

SMUPS News

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Friday 26th April 2024

Hello from the Head

This week has absolutely flown by with a great buzz of learning around the school. One of the things that makes me most proud of our school is seeing the way the children welcome new pupils to the school and how the children extend the hand of friendship to one another.

Following their trip to the Honey Farm last week, children in reception have been busy learning about minibeasts. They have some caterpillars that they are looking after and will be watching the changes. They have made an awesome display of bees and writing about bees. Year Five are learning about the Mayan civilisation in their history. Next week, year four visit Dunster Castle as part of their history work.

Yesterday, we had a visit from our Local Authority Advisor and Andrew Finney from Ventrus MAT to look at the learning in school. They were both extremely impressed with the work the children were doing and the learning in all the classes. They were very complimentary about how enthusiastic the children were, how respectful, polite and well behaved they were and the work that staff have been doing on the curriculum. It is lovely to show visitors around the school and for them to see our wonderful children and staff showing the many brilliant things they do day in day out.

We did not have a celebration assembly today because of the disco and coffee morning, which is why there is no certificate page.

Have a lovely weekend.

Collective Worship

This half term our school value is Justice. On Monday we looked at the different meanings of this. On Thursday Michael talked to the children about St George.

Things to Remember

- Please do not park on the school site at normal pick up and drop off times. The safety of the children and pedestrians is paramount. Please park carefully and considerately on the roads near to the school and use the pedestrian path.
- We have cricket coaching on Fridays for this half term with Martin Brice from Devon Cricket Board. This is for years 2—6 (except year 5). Please make sure your child comes in to school on Fridays with their P.E. kit on.
 - Please ensure that break time snacks and lunchboxes are healthy and nutritious.
 - Year 6 leavers hoodies available to order on school gateway. Deadline Mon 6th May.

Dates for your diaries

Summer Term Dates 2024

Wednesday 1st May – Year Four Dunster Castle Trip

Thursday 2nd May – 1-2:30pm Year 4 Boys Football at SMCC

Wednesday 8th May – After School – KS2 Football Fixtures

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May KS2 SATS WEEK

Monday 13th May 2pm – 2:45pm Willow and Ash Class to Visit Eastleigh

Tuesday 21st May – 1-2:45pm Year 3 and 4 Cricket at SMCC

Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May—Half Term

Monday 3rd June – INSET DAY (Children not in school)

Week Beginning Monday 10th June – Year One PSC Week and Year Four MTC Week

Monday 10th June – 2pm – 2:45pm Beech and Oak to visit Eastleigh

Wednesday 12th June – Year 6 Enhanced Transition

Week Beginning Monday 17th June—KS1 SATS week

Tuesday 18th June – Year One trip to Rosemoor

Wednesday 19th June – Year 6 Transition Day – SMCC

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Thursday 27th June – Dogs Trust Workshops

Wednesday 3rd July – Summer Fayre

Thursday 4th July – Year 3 Trip to Exeter RAAM

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Monday 8th July – 2-2:45pm Holly and Pine to visit Eastleigh

Wednesday 10th July – Friday 12th July Year 6 Residential to London

Thursday 18th July – Acorns Trip to Westward Ho!

Friday 19th July—Last Day of Term