



# SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

25<sup>th</sup> November 2022



To celebrate the Football World Cup, on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November**, pupils across the school will be engaging in a range of learning activities within their house teams. Pupils will be deepening their understanding of problem solving, locational knowledge and will participate in a range of sporting activities linked to the World Cup, which are underpinned by working as a team.

**On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, pupils can come to school dressed in sports clothes. This can be pupil's PE kits or a chosen football kit.**

### Welcome to Nikki Hull:

This week, we welcome Nikki Hull to South Bersted Church of England Primary School. Nikki is a member of the Dedicated School's Team (DST). Please read below to learn more about her and to see how she will work across the school and support our families.



*'My name is Nikki, I just wanted to quickly introduce myself and my role in supporting South Bersted Primary School and its families.'*

*I have worked for West Sussex for 3 years, during which time I have worked as a Family Support Assistant for Early Help. Before my time as a support worker, I worked as a qualified Nursery Nurse and Room Leader for a local Day Nursery. I have 15+ years' experience in supporting children and their families.'*

*My current role is as the South Bersted Primary School link worker with the Dedicated Schools Team. We aim to support schools to support its families by providing information, advice, and guidance to schools and to parents directly. If you have any worries or concerns, you are welcome to arrange a drop in to talk these through with myself.*

*Whether these worries are around behaviour, child wellbeing, difficulties with going to school, worries around finances or support around implementing boundaries and routines we can talk through these and offer information, advice, and guidance on where to get help and support. The aim is to ensure children and families are getting the right support at the earliest opportunity.'*

If you would like to arrange an opportunity to speak to Nikki, please speak to Mr Goodwin or Mrs Greateorex.

### Support for Families:

With the obvious challenges that many families are facing with the cost of living increase, I have attached a flyer from West Sussex County Council with advice and practical support linked to the cost of living.

I have also attached a flyer, 'Parenting through Challenging Times,' which is an online parenting course run by West Sussex County Council.

## Sporting Success:

This week, pupils in Years 5 and 6 competed against different schools across Felpham and Bognor Regis. On Monday, the boys football event took place in incredibly wet weather! Our team, accompanied by Mr Thorn, soldiered on and played well however the weather eventually forced us to abandon our matches. We are so proud of all the boys who took part and we look forward to revisiting The Arena in the near future.

*'It was my first time playing in a school football tournament and I was very nervous, but once I got used to the position I was playing I found it easier. Next time I will remember to use my team-mates more' (Frankie-James N-A, Year 6)*

On Tuesday, it was the turn of the girls who took part in the Girls Football event. Fortunately, the weather was a lot kinder to the girls and they played the full tournament, finishing 7th of 9 teams. This is a great achievement for the team as it was their first ever football tournament. We look forward to watching them go on to even bigger successes!

*'I have never played a football match before and I was nervous too, but I felt that we could win if we tried really hard. I know that with more practice we can do even better next time' (Ellie H, Year 6)*

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## PSHE:

Over the last 2 weeks, we have been completing our Anti-Bullying modules for PSHE. During this time children have explored emotions linked to bullying, how to react to bullying and the role of the bystander. Upper Key Stage 2 have also explored how discrimination and prejudice can lead to bullying.

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## Key Stage 2 Carol Service:

As we approach the end of the Autumn Term, there are a number of events to look forward to. It would be wonderful to have as many children as possible attending the Carol Service on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December**. At present, we only have 25% of Key Stage 2 pupils attending.

If you have not completed the Google Form related to this event, can you please complete this by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November (Years 3-6 only), using the link: [Key Stage 2 Carol Service - Response Form](#)

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## Attendance and Punctuality:

This year, we have seen a significant increase in holiday requests. Almost **25%** of all absences this year have been for holidays. Holidays are not seen as exceptional circumstances for absence; therefore, they are not authorised. A reminder that 10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence will result in a Fixed Penalty Notice.

For more information about attendance and Fixed Penalty Notices, please view the school's [Attendance Policy](#).

In the table below, please find a reminder of the impact of absence on hours of learning missed:

| ATTENDANCE DURING ONE SCHOOL YEAR | EQUATES TO DAYS ABSENT | WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 94%                               | 10 days                | 2 weeks                |
| 90%                               | 19 days                | 4 weeks                |
| 85%                               | 29 days                | 6 weeks                |
| 80%                               | 38 days                | 8 weeks                |
| 75%                               | 48 days                | 10 weeks               |
| 70%                               | 57 days                | 11.5 weeks             |
| 65%                               | 67 days                | 13.5 weeks             |

## Reading at South Bersted Primary:

Congratulations to the following children, who are currently leading the way in the number of words read in each year group.

|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| Year 1 | Ariana     |
| Year 2 | Theodore C |
| Year 3 | Joshua P   |
| Year 4 | Francesca  |
| Year 5 | Isla       |
| Year 6 | Poppy      |

## Reading Recommendations:

The reading recommendations for this week are:

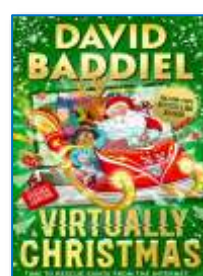
### Key Stage 1



### Years 3 and 4



### Years 5 and 6



## Times Tables Rock Stars and Numbots:

There has been a significant increase in the number of points being earned on Times Table Rock Stars over the past two weeks. Pupils that engage in just 10 minutes a day as part of their home learning are benefiting greatly from this as it is freeing up their working memory.

This half term, I set the children in Key Stage 2 the challenge of climbing higher in the local leader board. Today we celebrated that we have moved to an impressive 4.54 per question. Our target is to break the 4 second barrier by the end of term!

## Red Book:

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



**Logan C (YR), Maisie C (YR), Freddie G (Y1), Ned H (Y1), Theo T (Y2), Anton B (Y2), James D (Y3), Buddy S (Y3), Broly G (Y3), Elliott W (Y4), Julia S (Y4), Caithen L (Y5), David K (Y5), Xavier W (Y5), Lucy J (Y6), Bella L (Y6)**

Also, as we had a special remembrance service during Collective Worship on 11<sup>th</sup> November, the Red Book names for that week were announced on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November** – congratulations to the following children:



**Chester W (YR), Florence H (YR), Reggie B (Y1), Leo C (Y1), Victoria G (Y2), Theo C (Y2), Harrison E (Y3), James D (Y3), Antonia T (Y3), Ethan K (Y4), Tilly S (Y4), Lauren B (Y5), Riley U (Y5), Alice C (Y6), Frankie-James N-A (Y6)**

Please speak to your child's Class Teacher if you would like more information about why your child has been selected for the Red Book

## Numbots:



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

**Year 1:** Polina G

**Year 2:** Malachi H

**Polina** and **Malachi** will each 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   |
|----------------------|--------------|---|
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov | Reception    | Superhero Day (25 <sup>th</sup> November)             |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov | Year 6       | Evacuation Day (13 <sup>th</sup> December)            |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov | Years 3-6    | Key Stage 2 Carol Service (14 <sup>th</sup> December) |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov | Choir        | Mayors Service (27 <sup>th</sup> November)            |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Reception    | Christmas Performances                                |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Year 1 and 2 | Christmas Performances                                |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov | ALL          | Christmas Events                                      |
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## Upcoming Events:

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

| Date                               | Who        | Details                               |
|------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December    | Year 3     | Victorian Day                         |
| Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> November    | Years R-2  | Film Night (3.15 – 5.30pm)            |
| Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December   | Reception  | Christmas Performance (1 of 2) 2.15pm |
| Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December | Reception  | Christmas Performance (2 of 2) 9.15am |
| Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December  | Year 1 & 2 | Christmas Performance (1 of 2) 2.00pm |
| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December    | Year 1 & 2 | Christmas Performance (2 of 2) 9.15am |

