

Newsletter 26.4.24



So, it seems 'sweet-gate' has become a thing! 🙄 Those of you who know me, know that all decisions I make are for the benefit and wellbeing of your children. We have parents who monitor their children's sugar intake for weight and tooth decay reasons, and when others give their children sweets and cakes etc it can make it hard for them to keep on top of this. You'd be surprised at how regular bringing in sweets has become.

So, Mythbusters:

Will my child have their drink taken off them if they bring in juice?	Of course not. We'd just like you to think of alternatives to squash (which can be very high in sugar), like water or milk...or just sugar free squash if they REALLY won't drink water, but we certainly won't be 'confiscating', your children still need to be hydrated!
Will my child be allowed to eat what I give them for lunch?	Yes, but again we'd like to encourage you to think as carefully about the sugar content in their packed lunch as we do about the sugar content in a hot school meal. There is a big difference between a chocolate 'coated' biscuit (like a small KitKat) and a family sized bar of Dairy Milk! The only time we would remove an item is if it contained nuts (for allergy purposes) but we would always give you a call, try to find your child an alternative, and send it home with them.
Why can't I send in sweets for my child's birthday?	In terms of sugar, children aged 4-6 should really have no more than <u>19g</u> of free sugars a day, and that children aged 7-10 should have no more than <u>24g</u> of free sugars a day? Amazingly, 1 small bag of Haribo contains 7.5g of sugar. If a child in KS1 has school pudding (where we minimise the sugar content to 8g or below to meet Food Standards) that only leaves 3.5g for the rest of their day...so that doesn't include sugary drinks, breakfast cereals or a pudding with their evening meal.
Can I send in cakes then instead?	No thank you, for the same reasons as above.

Additionally, 'contains fruit' does not always make an item healthy too, so please be careful....like the sharer bag of skittles (136g) one child brought in this week containing **100.64g of sugar** (more than 4 times their suggested daily allowance) and who thought it was ok because there was 'fruit in it'.

Just worth considering.... that's all 😊

Have your say on childcare in Lincolnshire



Lincolnshire County Council are undertaking a parental survey to assess the need for childcare across Lincolnshire. This is part of a wider annual assessment of the Childcare Sufficiency in Lincolnshire, where childcare providers are also consulted.

www.letstalk.lincolnshire.gov.uk/childcaresurvey2024

Summer Swimming In the holidays

Keep your eyes peeled for information about out of school term swimming. We have been successful in a bid to continue funding to be able to provide swimming lessons FREE OF CHARGE every weekend (Saturdays AND Sundays) from May half term until the summer break and EVERY DAY of the summer break! Elite Sports



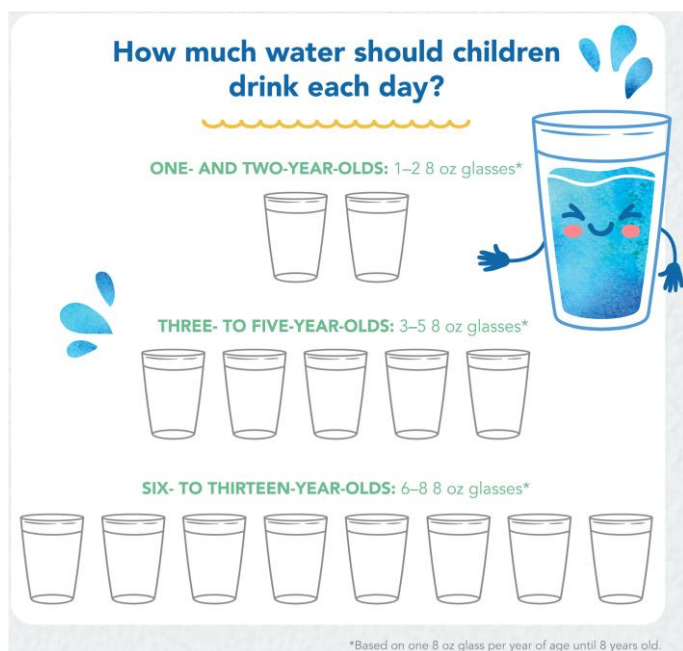
Academy will be timetabling this and as soon as this is done, we will direct you all to the booking system. As before, there will also be some 'open swim sessions' available for families to book. WATCH THIS SPACE.

EYFS

To celebrate children's understanding of how life has changed, Foundation Stage will be hosting a 'History Day' on **Friday 5th May**. Please see Tapestry for more information.

National Hydration Day

In honour of National Hydration Day, we thought we would share a bit of information and some helpful hints to ensure your child is drinking enough water. Research shows that water helps children feel good, focus, concentrate, and it provides your child with the necessary energy and brainpower to help him learn. Here are six simple tips to help you child stay hydrated all year long.



- **Encourage** – Encourage your child to drink water before, after, and during physical activity, even if they do not like it!
- **Offer** – Always offer water with meals and snacks.
- **Add Fruit** – Try adding slices of fruits such as lemons, oranges, pineapple, and strawberries to water for variety and flavour. Create taste test challenges and experiment by adding cucumbers or mint.
- **Make Drinking Water Fun** – Let your kids select their own reusable water bottle and decorate it with stickers, markers, puffy paint, etc. Serve water in colourful glasses and add a fun, silly straw.
- **Role Model** – Be a role model and drink water, too.
- **Chart** – Use our Hydration Chart as a fun way to inspire water drinking for you and your child.

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:

The Amazon logo, featuring the word "amazon" in a black, lowercase, sans-serif font, with a curved orange arrow underneath it.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/l4L8UUSA8V6A?ref=wl_share

Stem Club



On Saturday, 20 April 2024, the IET hosted the First Lego League UK MASTERPIECE National Final in Harrogate, with 74 teams from across the United Kingdom competing to be crowned the champions. Our team - Artistic Intelligence placed 21st with a score of 290. (places 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd all scored 290 points).

This year's theme was Masterpiece! With the project brief of:

“How we share our own hobbies and interests with others can be an expression of our creative selves. People who work in the arts can teach us a lot about how to communicate, how to engage, and how to entertain an audience

of any size. What can you learn from museums, theatres, and films that can help you share what you love to do?”

The children worked great as a team and decided to base their project around dance. They have programmed a robot to dance along to a short piece of music whilst sitting to give the message that dance is accessible to all.

Another part of the day was competing in the robot mission. The children worked together to design a robot with different attachments and create, test and improve code to complete missions around the table within a time limit of 2:30 minutes.

We are really proud of how the teamwork they showed and every they achieved during this year's project.

Year 6 Parents: Leaver's Presentation Baby Photos



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 send these in no later than the end of Term 5.

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!

Year 6 Leavers Prom

The Prom will be held at South View on Saturday 13th July, 6.30pm till 9pm. The ticket price is £15 which includes food, drinks and snacks. If you feel you are able to donate over and above the ticket price, this money will be used to make the evening even more special. We ask that payment be made no later than **Monday 6th May**.

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.

Birthday Treats



As we've asked you not to send in sweets or cakes when it's your child's birthday (in our aim to reduce our children's daily sugar intake), we have been asked by some parents what you **CAN** send in!

Some options could be:

- Let your child wear a birthday badge, they always like being noticed and congratulated.
- Send in something for the local food bank that we can pass on to them, or donate something to a favourite charity on behalf of the class, and let your child come and tell the class about it?
- Donate your child's favourite book to the library or school library with an inscription such as 'To celebrate Johnny's birthday'?

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

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 **489** members in our



South View Community Primary School

group!

Private group

Changes to the length of the school day from September



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 - 8.45am</u> to 12:00 noon <u>Session 2 - 1:00pm</u> to 3.00pm
Year 1 & Year 2 (Gates still open at 8:40) <u>Session 1 - 8.45am</u> to 12.00noon <u>Session 2 - 1.00pm</u> to 3.15pm
Year 3 – Year 6 (Gates still open at 8:40) <u>Session 1 - 8.45am</u> to 12.00pm <u>Session 2 - 1.00 pm</u> 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 and of course if I find this is not working I will look at this again.

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

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.

Year 6 parents and Facebook



Year 6 parents: We will be removing from Facebook all parents of year 6 children who do not have siblings lower down the school, on **Friday July 19th**. If you have any memories/photos on here you would like to keep, please save them between now and then, so that they are not lost.

Head Teacher Awards

<u>Class</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<u>Acorns</u>	Jacob G	For showing mathematician skills over the last term.
	Franky-Mae S	For trying so hard and putting lots of effort into her Phonics lessons.
<u>Catkins</u>	Clayton-Rhys S	With his developing confidence particularly with his writing.
	Amarachi C	Amarachi is really impressing us, she had been amazing in phonics this week.
<u>Hazels</u>	Finnr C	Who has shown fantastic problem solving in Maths this week. Well done Finn
	Noah H	Has consistently amazing presentation in all his work and always puts in his best effort in his book. Well done Noah.
<u>Maples</u>	Chloe W	Putting amazing effort into every single lesson. A real role model for the whole of year one to look up to.
<u>Chestnuts</u>	Harry I	For his increased participation in our English lessons. Great work Harry!
<u>Willows</u>	Olivia S	For always trying her hardest in everything she does.
<u>Aspens</u>	Summer D	For her fantastic progress with her reading
<u>Beeches</u>	Max O	For superb skills and supportive teamwork in both PE lessons. Keep it up.
	Zachary G	For superb skills and supportive teamwork in both PE lessons. Keep it up.
<u>Junipers</u>	Chase M	For an improvement in his concentration and pace of learning.
<u>Poplars</u>	Alfie L-H	For trying really hard in everything he does. Keep it up Alfie
<u>Elms</u>	Natasha P	For putting in heaps of effort into her work, listening well and providing super contributions in class. Well done!
	Lexi B-R	For constantly showing enthusiasm in class and with her learning, being an exceptional role model to others. Well done!
<u>Laurels</u>	Sienna P	For consistent effort and dedication to all subjects. She is making great progress, keep it up!
<u>Oaks</u>	Oliwia W	For being able to identify areas for development in SPaG, leading to personal successes this week. Well done, keep up the great work!
	Imogen W	For being able to identify areas for development in SPaG, leading to personal successes this week. Well done, keep up the great work!
<u>Redwoods</u>	Isla S	For displaying excellent determination in challenging herself to prepare for the upcoming SATs.
	Coby T	For displaying improved attention to his handwriting and showing more independence with his work ethic

Calendar of Events

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 <i>6th May 2024 - Bank Holiday</i> Ends Friday 24th May 2024	Training Day Tuesday 22nd April 2025 Begins Wednesday 23rd April 2025 <i>5th May 2025 - Bank Holiday</i> Ends Friday 23rd May 2025	Training Day Monday 20th April 2026 Begins Tuesday 21st April 2026 <i>4th May 2026 - Bank Holiday</i> 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>