



South View News

September 2017

Note from the Headteacher

Well hello everyone!

Here at South View we've had an amazing start to the new academic year, even in the first week we had school trips and visitors! As ever, our pupils have been impeccably behaved during these trips which makes me incredibly proud.

We've got lots of exciting experiences planned for our pupils this term and the staff, senior team and governors are working hard on our plans to move South View forward. Please remember to give us your feedback on Parent View as this helps us enormously!

Mrs J M Tomlins, Headteacher.



Note from the Chair of Governors

I hope that all pupils, parents and staff have enjoyed the first month of the school year and have settled back into the school routine. Governors have been busy planning our work for the coming term and continuing to address points raised in the recent Ofsted report. We have worked with the Senior Leadership Team in drawing up this year's School Development Plan, and will be constantly monitoring the school's progress against the milestones contained in this document. A safeguarding audit has already taken place, and we are also focussing on marking and presentation in books this term.

I'm delighted that there has been such a good uptake of instrumental lessons this year – South View now has six visiting music teachers offering lessons on trumpet, trombone, flute, clarinet, violin, piano, drums and guitar. It is also good to see such a variety of after school clubs on offer to our children and I'd like to thank staff for running these clubs. I'd also like to thank the Friends of South View for all their hard work last year. If any parent would like to join the FOSV this year, I know that they would love to hear from you as they plan their fundraising activities for the coming year.

Governors will be present in school for October's parents' evenings, so please do come and talk to us with any comments or concerns.

Mr Paul Weston, Chair of the Governors



Note from Chair of FOSV

Last year, Friends of South View School raised a record amount of money which we intend to spend on installing an outdoor gym for the children to use. FOSV is a group of volunteer parents and teachers that host a variety of events. These are aimed to be fun for the children and to raise money for the school. Keep an eye out for our flyers and newsletters containing details of upcoming events and dates for your diaries! This year we are hoping to raise enough money to install an outdoor classroom so if you'd like to be involved in any way, please drop us an email to friendsofsouthview@hotmail.com or contact us via our Facebook page. Whether you want to join the committee and run an event, or just bake a cake for the summer fayre, all help is hugely appreciated!

Look forward to meeting you soon, Gina Padmore, FOSV Chair



Dates for your diary:

9th October – ‘Betty Bus’ in all day for years 5 and 6
12th October – Oaks Class Assembly
17th October – World Music Event in Hall for KS2 Children
17th October – Parent’s Evening 4:30 – 7
18th October – Harvest Festival (led by year 5 – details to follow)
18th October – Parent’s Evening 3:30 – 6
20th October – End of half term.

Harvest Festival

Year 5 will be leading this year’s Harvest Festival at Crowland Abbey. A ParentMail was sent out earlier this week asking parents to send in non-perishable food items which we will add to class hampers. The majority of the food items will be donated to the Agape Care Food Bank in Spalding. Agape Care Food-bank is social enterprise project of the Church. The vision is to serve the Community by providing emergency food for people in crisis in the Spalding and South Holland area. The project provides a minimum of three days non-perishable emergency food to local people in crisis. All food given out is donated by the local community. It works in partnership with front-line care professionals to identify people in need. The project works with local supermarkets and food factories to give fresh food that can’t be sold to give out to those in need.

Please bring in donations between **Thursday 12th and Tuesday 17th of October** so that the hampers can be created by each class ready to be collected.

Emergency First Aid at work and Paediatric First Aid Training

If any parents/childminders/childcare settings require Emergency First Aid at Work training (1 day) or Paediatric First Aid Training (2 day) please contact Mrs Tomlins to book place. Currently we have space for delegates on the Emergency First Aid at Work training sessions on Thursday 11th October 9-4:30 or Monday 30th October 9-4:30 (cost £75) and places on the 2 day Paediatric First Aid Course on 11th and 12th October 9-4:30 (cost £75).

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

Is your joint family income UNDER £16,190 per year? Are in receipt of any of the benefits listed below:

- *Income Support*
- *Income-based Jobseekers Allowance*
- *Income-related Employment and Support Allowance*
- *Support from NASS (National Asylum Support Service) under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999*
- *the guarantee element of State Pension Credit*
- *Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190*
- *Working Tax Credit run-on*
- *Universal Credit.*

If so, you are very likely to be eligible to apply for Free School Meals. As well as this giving you the opportunity to provide your child/children with a hot meal every day, every successful application mean that the school receive an extra **£1,320** to support your child. This funding (Pupil Premium) is used to employ high quality staff, subsidise trips and events, purchase resources to support learning and ensure all pupils make good progress.

If you are ELIGIBLE to apply for free school meals PLEASE apply, EVEN IF YOUR CHILD PREFERS A PACKED LUNCH.

Please contact the school office if you require further details.

Brass Tuition

Mrs Amey currently has vacancies for brass pupils. Lessons are available either individually or in a small group (subject to demand). If your child would like to play trumpet or trombone please contact the school office for prices. Instruments can be hired for the cost of £25/year which includes insurance.

Staff Update

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Gray has been appointed to the role of Key Stage 1 Leader in addition to her class teacher role. Mrs Gray brings a wealth of experience to the role both the senior team and governors are looking forward to working with her in her extended role at South View.

We are also delighted to be joined by 3 new midday supervisors, Mrs Fielding, Mrs Perna and Mrs Coley.

Congratulations to Mrs Atkinson in Foundation Stage who gave birth to a beautiful baby girl! She's made Mrs Speechley a very proud Auntie!

Birthday Parties

Did you know that you can hire our Community Room or Jackdaw Room in the Children's Centre for private functions? Feel free to contact the office for a quote if you would like to enquire about letting fees etc.

Raising Concerns

If at any point you feel it necessary to voice a concern about anything relating to your child, please make an appointment with your child's class teacher in the first instance. If you do not feel that the issue has resolved then the phase leaders are:

EYFS – Mrs Evans

KS1 – Mrs Gray

LKS2 – Miss Turner

UKS2 – Mrs Bell

Mrs Henderson (Deputy Headteacher) will be happy to have a further discussion with you but if you feel the issue remains unresolved then this will be referred to the head.

Shoe box appeal

This year we will be taking part in Operation Christmas Child! Mrs Hart has kindly offered to lead on this charitable project.

"Samaritan's Purse is a non-profit, Christian organisation providing church support and emergency relief and development assistance to suffering people around the world. Samaritan's Purse is meeting the physical needs of victims of war, famine, natural disaster, and disease with the aim of demonstrating God's love and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. The aid and assistance are given without regard to the race, creed, gender, religion, or ethnicity of the beneficiaries."

Watch this space for further details in November...

Replies and Deadlines

Please could we ask parents to make a note of 'hand in' deadlines for reply slips, payments etc. These dates are usually given so that we have enough time to calculate numbers of children for events and book relevant sized coaches, book their lunches, meet payment deadlines ourselves. Thank you.

Contact Detail updates

If your contact details have changed over the 6 week break, please pop into the school office to complete a new contact form. These are essential so that we have the right family members on record should your child need assistance or we have to send them home.

48 hour absence

If your child has been sick or is finding it difficult to stay off the loo please allow 48 hours before sending them back to school to prevent infections being passed on. Thank you.

Parent Evenings

Parent's evenings this term fall on 17th and 18th of October. Booking for consultation slots will be opening soon so please keep an eye out for the parent mail.

Breakfast club

Due to the popularity of our Breakfast Club we've had to move from the food room in the school building into the Jackdaw Room in the children's centre. Please contact the school office for more details if you need to make use of this provision.

TWITTER

South View Twitter now has **163** of you following us! We hope the quick notes we tweet are helping to improve communication with you. There is a twitter link on our school website homepage. Please download the app on your phones and follow us if you are able.

Music Lessons

If your child is beginning to receive music lessons from Lincolnshire Music Service (drums, violin or brass) but for any reason decide not to continue, the written notice required to finish lessons at the end of the Autumn Term is 20th November. To stop lessons at Easter written notice would need to be received by 5th March.

If any further children would like to take up an instrument please email the school office for details.

Parent Poetry Competition Reminder

Don't forget that entries are to be sent in to the front office, clearly labelled with your name and the name/class of your child by **Thursday October 12th** for our PARENT POETRY COMPETITION. First, Second and Third places will be judged by Ms Garland and Mrs Tomlins.

Our **PARENT POETRY COMPETITION** title for this half term is:

'My Children, My World'

Happy Writing!

	ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018		ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-2019
Term 1	Ends 20th October 2017	Term 1	Begins 4th September 2018 Ends 19th October 2018
Term 2	Begins 31st October 2017 Ends 19th December 2017	Term 2	Begins 30th October 2018 Ends 20th December 2018
Term 3	Begins 3rd January 2018 Ends 9th February 2018	Term 3	Begins 7th January 2019 Ends 15th February 2019
Term 4	Begins 19th February 2018 Ends 28th March 2018	Term 4	Begins 25th February 2019 Ends 5th April 2019
Term 5	Begins 16th April 2018 Ends 25th May 2018	Term 5	Begins 23rd April 2019 Ends 24th May 2019
Term 6	Begins 4th June 2018 Ends 20th July 2018	Term 6	Begins 3rd June 2019 Ends 19th July 2019
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