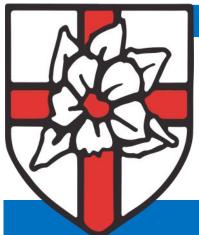
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Summerfield School News

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

21st October Year 6 Theatre Trip

1.30pm-2:30pm

Please wear sensible footwear

21st October Parents Evening

3:30pm—7:30pm Have you booked?

22nd October Year 4/5 STEM Trip

22nd October Parents Evening

3:30pm-5:30pm

23rd October Year 3 Walking Trip

24th October END of Autumn Term (1)

School closes at 3:10pm for

October Half-Term

27th Oct-31st Oct OCTOBER HALF-TERM

03rd November INSET Day

School CLOSED to Pupils

04th November School OPEN

School OPENS at 08:30am for

Autumn Term (2)

05th November Year 4 Immersion Day

Romans and Empresses

06th November Year 2

History In Action Visitor

06th November Year 4 Trip

14th November Children In Need

19th November School Photographs

Individual/Sibling

16th December Pantomime Trip Yrs 2-6

For those who have booked

19th December END of Autumn Term (2)

School closes at 3:15pm for End of Autumn Term Break

HEADTEACHER NEWS

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of this long half term, I want to take a moment to reflect on the importance of our school value of resilience. It's been a busy few weeks, and I've been so impressed by how our children (and the staff) continue to work hard, support each other, and keep a positive attitude towards their learning.

Next week, we're looking forward to welcoming families into school for Parents' Evening on Tuesday and Wednesday. This is a great opportunity to celebrate your child's progress and discuss their next steps together.

This week, Becky Daley and I have been focusing on our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) initiative, and it's been fantastic to see every child engaged in play, enjoying their lunchtimes safely, and making the most of the wide range of activities now available. The buzz around the site is a real highlight of the day!

Finally, a reminder about safeguarding expectations. There have been incidents at both schools where parents have been seen filming children during the school day. Please be aware that this is not permitted under our safeguarding policy. We must protect the privacy and safety of all pupils, so we ask that phones are not used to take photos or videos on school premises.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership.

Have a great weekend,

Tan Fraser-Kirkup (Executive Headteacher)

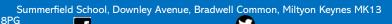














EYFS/KS1

Bees and Butterflies are settling into school so well and have been exploring a variety of different activities both inside and outdoors. We have really enjoyed getting to know the children and hearing about what interests them and cannot believe we are coming to the end of the first half term already! The children have learnt almost all Set 1 single letter sounds in Phonics and lots of children are now blending them together to read words too. So far, we have been lucky enough to enjoy our Monday P.E. sessions outside in the fresh air. They have listened and followed instructions

brilliantly, and they are now developing their throwing and catching skills. We have been learning all about sorting, matching, patterns and measure in Maths so far. In our topic sessions, we have discussed ourselves, our bodies, our senses and what makes us unique as well as learning about different homes, our families and our community. Every week they have explored different skills in Art, such as colour mixing and painting portraits. What a fantastic start to school Early Years, we are very proud of you all!



KS2 Lower

We are very proud of how the Year 4 children have settled into a routine and enjoying their first term back.

This term we have been learning how to write a biography about the life of a famous mountaineer, Sir Edmund Hillary (first person to reach to the top of the world's tallest mountain - Mount Everest). We then located Mount Everest on a map by learning how to use an atlas.

In Science our topic is about humans including animals and we have been busy carrying out experiments to understand how the digestive system works.

We also used eggshells to test the most harmful liquids that could cause tooth decay.

In DT this term, we have explored which foods a mountaineer would choose to be energetic and showed our understanding by making a healthy and balanced snack.





On Tuesday 14th October Year 5 and 6 were visited by Helen Westwood from the Money Charity. The children learnt important money skills such as understanding the cost of everyday items, understanding budgeting and learning that there are different ways to pay. Working in groups, the children planned and budgeted for a party. In other Year 5 news, we have started our Science topic of Forces with an "eggcellent" air resistance challenge. The children were tasked with

designing their own parachute that would safely bring their egg back down to Earth once launched from the top of the trim trail. The children were trying to design parachutes that would provide a good amount of air resistance whilst at the same time providing enough protection for the "eggstronaut" upon landing.

House Points







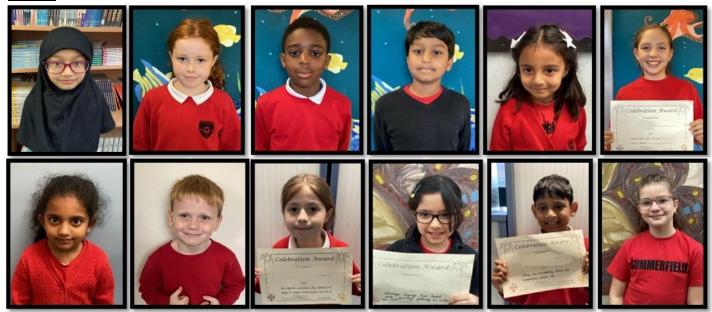


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CELEBRATION Zoom Assemblies

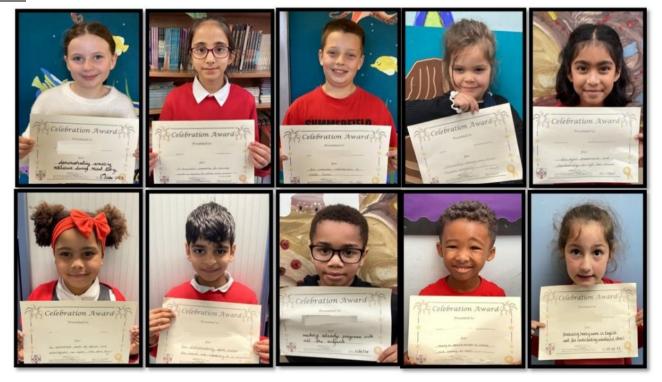
Well done to all the children who were awarded in our Celebration Zoom Assemblies!

10.10.25



Aliza, Elisha, Evie, Freddie, Ishaan, Iulia, Katie, Leah, Luqman, Manahal, Sahaja, Thea, Vlad, Zuni

17.10.25



Aarav, Abirahman, Abril, Amber, Carolina, Giulia, Ilana, Narumugai, Olivia, Santana, Tobey, Tom and Tyler

100% Attendance...

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

17.10.25







Giant Journeys Dinosaur Visit...

On Monday 29th September we had the fabulous Giant Journeys come and visit us with special guest appearance from Trixie the Velociraptor. The children in EYFS, Year 1, Year 2 and Squirrels all got to meet the wonderful guest visitor which caused lots of excitement.

The children all got a chance to be mini archaeologists and discover finding their own dinosaur fossils. It really was a fabulous experience for the children so we would like to say a huge thank you to the parent who won a voucher to have the visit and to our FOSS Team who made a contribution and extended the length of the visit. Thank you, it was roarsome!





Meet the School Council...

Our School Councillors have enjoyed getting together for meetings this half-term. They are currently busy preparing an assembly for the whole school for Remembrance Day.





School Council Aims:

- Our School Council wants every child to feel safe, happy and enjoy coming to Summerfield School.
- We want every child to feel confident to share their ideas and for them to be listened to.
- We want every child to have fun at school and encourage everyone to have a positive attitude towards learning.
- We want every child to be respectful and kind to each other.

Autumn Primary Science Quality Mark...





Valid 2025 - 2028

We are proud to announce that we are one of 310 schools that have been awarded the **Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM)** this month, a nationally recognised accreditation that celebrates a commitment to developing excellence in science leadership, curriculum design, teaching and learning.

Led by the University of Hertfordshire, for over a decade the Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM) has been setting children on a path to a life filled with exciting possibilities and opportunities, by giving them access to a strong foundation in quality primary science education. Over 5,800 Quality Marks have now been awarded, impacting on the learning of over 1,000,000 children.

Helen Sizer, PSQM Director said: 'By achieving The Primary Science Quality

Mark, a school has shown commitment to raising the profile and quality of science education through the development of effective science leadership, visionary curriculum design and excellent teaching practice which is positively impacting on children's learning across the school. Such success is only possible through the collective effort of the whole school community, and all those involved should be incredibly proud of this achievement and the positive difference this is making to children's

Parents Evenings...

TUESDAY 21st OCTOBER and WEDNESDAY 22nd OCTOBER:

Please make sure you have booked a slot to see your child's teacher. Booking CLOSES at 4:30pm on Friday 17th October.

Parents evenings are for you to find out how well your child is doing and settling into their new class.

It is a chance for you to ask any questions or raise concerns.

If you need help with booking, please speak to your child's teacher. Thank you.



SEND Coffee Afternoon...

On **Tuesday 4th November** we are inviting families to our Blue Sky Federation SEND Coffee Afternoon held here at Summerfield School.

We will be joined by Kate Addison (Pastoral Lead at Summerfield) and Emily Withington (Pastoral Lead at Heelands) who work closely with Kelly Wilson our SENCo.

There will be time to relax with a hot drink and chat with other parents.

It will also be an opportunity for you to give your input on how our SEND coffee afternoons could evolve in the future and what you as parents/carers would find useful.

Please follow the link below to confirm your attendance:

https://forms.office.com/e/7FMrpHy4vi

We look forward to seeing you on the 4th November.





FOSS Glow Party...



The FOSS Team are organising another spectacular event for our children.

Letters will be coming home today with further information. Tickets are only £3 each.

Deadline for purchasing tickets is 5th November.

Make sure you're quick before they all sell out.

Poppy Appeal...

Please do help support our Poppy Appeal raising funds for the Royal British Legion.

The Royal British Legion is at the heart of a national network that supports our Armed Forces community.

We're here through thick and thin — ensuring their unique contribution is never forgotten. We've been here since 1921 and we'll be here as long as they need us.

We are the country's largest Armed Forces charity, with 180,000 members, 110,000 volunteers and a network of partners and charities; helping us give support wherever and whenever it's needed.



You can find out more about the Royal British Legion and what they do here:

Royal British Legion—Who We Are



Chickens - Help Needed...



WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP WITH OUR CHICKENS?

We need help with looking after our Chickens over the OCTOBER HALF-TERM

Saturday 25th October — Sunday 2nd November

Jobs will include letting them out, putting them away, changing water and topping up food.

FULL TRAINING WILL BE GIVEN.

If you would like to volunteer to help, we will add you to our rota.

We are looking for volunteers to do 2/3 days.

Please contact the School Office (01908 662585) or email: office@summerfieldschool.org









Wraparound Care...

The Blue Sky Federation has combined its wrapround care provision to serve both Heelands and Summerfield children. It is called 'Blue Sky Wraparound Care' and it operates within Heelands School.

We also welcome children from Priory Common and Bradwell Village Schools.

This is run by members of our own staff with a designated Play Leader and three Play Workers.

Please email: wraparoundcare@tbsf.org.uk to book a place.



CARE CLUB RUNNING TIMES

BREAKFAST CLUB is open at 07:45am till 8:30am

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB is open at 3:10pm till 6:00pm

Session Rates for child care from 1st September 2025

BREAKFAST CLUB: £4.00 per session

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: £13.00 per full evening session (includes snack; collection must be by 6.00pm)

BOOKING: Please email: wraparoundcare@tbsf.org.uk to book a place for September or if you have any queries.

You can also call the number: 01908 316 306 if you would like to speak to someone about our new wraparound provision.

* From Tuesday 2 September 2025 we are combining the Heelands and Summerfield wraparound care to one site at Heelands school.

Wraparound childcare is care provided outside of standard school hours, typically before school starts in the morning and after it ends in the afternoon.

These services support working parents by offering a reliable and safe place for their children to stay, ensuring they are well-cared for while parents are at work.

The benefits of combining our wraparound care are:

- a significant reduction in costs to the combined schools; money which can be reinvested in our children.
- consistent delivery of wraparound care across all our Blue Sky children.
- the opportunity to enhance our wraparound care services and activities

Please refer to our <u>frequently asked questions</u> on our school website; if you have any further questions, please email: wraparoundcare@tbsf.org.uk or call 01908 316306.

Children Starting School in September 2026...

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST FOR ONE OF OUR OPEN VIEWING TOURS BY CLICKING HERE



OPEN VIEWING TOURS



Spaces available for all year groups. Accepting start of year and in-year admis-

The Best You Can Be - Everyone, Every Day



Attractive School
Grounds & Facilities

Varied & Exciting
Curriculum

Committed Staff Team
Strong Pastoral Care
Strong links with the Community

Viewing TOURS

(Please REGISTER YOUR INTEREST HERE to book your place)

Wednesday 12th NOVEMBER—2pm / Wednesday 10th DECEMBER—10am

We can arrange tours at other times too to meet your availability. Please contact the school office on the details below.

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