commandments.

Reading:

This week, pupils in Years 2 – 6 have completed their half termly Accelerated Reader assessments. Based on this, you may find that your child's ZPD has changed and therefore the type of book that they are accessing has changed.

Please continue to support your child's reading by encouraging them to read at home. You may recall me stating the importance of children reading for 20 minutes a day. Research shows that if a child reads for 20 minutes a day it exposes them to 1, 800,000 words and increases their academic opportunities.

You may recall that in January, I wrote to you regards the [7 Top Tips for reading at home](#). You can also use your child's [South Bersted Reading Bookmark](#) to ask age appropriate questions when your child is reading.

Outdoor Learning:

Yesterday, pupils in Year 1 enjoyed learning how to whittle, tie a figure of 8 knot and engaged in a pioneering challenge as part of our approach to Outdoor Learning.

'We got to make a little house for a special character, it was really fun!' (Joshua J, Y1)
'My favourite activity was whittling – I wanted to do it for longer! I enjoyed making a house for the character too' (Alisa G, Y1)



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 **REVERENCE** in action:



**Maisie M (YR), Matilda R (YR), Gerrard H (Y1), Lexie P (Y1), Paisley H (Y2),
Spencer W (Y2), Oskar D (Y3), Rosa B (Y3), Alice C (Y4), Edward W (Y4),
Roxy F (Y5), Amy G (Y5), Mailee J (Y6), Archie A (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.

Numbots:

The children who earned the most amount of coins in their year groups this week are:



EYFS: Anton B

Year 1: Hanna S

Year 2: Francesca W

Each of these children will receive a certificate for their achievement. Well done to all children who are logging on and completing the challenges regularly.

Times Tables Rock Stars:



The Girls v Boys battle which took place over the Easter holidays has ended.

The overall winners were the boys, who finished with 53,100 points. The girls finished in 2nd place with 27,030. The most valuable player for the Boys was **Alan K (Y6)** who earned his team an amazing **21,162** points.

For the Girls, **Maisie P (Y3)** was their star player with a very impressive **15,530** points. Both Maisie and Alan will receive a certificate for their achievement. Well done to all children who took part.

The next battle begins at 4.00pm today and will end at **7.00pm on Wednesday 5th May**:



Letters Sent Home This Week:

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

Date	To	Details
22 nd April	ALL	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Programme

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