

NEWSLETTER

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 Two are better off than one, because together they can work more effectively. If one of them falls down, the other can help him up



SOUTHMINSTER
C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

WELCOME

Well, we are nearly at the end of a very different half term. I would like to pay credit to our children who have adapted and managed in very different circumstances in the school, they are absolute stars. With Essex now at tier two I want to reassure you that, at this moment in time, nothing will change for schools. It will be business as usual.

Thank you to the parents who sent back the parent/ carers survey, the response was amazing. I will be able to share with you the outcomes after half term.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

We sent a letter out this week about our Harvest Festival—with a twist. Each class has been given a colour and we are really looking forward to making our food rainbow next week. Don't forget our dress down day on Friday, the children can come in wearing their class colour. This is a great opportunity to raise important funds for our amazing PTA so please send your donations with your child.

ANNOUNCING OUR NEW HEADBOY AND HEADGIRL, DEPUTY HEADBOY AND DEPUTY HEADGIRL

We are delighted to announce that our Headboy and Headgirl for this year are Bobby and Isabelle. Our Deputy Headboy and Deputy Headgirl are Thomas and Anais. Congratulations to you all and I look forward to working with you during the year.

Weekly attendance report
W/C 12th October 2020

Class	Percentage
Darwin - EYFS	95%
Nightingale - EYFS	93%
Newton – Year 1	99%
Hawking – Year 2/3	97%
Pankhurst – Year 3/4	91%
Scott – Year 4/5	92%
Churchill – year 6	91%

Whole School Attendance: 94%

ONLINE SAFETY

Please see some useful links regarding keeping your child safe on the internet and using apps:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

FRIDAY 16TH
OCTOBER 2020

HALF TERM

Don't forget that next Friday (23rd) is the last school day of this half term. Children return

END OF SCHOOL COLLECTION AFTER HALF TERM

We will be making slight changes to the collection of EYFS children with older siblings at the end of the school day. Please look out for the letter which will be sent by email early next week.

PARENTS' EVENING

This year parents' evening will be held remotely, via Microsoft Teams. You will be allocated a 10 minute time slot to discuss the academic progress of your child. Parents' evening will be held week commencing 9th November and will be held over 2 days.

PARKING

Whilst using the school car park can we ask that you respect the parents and children walking through to get to the Orchard Building. Also, a gentle reminder that the Orchard car park is for staff, taxis and disabled parking only during school hours.



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