

Newsletter 28.3.24



Well, we've survived another Term. The children and staff are exhausted, but very much saving a little bit of their remaining energy for today's discos. I bet you're all looking forward to collecting your child at the end of their time slot! (Obviously, you'll all be walking, or parking responsibly in neighbouring streets to ensure the children leaving the building can cross the road safely.... of course you are, it goes without saying 😊)

Thank you so much for all of your support this term. We've had lots of positive feedback this term from parents, as well as volunteering time and books to the school, so thank you, we do appreciate it.

See you all back and refreshed on **Tuesday April 16th**.



South View Community Spirit

Some of our wonderful South View children decided to support Foodbanks recently, as part of earning their 'charities' badge at Brownies.

They spent one hour at Aldi, promoting Peterborough Foodbank, handing out shopping lists of items they're currently in need of and asking customers if they'd be able to buy one extra item on top of their food shop. They gave out a lot of balloons and stickers. **The donations they collected weighed 144kg, and was the equivalent of 340 meals.**

Best of all, they really enjoyed themselves and want to do more!

Well done kids!

Amazon Wishlist

If you are looking to support South View School, we would very much appreciate donations of very specific 'vehicle text' books for our reading lessons. Each year group has 6 texts (1 per term) which are read with their teacher, and we would love to own multiple copies of each. If you're feeling generous, we'd love your support! The books can be found here:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/14L8UUSA8V6A?ref=wl_share



After School Clubs

There will be no after school clubs first week back and new club choices will be sent out in the first week of Term 5.

Dogs

1. Just a reminder that dogs (no matter how cute I'm afraid) are **not** allowed on the school site. Please don't attempt to wrap puppies up in your coats to sneak them in, they're STILL not allowed, even if they're being carried – sorry dog lovers!
2. Whilst I appreciate this is more likely to be dog walkers during the day, please do not allow your dog to foul on the grass on the D-ring as we often have children playing or sitting on the grass at the end of the school day.



RESIDENTIAL VISIT TO CAYTHORPE 2024

Last year, due to the cost of living and strain on parent's budgets, we made the difficult decision to slim down our residential trips from two (one in year 4 and one in year 6) to one residential in year 5.



We are delighted to be offering our Current Year 4 children the chance to go to Caythorpe in November, once they've entered year 5.

Caythorpe is all about having fun while taking part in all sorts of adventurous activities designed to help your child learn and develop new skills and really shine as an individual, and as part of a team.

For many children this may be their first experience of staying away from home without you. PGL staff and school staff will be on hand throughout to encourage, reassure and help, so that your child returns home even more confident and independent with a real sense of achievement.

We have chosen to book with PGL because, not only do they offer excellent value, but they also have a reassuring 60 years of experience organising trips for schools. Their extremely high standards ensure that your child will be in safe hands at all times.

PE After Easter

PE will resume the first week back.

Year 6 Parents, please don't forget that **Year 6 are swimming on Wednesday 24th April** so if you need a swim hat, you can purchase one on your ParentMail account. Orders will close at 10am on Tuesday 23rd April.



School communication

Can we please remind parents that if you would like to contact a Teacher, to email the enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk email address, this will be responded to and forwarded to the member of staff. Teachers have 48 hours to respond to a call back request. Please remember, they are busy teaching your children!



Staff wellbeing is as important as our children's wellbeing.

Food Bank Appeal:

Crowland Community Larder would really appreciate a top-up for their supplies. Currently they are short of:

- Tuna and other tinned fish
- Tinned meat such as chicken in white sauce, mince and onions etc
- Cooking sauces
- Hot dog sausages.



Increases in Charges from September 2024

Due to the increase in staffing costs, resources and ingredients etc the following price increases will come into effect from September 2024



- Orchards Breakfast Club Childcare- £4
- Orchards After school Childcare - £11
- School Meals - £2.60
- After school Activity Clubs (not Elite) - £1.10

Year 6 Parents: Leaver's Presentation Baby Photos



Whilst it IS very early, we would like to begin collecting photographs of your Year 6 children as a baby/toddler, and a recent one, for our Leavers Presentation at the end of the year.

We ask that you send in a scanned/digital photo of your child as a baby or toddler (no unclothed/partially clothed/bath shots etc - for obvious reasons these won't be used!) and a second, more recent photo of them looking 'all grown up'.

Please send two photos to enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk clearly labelled *name1* and *name2* with the subject line 'Leavers Photos'

Please decide on which photos you submit **with your child**, or they may be suitably mortified resulting in you getting an early glimpse of the 'teenager' they are soon to become!

School Lunches



Year 2 parents, before long, your child will be entering Key Stage 2. This means that school hot meals will no longer be free UNLESS you are entitled to 'Benefit Related Free School Meals'. Therefore, if you would like your child to continue to benefit from free meals, please to go the following website to check your eligibility and apply! <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-pupil-support/apply-free-school-meals>

Changes to the length of the school day from September

ETA?



The government brought in some non-statutory guidance relating to the length of the school day last year (all schools have to deliver sessions for a minimum of 32.5 hours), but it has now become statutory for September.

As a result, we have had to tweak parts of the school day from September.

So...from September 2024, these will be the opening and closing times for each key stage:

Foundation Stage (Gates still open at 8:40) <u>Session 1</u> - 8.45am to 12:00 noon <u>Session 2</u> - 1:00pm to 3.00pm
Year 1 & Year 2 (Gates still open at 8:40) <u>Session 1</u> - 8.45am to 12.00noon <u>Session 2</u> - 1.00pm to 3.15pm
Year 3 – Year 6 (Gates still open at 8:40) <u>Session 1</u> - 8.45am to 12.00pm <u>Session 2</u> - 1.00 pm to 3.15pm

Children who arrive after 8:45am will need to sign in via the front office and this will be marked as late. However, judging by how many children are waiting and run in as soon as the gates are open, I don't anticipate this being a huge problem.

All Children are then at school for 32.5 hours per week, except EYFS for whom this doesn't apply (because of their age). This will not affect after school clubs or Orchards.

If you have any questions, please email these to enquiries@southview.lincs.sch.uk

Packed Lunch and Healthy Snack Reminders

We have made such an effort to improve the quality of our school meals this year so that the children enjoy their food, and it is the healthiest it can be. If your choice is to send your child into school with a packed lunch and a snack, we ask that you support our aim to have all children eating healthily by limiting items that constitute 'sweet treats' i.e. chocolate bars, family bags sizes of crisps, sweets, fruit winders etc. We do understand that the cost of living means we have all had to think more carefully about what we spend on groceries, so to help, the following website gives some great ideas:



<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

Parking

If you are a driver who DOES park responsibly or a parent who walks their child to school, we would like to say a huge thank you and we welcome your support reporting nuisance and illegal parking:

<https://www.sholland.gov.uk/article/18116/Nuisance-Parking-and-Abandoned-Vehicles>



In addition, if you park outside the electricity building next to the Staff Car Park Entrance, this reduces the visibility for cars leaving the site and effectively means we are turning left into potential oncoming traffic. DO NOT PARK HERE! (...and please note: parking on the pavement DOESN'T make it any less illegal, and it certainly doesn't make your car invisible)

I've also been asked by a parent to mention parents parking on the corner of Kemp Street to drop children off. Apparently, there have been a few 'near misses'. Please be careful.

Books for our Library



If you have any good quality reading books your child has finished with, we would be very grateful for them. Please can we ask you don't send in phonics specific books as we follow a very prescribed scheme so it would be unlikely we'd use them. Any donated books which can't be registered onto our reading scheme will be sold and money added to our school fund to spend on the children.

We've had some great books donated recently, so please keep them coming!

Supporting Safeguarding Concerns

If you do see anything of concern in relation to a child, we ask that you make a telephone referral to Social Care by calling 01522 782111. This can be done anonymously. If you have a genuine concern about an adult in the local community, please telephone the police.

Facebook Page

If you would like to join our closed Facebook group, please ensure you answer ALL membership questions.



All you have to do is go to your Facebook search bar, type in 'South View Community Primary School', click on THIS icon and answer ALL membership questions:

We now have **485** members in our group!



South View Community Primary School

Private group

Easter Competition Winners



Calendar of Events

15th April – Training Day

16th April – Children Back to School

19th April – Year 5 Trip to the Space Centre

24th April – Year 6 Start Swimming at Castle Sports (ParentMail with details sent previously)

2nd May – Year 1 Assembly

13th May – KS2 SATS week and SATS Breakfasts (Information to follow)

17th May – Year 3 Flag Fen Trip

23rd May – Year 3 Assembly

24th May – Last day of Term

3rd June – Children back to school

3rd June – Year 4 Multiplication Check Week 1

4th June – Year 2 Hamerton Trip

10th June – Multiplication Check Week 2

10th June – Phonics Screening Check

13th June – Father's Day Breakfasts

14th June – Father's Day Breakfasts and Father's Day Stalls

20th June – Year 1 Burghley Trip

21st June – Sports Day

24th June – Back-up Sports Day

25th June – New Intake for 2024/5 Evening (6pm)

27th June – EYFS Assembly

2nd July – Year 6 Leavers day out at Wicksteed Park

3rd July – Jump Up Day

4th July – Foundation stage Home Visits begin

5th July - End of Year Reports out to parents

13th July – Saturday 6.30 till 9pm Leaver's Prom – Tickets now available

16th July – Years 6 Leavers Presentation and Production

- 5.30pm – *children arrive*
- 5.45pm – *Doors open for parents*
- 6:00 – 6:30pm – *Awards*
- *Interval*
- 6:45 – *Production*
- 8pm *finish*

19th July – End of Academic Year 2023-2024

Term Dates

Please note, sometimes Lincolnshire Terms Dates are NOT the same as those of Peterborough or Cambridgeshire.

	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
Term 1	Training Days Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September 2023 Begins Wednesday 6th September 2023 Ends Friday 20th October 2023	Training Days Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September 2024 Begins Wednesday 4th September 2024 Ends Friday 18th October 2024	Training Day Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd September 2025 Begins Thursday 4th September 2025 Ends Thursday 23rd October 2025
Term 2	Begins Tuesday 31st October 2023 Ends Wednesday 20th December 2023	Begins Tuesday 29th October 2024 Ends Thursday 19th December 2024	Begins Monday 3rd November 2025 Ends Friday 19th December 2025
Term 3	Training Day Tuesday 2nd January 2024 Begins Wednesday 3rd January 2024 Ends Friday 9th February 2024	Training Day Friday 3rd January 2025 Begins Monday 6th January 2025 Ends Friday 14th February 2025	Training Day Monday 5th January 2026 Begins Tuesday 6th January 2026 Ends Friday 13th February 2026
Term 4	Begins Monday 19th February 2024 Ends Thursday 28th March 2024	Begins Monday 24th February 2025 Ends Friday 4th April 2025	Begins Monday 23rd February 2026 Ends Thursday 2nd April 2026
Term 5	Training Day 15th April 2024 Begins Tuesday 16th April 2024 6th May 2024 - Bank Holiday Ends Friday 24th May 2024	Training Day Tuesday 22nd April 2025 Begins Wednesday 23rd April 2025 5th May 2025 - Bank Holiday Ends Friday 23rd May 2025	Training Day Monday 20th April 2026 Begins Tuesday 21st April 2026 4th May 2026 - Bank Holiday Ends Friday 22nd May 2026
Term 6	Begins Monday 3rd June 2024 Ends Friday 19th July 2024	Begins Monday 2nd June 2025 Ends Tuesday 22nd July 2025	Begins Monday 1st June 2026 Ends Friday 22nd July 2026
	Training Day - 1 day over year as twilight sessions	Training Day - 1 day over year as twilight sessions	Training Day - 1 day over year as twilight sessions

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Information and Signposting to support

Mental Health Padlet



Children: If you are worried about your child's mental health, and would like information or signposting to help, Miss Stanojevic has created a suite of resources for you to look through. We hope you find them helpful:

<https://padlet.com/zoestanojevic/f9n5vfk8qytx6c3b>

Adults: Likewise, if you are struggling with your own mental health or are just looking for someone to talk to, please see our new Mental Health for Parents/Carers padlet which has a wealth of local and national charities that you can tap into for support: <https://padlet.com/corrinemitcham/mentalhealthparents>

SEN Padlet

If you are worried about your child's additional needs and would like information or signposting to help, Mrs Mitcham and Mrs Henderson have created a suite of resources for you to look through. We hope you find them helpful: <https://padlet.com/corrinemitcham/SouthViewSENDSCO>

Safeguarding Padlet



If you are worried about your safeguarding and would like information or signposting to help, Miss Turner and Miss Creasey have created a suite of resources for you to look through. We hope you find them helpful.

If you do see anything of concern in relation to a child, we ask that you make a telephone referral to Social Care by calling 01522 782111. This can be done anonymously. If you have a genuine concern about an adult in the local community, please telephone the police.

<https://padlet.com/nikitacreasey/safeguarding-guide-for-parents-carers-z16tu0bjogxihihd>

Computing and Online Safety Padlet



<https://padlet.com/nikitacreasey/national-online-safety-guides-xre7bbiwsobjp2gp>

