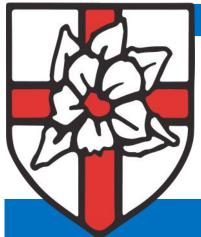
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# Summerfield School News

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

08<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Walk 10<sup>th</sup> July Year 4 Walk 11<sup>th</sup> July Summer Fete 11<sup>th</sup> July **End of Year Reports** 

14<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Park Visit

15<sup>th</sup> July Year 5/6 Production 10am (Ticket only)

16<sup>th</sup> July Year 5/6 Production 6pm (Ticket only)

17<sup>th</sup> July Year 5/6 Production 6pm (Ticket only)

17<sup>th</sup> July Squirrels Trip

18<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 Trip

18<sup>th</sup> July FOSS Frozen Friday

3:15pm by the Chickens

21<sup>st</sup> July Year 6 Beach Afternoon

22<sup>nd</sup> July Year 6 Leavers Assembly

10:30am Parents/Carers wel-

come

22<sup>nd</sup> July Squirrels Pool Party

22<sup>nd</sup> July END of Academic Year

School CLOSES at 3:15pm

23<sup>rd</sup> July INSET Day

School CLOSED to Pupils.

01<sup>st</sup> September **INSET Day** 

School CLOSED to Pupils.

02<sup>nd</sup> September School OPEN

Welcome Back!

Start of Autumn Term (1)

### **HEADTEACHER NEWS**

Dear Parents and Carers,

The weeks are ticking by now and we are nearing the end of another busy and brilliant year at Summerfield. There is still a lot to look forward to before schoooooool's out for Summer!

Your children's annual school reports will be sent home on Friday 11th July. Included in the envelope will be details of your child's new class and teacher for September. Each year, we take the opportunity to mix classes—this allows us to create balanced groups that reflect the many new children who join us throughout the year, and ensures an even mix of boys, girls, and a range of strengths and abilities. This is always done with great care and consideration and helps us give every child the best chance to thrive socially and academically. We also make sure they are with friends they have asked.

We are excited to welcome Mr Sam Mallard and Miss Freya Laverick to Summerfield from September. They will be joining us as teachers in KS1 and I know they will be a brilliant addition to our team.

I sent a link out yesterday for a Parent Survey.

We always want to know what you think - good or challenging - in order for us to celebrate and to improve.

It only takes about 2-3 minutes to complete and you can access it here: YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Have a great weekend and take care,

Ian Fraser-Kirkup (Executive Headteacher)



















# EYFS/KS1

Year 1 have had a brilliant term so far. We launched our Far, Far Away topic with a Pirates and Fairies Immersion Day, where the children worked hard to create their own pop-up toys in DT. Science Day was another highlight, with children exploring a wide range of hands-on experiments such as making rockets, paper aeroplanes and floating and sinking investigations across the school. Sports Day was a big hit with the children demonstrating their team spirit, determination and resilience during the races and carousel of activities

organised by our wonderful Year 6s.

In English, the children retold the story of Peter Pan with actions and have written a narrative. They have also been working on writing setting descriptions and developing their independent writing skills. The children have made great progress in Maths, focussing on place value within 100, position and direction and recognising coins and notes. Well done Year 1, we are really proud of you!



#### KS2 Lower

This year, our Year 3 cohort has had a rich and varied journey filled with a multitude of exciting experiences and learning opportunities. From stepping into the shoes of Scientists during hands-on investigations to unleashing their creativity as incredible artists, the children have truly embraced every moment. One memorable highlight was the laughter and discussion sparked by comparing their formidable teachers to the Miss Trunchbull – a fun and imaginative way to explore characterisation!

Academically, Year 3 has gone from strength to strength, with a noticeable improvement across subjects – especially in reading. The children's growing

confidence, comprehension, and love of literature have been a joy to witness. As a cohort, we are immensely proud of all they have achieved this year.

More importantly, our pupils have demonstrated admirable personal growth. They have shown resilience in the face of challenges, taken increasing responsibility for their own learning, and supported one another with kindness and care. It has been a privilege to watch them mature, learn, and thrive – and we are excited to see what they will go on to achieve next.

# KS2 Upper



Over the past couple of weeks Year 6 have been extremely busy. We have focused on DT and Science heavily with two trips out of school: one to view many of Milton Keynes' sculptures on the sculpture trail; and one to the hub - to view menus and gain inspiration for designing a ready meal. Not only did we design a brand and label, we cooked a pasta based meal with sides.

In regards to Science, we have had a blood filled good time! We have investigated the

heart - dissecting a real lamb's heart, studied the blood and it's components and found out what happens to our heart during exercise. To finish this project of work, we found out our own

blood type and made a 'blood' smoothie. Well done Year 6, you should be really proud of all your hard work.



#### **House Points**









### **CELEBRATION Zoom Assemblies**

Well done to all the children who were awarded in our Celebration Zoom Assemblies!

27.06.25



Beatrice, Cedric, Chetan, Daniel, Ephraim, Isabella, Iulia, Jagoda, Jo Jo, Olivia, Paisley, Shayla-Ann, Vlad, Zoha and Zoya

#### 04.07.25



Arthur, Bernice, Edi, Evelyn, Hazel, Jayden, Joel, Michelle, Nicole, Nikita, Noah, Saifan, Sonia, Walden, Zahra and Zechariah

## 100% Attendance...

Fantastic job to the following class who absolutely smashed their attendance with 100% this week. Awesome Stuff.

04.07.25

PENGUINS







# Sports Day...

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Sports Day which was held on Wednesday 25th June. It was a fantastic day and the children had so much fun and we hope the adults did too! Huge thanks goes to Miss Martin and Miss Reynolds for their organisational skills as well as to all the staff who helped their year groups and assisted with the smooth running of the event. Big thanks also to our Year 6 helpers who did a fantastic job with being event marshals.









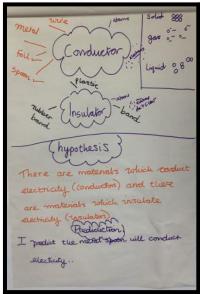




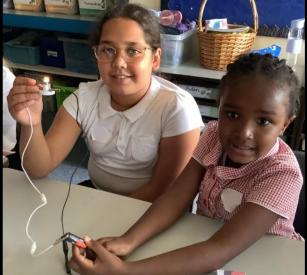
# Science Day...

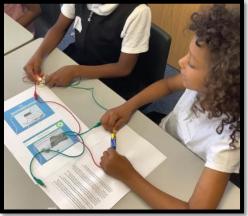
On Thursday 26th June, we held our Science Day. It was an exciting, hands-on event designed to spark curiosity, creativity, and a love of discovery in our pupils. Throughout the day, children rotated between engaging activities that explored key scientific concepts through fun experiments, challenges, and investigations. From launching rockets and making rainbows to building electric circuits, crafting paper planes, and creating flying straws, every session was designed to be interactive and inspiring. The event promoted teamwork, critical thinking, and problem-solving, while celebrating how science is all around us. It truly was a joyful celebration of enquiry, imagination, and learning!

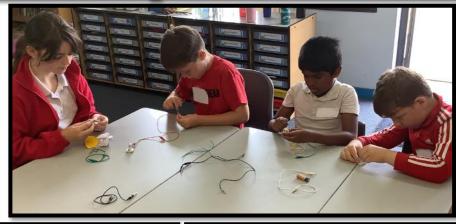














































# School Trips...

We have had a fantastic week with lots of excitement as several Year groups have had their end of year trips.

#### **YEAR 5 - PIZZA EXPRESS**

Year 5 visited Pizza Express with Eagles class attending on Tuesday 24th June and Owls class visiting on Tuesday 1st July.

Two very enjoyable mornings were had by both classes. Pizza Express very kindly show the children how to make their own cheesy pizza completely free. The children learned how to roll out their dough, add the tomato base and then add the cheesy pizza topping. Great fun was had by all, especially when it came to finding a spot in the city centre to enjoy their own hand-made delicious pizzas!





#### **YEAR 3 - 360 PLAY**

Ony Wednesday 2nd July Year 3 went to 360 Play and had an amazing time! The children loved exploring the play area and working together playing hide and seek, tag and many more games. We had many, many races down the slides. (teachers included!!) We balanced, climbed, swung, span and jumped our way through the day navigating all the obstacles all at the same time. A memory I am sure that will stay with the children for years to come! Thank You Year 3 for being superstars and representing Summerfield School with impeccable behaviour, super manners and kindness throughout. We are very proud teachers!







#### YEAR 2 - WHIPSNADE ZOO

Ony Thursday 3rd July, Year 2 went on an exciting trip to Whipsnade Zoo. Everyone was full of energy as we got on the bus, ready for a fun day of exploring and learning. When we arrived, the zoo staff greeted us and helped guide us around.

We saw so many amazing animals! The monkeys were swinging and playing, making everyone laugh. We watched the lions relaxing in the sun, and we saw tall giraffes close up, the funny penguins and big elephants. One of the highlights was the aquarium—many students said it was their favourite, especially being able to see all of the different fish.

We returned to school tired but happy. Thank you to the staff and parent volunteers who helped make this day so special! Well done Year 2 for being excellent representatives of Summerfield School!



## Summer Reading Challenge...

We are very excited that some Librarians from MK Libraries will be visiting the school for an assembly on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm. The Librarians will be talking to the children about the Summer Reading Challenge, which runs from Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 13th September 2025. It is completely free to take part, and children can either borrow books from our local libraries or access books online. This year's theme is Story Garden, which include books that are adventures in nature or the great outdoors.

Head to <u>www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk</u> to find out how you can support your child's reading at home, over the summer holidays.

THE READING AGENCY

**READING** Summer Reading Challenge

# Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a FREE, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

## Why Join?

- It's FREE! Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a lifelong love of reading
- Boosts confidence, creativity, and imagination
- Earn rewards, certificates, and prizes
- Fun for the whole family. Visit your local library together
- 95% of children said they read more after joining!
- Children choose their own books to read over the summer, collect rewards for each milestone they reach, and receive a certificate or medal when they complete the challenge.



Help your child start their reading adventure today!



#### FOSS Team...

Our wonderful FOSS Team are working very hard with the final preparations for their last event of the academic year, the exciting Summer Fete on Friday 11th July. Thank you so much for all your donations with the dress-down days and we hope you enjoy winning the prizes.

So far, the FOSS Team have raised around £1800 for our school and the children. This has gone towards; Books for Early Years from Father Christmas, Aprons for Year 1, Scooters and Wheeled Boards for OPAL, and Subsidised leavers hoodies for Year 6.

Of course these events wouldn't be possible without the help of volunteers. The FOSS Team would like to say a huge thank you to the parents/carers/families and staff who donate their time and help make these events possible and make sure they run smoothly—thank you. Together we are stronger.

Would you like to help out and be part of the FOSS Team? Have some great ideas for the next event? Please do get in touch with Laura Parker. There will be a coffee morning being held in September if you would like to come along, meet other parents/carers and hear all about the amazing contribution the FOSS Team make to our fantastic



## FOSS Frozen Friday...

FOSS Team will be selling Ice-creams/Lollies for £1 and drinks for 50p on:

Friday 4th July Friday 18th July

After School from 3:15pm by the Chickens!

(cash only please, thank you)







## Noticeboard...

Eligible children aged 8 - 11 (who receive free school meals), can come for a free Hazard Alley tour, games and painting activities. They will also receive a hot lunch.

We have 14 dates between 28<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and 21st August 2025, as well as a couple of dedicated SEND sessions.





#### **Back to School - School Uniform**