



# SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

### Pupils' Mental Health Week:

Across the week, pupils have engaged in a range of activities exploring their BIG emotions. Pupils in EYFS and Key Stage 1 explored the texts Gilly the Giraffe and Binnie the Baboon.

Pupils have also painted stones and created their own 'Worry Butterflies' and 'Worry Spiders.' Year 2 pupils then went outside and threw their worries away!

*'I enjoyed painting the stones using different colours. If I have a worry, I can hold my stone.'* **Year 1**  
*'We went in the hall and there were tents and mindful colouring. We also painted stones with bright colours to scare our worries away. It made me feel calm'* **Year 2**  
*'We made self-care booklets. Then we were able to choose our activity from the booklet. I chose colouring, as it is something I like doing – the different colours make me feel calm, I could take my time and think of my happy place'* **Year 6**

### One Way System:

With the easing of COVID restrictions, we will no longer have our one-way system in place for the beginning and end of the school day from after half term. Please use both entrance and exits to the school.

### Sporting Achievements:

We are very pleased to share a success with you. **Abigail B** in Year 3 is a member of a local cheerleading group. They recently achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the International Cheerleading Competition and were awarded a trophy and medals. Well done Abigail!

*'I felt very proud of myself. I have been a member of the group since I was 4 years old but this was my first competition. I was really nervous but our coach told us to write all our worries down and give them to her so we didn't think about them'*



### Safer Internet Week:

Next week, our computing lead Mr Thorn will lead Collective Worship and pupils across the school will engage in a range of lessons to deepen their understanding on how to stay safe online. In addition to this, the children will be introduced to 'Internet Legend', the main character of Interland, an online game produced by Google.

The game covers 4 key aspects: how to keep secrets secure, how to be kind online, how to spot fake emails and news stories and what information is safe to share.

To engage the children further, we will be sending home puzzle kits with children in KS2 to build their own Internet Legend. The pack contains a QR code to scan, taking you to the Be Internet Awesome website. Once there, your child must answer a series of quiz questions correctly to unlock each instruction on how to build the model. It would be lovely to see some photos of your completed models via Class Dojo.

## COVID-19 Update:

Cases across the school remain in line with previous weeks. Currently, we have 6 confirmed positive cases across the school:

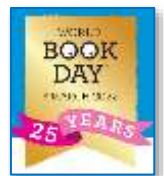
- 1 in Reception
- 1 in Year 2
- 1 in Year 3
- 2 in Year 4
- 1 in Year 6

The guidance has recently changed with regard to self-isolation and testing, therefore we recommend that you refer to the latest Government guidance, which can be accessed [here](#).

A reminder that children who are **not** displaying symptoms of COVID-19 should continue to attend school, even if a member of their household has tested positive. If your child has any symptoms (a new, continuous cough, a temperature and/or loss or change to taste or smell), you should book a PCR test and your child should remain at home until their test result has been received.

## World Book Day:

This year, World Book Day is on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022**. This year is also the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of World Book Day!



We would like to encourage all children to come into school dressed as their favourite book character. A letter will be sent out next week explaining more about this.

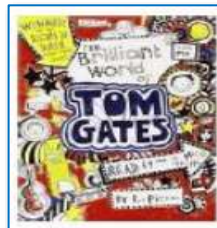
## Reading Recommendations:

Please find below this week's reading recommendations:

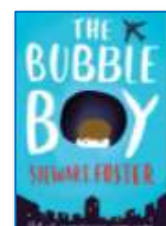
**Key Stage 1**



**Years 3 and 4**



**Years 5 and 6**



Next week, we look forward to our half termly book raffle. A reminder that pupils in EYFS and Key Stage 1 are rewarded a raffle ticket for reading 5 times at home over a week.

There is still time for children to enter next week's draw!

## Whole School Challenge:

For our Whole School Challenge, we have asked pupils to complete their own hopes on a cloud. I would like children to think about their hopes and dreams for the year ahead. They can be BIG or small – short term or long term, what is important is to think about what they want and how they will turn the hope into a reality!

Children should record their hopes on a cloud and bring them into school next week.

## Times Tables Rock Stars:

There are still 5 days remaining in the current battles. The current battle will finish on 17<sup>th</sup> February:

**Water v Air**  
**AND**  
**Fire v Earth**



## Numbots:



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

**Reception:** Fabian D    **Year 1:** Malachi H    **Year 2:** Antonia T

**Fabian, Malachi** and **Antonia** will all receive a certificate to recognise their achievement.

## Letters Sent Home This Week:

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

Date	To	Details
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 6	Leavers Hoodies
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 2	Trips and Visits – Spring Term

### Letters



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## Tesco Community Grant:



We are delighted to confirm that we have been awarded **£1500** in the Tesco Community Grant Scheme. This money will be used to improve our school vegetable garden. We look forward to sharing the progress of our new vegetable garden in due course. Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote for our project in stores over the last couple of months!

For more information about the Tesco Community Grant Scheme please use the link below:

<https://www.tescopl.com/sustainability/taking-action/community/community-grants/tesco-community-grants/>

## Red Book:

Each week, 2 pupils are entered into their Class Red Book for displaying the school's Christian Value and for going above and beyond in their learning. The pupils listed below have been recognised during our whole school Collective Worship today. Congratulations to:



**Polina G (YR), Ned H (YR), Jaxon L (Y1), Anton B (Y1), Skylar H (Y2), Raife B (Y2),  
Elsie D (Y3), Jack K (Y3), John-Joe P (Y4), Nathan S (Y4), Stanley M (Y5),  
Matthew P (Y5), Laila K (Y5), Roxy F (Y6), Alexa J (Y6)**

Please do speak to your child's class teacher for more information about why your child has been selected.