



SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

7th October 2022

Over the past two weeks, we have welcomed a number of visitors including Bognor Regis' Mayor, Cllr John Barrett and Paul Dickson from the Bognor Regis Foodbank. Paul spoke of the work that the Food Bank does within our locality and the importance of continued donations. During Collective Worship, we took inspiration from the Gospel of Mark and the Widow's Mites. We discussed the importance of giving what we can to help others. Two pupils from Year 5 wrote and shared the below prayer during Collective Worship:

Dear God,

Thank you for our Food Banks and all that you give us. Lord, we ask you to help the poor and never stop loving us. Thank you for your kindness. Thank you for those people who help others.

Amen.

As part of our Harvest service on **Friday 14th October** we encourage pupils to bring donations for the Bognor Regis Food Bank. A flyer is attached with information about preferred donation items. Parents are welcome to join us for the event which will take place at St Mary Magdalene Church, South Bersted beginning at 9.15am and concluding by 10.15am. Pupils across the school will be presenting on the theme of Harvest.

Home Learning:

Research shows the positive impact that homework can have on a child's progress. On average, pupils who regularly complete their homework make an additional 3 months progress across a school year. Each week, we set home learning linked to reading, spelling and mathematics. Encouraging your child to complete their home learning will have a positive impact on their progress.

Times Table Rock Star Hero:

Congratulations to **Riley U (Year 5)** who this week became a Rock Hero by answering his TTRS multiplication questions in under 1 second! He joins **Alan G (Year 5)** and **Maks S (Year 4)** to be the third child in the school to hit this milestone!

This week a new Times Table Rockstar battle commences for pupils in Key Stage 2 - please encourage your child to log in and compete:

Water v Earth and Fire v Air

Friends of South Bersted AGM:

Earlier this week, we held a Friends of South Bersted meeting to share our plans to relaunch the Friends and get back to fundraising and events. Thank you to all parents, carers and grandparents who were able to join the meeting, or who have since registered their interest in getting involved.



The Friends of South Bersted AGM will take place on **Monday 7th November at 2.15pm**. During this meeting we will be discussing event planning and appointing Committee members. Please do come along even if you are unsure about getting involved.

Meet and Greet Presentations:

All Meet and Greet presentations can now be viewed on each of the [Class Pages](#) on our website. If you have any questions regarding the content of the presentations, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Early Reading:

This week, a number of EYFS and Year 1 parents attended school to learn more about our new approach to teaching early reading. To learn more about our new scheme, Super Sonic Phonic Friends, please visit the school's [website](#) where you can view the presentations and progression documents.

To support your child in developing their fluency, pupils in EYFS and Year 1 are bringing home their phonics cards, which has the taught sounds and words for this week. If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to Miss Stanton or Mrs Gabb.

Mrs Randall:

At the end of this half term, we say a goodbye to Mrs Randall, who has been successful in being appointed to a post in a secondary school. Mrs Randall joined the school in December 2019 as a Teaching Assistant and during her time here has worked in Years 2, 3 and 4. Throughout this time, pupils have benefited from Mrs Randall's support both academically and pastorally.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Randall the greatest of success for her new adventures.



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. Congratulations to:



**Fabian D (Y1), Penny J (Y1), Georgia R-S (Y2), Jim H (Y2), Joshua J (Y3),
Evan C (Y3), Mollie S (Y3), Jacob P (Y4), Evie H (Y4), Xavier W (Y5),
Aleksander D (Y5), Jamie B (Y6), George C (Y6)**

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

Reading Recommendations:

Since the start of term, pupils across the Key Stage have completed **719** quizzes on Accelerated Reader. That means that just under 400 books have been read in the past two weeks. Congratulations to Year 6, who have read over **1,500,000** words in the first 5 weeks of the year!

Please find below this week's reading recommendations:

Key Stage 1



Years 3 and 4



Years 5 and 6



Numbots:



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

Year 1: Victoria D

Year 2: Theodore S-W

Victoria and **Theodore** will each receive a certificate to recognise their achievement.

INSET Day:

A reminder that there will be an INSET Day on **Friday 21st October** so school will be closed to pupils. School will re-open on Monday 31st October, after the half term break.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Applications:

A reminder that the application window for secondary transfers is open until **11.59pm on Monday 31st October**. **You must submit your child's application before the deadline.** Applying after the deadline can seriously impact which school your child is offered.

The quickest and easiest way to apply is online, more information is available [here](#).

Letters Sent Home This Week:

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

Date	To	Details
7 th Oct	ALL	Online Safety Newsletter
7 th Oct	Choir Club	Mayors Christmas Service (27 th November)
4 th Oct	Y6 x 10	Rowing Event

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Upcoming Events:

Please find below a summary of upcoming events for the next 2 weeks:

Date	Who	Details
Monday 10 th Oct	Year 6	Y6 Residential Parent Meeting (8.45am)
Monday 10 th Oct	Year 2	Outdoor Learning
Monday 10 th Oct	ALL	Anxiety Workshop for Parents (2.00pm)
Tuesday 11 th Oct	ALL	Individual Photographs
Tuesday 11 th Oct	Year 5	Visit to Chichester Planetarium
Tuesday 11 th Oct	Year 1	Toy Discovery Afternoon
Wednesday 12 th Oct	Year 6 x 10	Rowing Festival – The Arena (1.00 – 3.00pm)
Friday 14 th Oct	ALL	Harvest (Church) – children may bring donation for the Food Bank
Monday 17 th Oct	Year 1	Outdoor Learning
Monday 17 th Oct	ALL	Anxiety Workshop for Parents (2.00pm)
Tuesday 18 th Oct	Y6	National Child Measurement Programme
Wednesday 19 th Oct	n/a	Prospective New Parent Event
Wednesday 19 th Oct	KS2 x 12	Rowing Event at The Arena (details to follow)
Friday 21st Oct	ALL	INSET DAY – School Closed
24 – 28 Oct	ALL	HALF TERM

