

Southminster C of E Primary School's Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2023

Bible Quote of the Week

Jeremiah 51:15: The LORD made the earth by His power; He established the world by His wisdom and stretched out the heavens by His understanding.



The children have started their work in earnest this week, following a shorter first week to ease them into the new year. They are proud to be working in books and already have lovely work to share. It has been wonderful to see the Outdoor Learning starting with EYFS and Years 5 and 6.

EYFS

The Reception children have begun having lunch at school this week and have now started attending school for full days. I have been lucky enough to spend lunchtimes with the children and have been in class with them today singing songs and sharing stories. The children were also excited to show me their outside activities. We explored patterns using magnifying glasses and I balanced along the wiggly chalk lines that they drew.

KS1

Our Year 1 and 2 children have been developing and extending their number skills this week with work on Place Value. They used the correct vocabulary such as tens and ones and took part in concrete and pictorial activities to reinforce their learning. I had the chance to write two-digit numbers with a white board pen on the desks for the children so that they could use different apparatus to make the numbers.

KS2

In Key Stage Two, the excitement reached new heights for Years 5 and 6 as the children enthusiastically embraced the outdoors. The joy on their faces was evident as they embarked on a thrilling bug-hunting adventure, swaying gently in hammocks, den-building and exploring the intriguing world of animal skins and skulls. Their genuine curiosity and active participation have set a positive tone for the rest of the academic year, fostering a love for learning that extends far beyond the classroom walls.

The children in Years 3 and 4 have been showing their positive learning behaviours this week. In our Geography lessons this week, the children have been learning about Essex. They now know where it is, the surrounding counties, what food it's famous for and that nearly 2,000,000 people live here!



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Reminders



Parking

Please be mindful about parking when bringing your children to school and collecting them at home time. There are areas around the school which are designated as safe crossing places and these must be kept clear of cars. Thank you for your co-operation.

Enjoy your weekends. I shall look forward to seeing you all on Monday with those lovely smiles that I am fast getting used to!

Kind regards,

Mrs. Woods and all the staff at Southminster C of E Primary School