



South Grove Primary School

Parent Newsletter 39



13th July 2017

Dear Parents

Stars of the Week

w/c 10.7.17

Attendance & Punctuality

w/c 3.6.17

N (am) – Vladut
RM – Taylah
RW – Kerim
1B – Ritwan
2K – Yanis
3DM – Malaeka
4SH – Aiden
6A – Sara
6M – David

N (pm) - Mahad
RR – Ridwaan
1A – Noah
2F – Oscar
3D – Sammy
4B – Aleeza
5D – Sameer
6Y – Tashae
PLM - Renato

Best Attendance ☺

1B & 5M 100%

Best Punctuality ☺

1A

Class that needs to improve their attendance

2F 92%

Class that needs to improve their punctuality

PLM



I cannot believe we are in the last week of the Summer Term! We have had a very busy few days and will continue to have until the end of term tomorrow, Friday 14th July at 2:30pm.



Annual Head Teacher's Prize Giving Afternoon

On Tuesday 11th July, and in great celebratory mood, we had a lovely afternoon with the children and their families, celebrating their achievements. I did start the assembly by saying that every child in the school had done very well this year and we all have special achievements to celebrate and that staff had a very difficult job of nominating only one child for each category of progress, achievement and contribution to school life as well as some special awards. Well done to everyone!

Here are a list of the winners:

Year Group	Progress	Achievement	Contribution to school life
Nursery AM	Ladnan	Subhan	Nikola
Nursery PM	Jeremy	Nabeeha	Nicholas
Reception	Farhan	Hashim	Zuelle
Year 1	Lilla	Salahuddin	Dillon
Year 2	Suleyman	Juwayria	Ayaan
Year 3	Daniyal	Elizabeth	Lukne
Year 4	Akash	Fatima	Jacob
Year 5	Zhanpeng	Eesa	Ismail
Year 6	Aurelian	Orteney	Maira
PLM	Jalal	Esja	Aaron
PE Champion of the Year*	Kadeem	Active Crew Member of the Year	Jeylan
Musician of the Year*	Sarai	Artist of the Year*	Jiya
School Council Rep of the Year*	Yasheka	Anti-Bullying Ambassador*	Jiya
Playground Buddy of the Year*	Tallulah	Citizenship Champion of the Year*	Kevinas
Head Gardener of the Year*	Jakub	Chef of the Year*	Saif
Makaton Buddy of the Year*	Saif	Computing Champion of the Year*	Eshan



Farewell and Good Luck!

It is always difficult at the end of an academic year to say goodbye to any staff, but this year particularly so.

Ms Alison Jenkins – Ms Jenkins will be retiring at the end of this term. She has been at South Grove for 22 years and over this time has had a variety of roles. Ms Jenkins originally came to South Grove to provide part-time support for children with English as an Additional Language. She then started full-time with us as an EMAG teacher in 1999. Since 2008 she has been our Reading Recovery Teacher and also providing PPA Cover for teaching staff, therefore working with many of our children and families. I know that you would join me in thanking Ms Jenkins for all the reading support she has given to individual children over the years, as I know many of you will have experienced her working with your children, helping them to develop the skills of reading and ensuring that they are, after a period of time, enabled to return to the classroom more confident with their reading. I am sure that she has read many hundreds of books over this time! We want to thank her, wish her all the very best for the future and hope she enjoys taking things at a slightly slower pace! I know that you will all want to wish her well for the future and know that she will take many fond memories of South Grove with her.



Mrs Alison Kay – Mrs Kay joined South Grove in 1994 as a supply part-time job share teacher and was given a permanent role in 1996. Her teaching role was essentially in EYFS and KS1 during this time. From 2010 Mrs Kay took on the role of Numbers Count Teacher and has supported many children developing their number skills ensuring they can access the mathematical curriculum within their classroom. I know that there have been many success stories when the children achieve their SATs results at the end of Year 6. She has also continued to cover PPA across KS2 and supported intervention groups essentially in Year 6 to help children prepare for their SATs. Mrs Kay has always had an interest in Music and Performing Arts and in the past another talent of hers was to teach the ocarina! She has enjoyed supporting the community life of the school and in particular the Music Leaders taking KS1 Singing Practice and with many musical performances over the years helping the younger years in the chorus with their songs and parts in the shows.



I know that you will join me in thanking Mrs Kay for all she has done for South Grove and wish her all the very best for the future and good luck!

Mrs Noreen Saied – Mrs Saied joined the school as a Newly Qualified Teacher 12 years ago in 2005 and taught across the lower KS2 and KS1. When she returned from maternity leave in 2012 she worked covering staff PPA across KS2 part-time. She has worked across KS2 and recently within Years 5 and 6 covering PPA and also group interventions supporting the children to prepare for their SATs. Mrs Saied has very much been part of the community of South Grove and supported the school in many ways with school fairs, Parent Consultation Evenings, International Evenings and performances. I know that she is known to many families within the school community and will have taught many of your children. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of everyone at South Grove to thank her and wish Mrs Saied all the very best for the future.



Mrs Sarah Young – Mrs Young joined the same time as Mrs Saied as a Newly Qualified Teacher in 2005. She initially worked in KS2 and then after returning from maternity leave she became part time, teaching French and covering PPA. This is what she has continued to do as well as supporting with some interventions particularly in Year 6. Mrs Young has very much been part of South Grove's school community supporting with extra-curricular activities such as French Club, Summer Fairs, and International Evenings. I am very pleased to say that Mrs Young will continue to work in Waltham Forest in a primary school teaching two days a week as she is doing now and teaching French. We thank her and wish her all the very best for her new role.



Mrs Marinella Alderson has worked within our Early Years Foundation Stage for the last 5 years. She has been a Reception Class Teacher and most recently she has been a part-time teacher working with both Nursery and Reception children carrying out intervention groups to support children to develop their early skills. She has developed an interest in SEN and inclusion provision within mainstream schools and I am very pleased to say that she has secured a part-time role within another local school within Waltham Forest working specifically with children with SEN needs and setting up her own nurture group. She has supported the school well during her time here and we thank her for all her hard work with both staff and children. We wish her all the very best for the future.



Miss Fiza Kiyani – Miss Kiyani joined South Grove 3 years ago as a newly qualified teacher. She has progressed well in her teaching career taking up a post of responsibility for the Science Curriculum. She has always worked within Year 2 and supported children during this time to achieve their very best with amazing results. She is now moving on to pastures new and has accepted a new teaching post in Westminster. We thank her and wish her well.



Miss Alison Appleton – Miss Appleton joined us at South Grove two years ago as an NQT. She has worked within Year 1 during this time and supported the children well to achieve their very best ready for Year 2. She has now decided to move onto pastures new and get closer to home! We thank her for her commitment to South Grove during this time and we would like to wish her all the very best for the future.



Mrs Knox – Mrs Knox has been our interim Music Leader for the Summer Term. She has continued to provide the school with our music curriculum and extra-curricular clubs. She also introduced the children to a couple of new clubs including drumming club and a jazz group. The Music Concerts have been enjoyed by children, staff and parents. Mrs Knox is moving to a new secondary school as a Music and Drama teacher. We wish her all the very best for the future.



We will miss them all.

School Journey to Kingswood, West Runton, Norfolk

As you will be aware 37 very excited children and 6 staff including myself set off for our annual School Journey on Friday 7th July. We had a weekend packed with activities planned. Once there, the children had a tour of the site, health and safety guidance was given to them and they finally got to know who they were sharing dormitories with and quickly settled in to their rooms.

Activities started straight away on the Friday at such a fast pace and one that was to continue! Swimming first and then a lovely long walk up 'The Bump' along the coastline. The adults felt this was a sure thing for very tired children and a good night's sleep/ Surely? However, the children's first night was a short one with many rising far too early thinking it was time to get up and no-one with a watch! The highlight for Saturday was all of us going down onto the beach for rock pooling. There were many wet feet and boots as the children slipped into the rock pools! The evening saw the children singing their hearts out with an array of songs around the campfire and making for very thirsty work, and saved by the arrival of hot chocolate.

Sunday and Monday saw a vast array of activities which the children enjoyed but another highlight was going down to the beach again for environmental art, building sandcastles and free drawing in the sand – look on the website for the team effort of Miss Marable, Miss Young and myself. We were very pleased with ourselves! The evening saw the children showered, gelled hair and best clothes for the disco! Communal dancing was a hit with the children, with Kingswood staff leading this! A record bedtime of 9:55pm has gone down in history as the earliest night we have got them to sleep!

On our last day, with cases packed the children ventured out for another two activities before it was time to say goodbye to Kingswood and head home. It was a very quiet journey home with most children's eyelids (and adults) suddenly feeling very heavy and in need of shutting much to the relief of us all! The coach driver was amazed at how quiet the coach was! A first in his experience!

The photographs of the experience will be on the website but I think Aaron's smile sums up the general feel of all of us as to the success of the journey. It was thoroughly enjoyable and the children were a credit to the school. They were great!

Parents Consultation Evening

If you were unable to attend Parents Evening for any reason please ensure that you make contact with your child's class teacher as they will have your child's report. Below is a reminder of the new classes and your child's new class teacher for next year. If you have any queries about this please come to the school office

NEW CLASSES FROM SEPTEMBER 2017



Nursery

Ms Rice)

Reception

Mrs McNaughton (RM)) Foundation Stage Leader

Miss West (RW)) Ms Rice

RM, RR & RW become **1B** with Ms Baruch) see new class lists

) for blended split

RM, RR & RW become **1DM** with Miss McFarlane)

) KS1 Leader

1A becomes **2F** with Miss Fowler) Miss Fowler

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1B becomes **2A** with Mr Allard)

)

2F becomes **3Y** with Miss Young)

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2K becomes **3H** with Miss Hubbard) Lower KS2

) Leader

3D becomes **4B** with Mrs Baker) Mrs Sandhu-Hanif

)

3DM becomes **4SH** with Mrs Sandhu-Hanif)

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4B becomes **5D** with Miss Diniz)

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4SH becomes **5M** with Miss McCarthy) Upper KS 2

) Leader

5D becomes **6M** with Miss Marable) Miss McCarthy

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5M becomes **6D** with Miss Dhesi)

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**Get excited for
NEW CLASSES!**



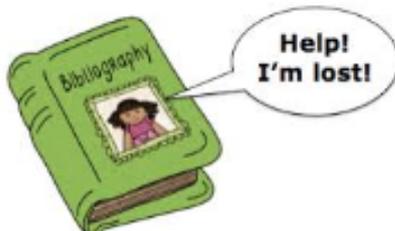
MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

Attendance Reminder

We would like to remind you that any absence linked to a school holiday will require medical evidence or will be classed as an unauthorised absence. When booking holidays please consider that we do finish the school year earlier than other schools to give you the opportunity to book a slightly earlier Summer break. We know that as parents you must value your children's education and missed days are missed learning opportunities.

The 2017-2018 school calendar is at the end of this newsletter

Lost Books



There are still many books missing from the Library and classrooms. Please can you all have a good look at home during the holidays for any class or library books that might be lurking under beds, at the back of a cupboard or the bottom of a bag. If you find a book that you've paid for because it was lost we will refund your money.

Walthamstow Wetlands Competition News

A few weeks ago we were visited by the organisers of the new 'Walthamstow Wetlands Centre project. As you may remember we watched an assembly about this project and some children entered a competition to design jars for a collaborative sculpture for the new centre's main foyer. I am extremely excited to announce that 23 children from South Grove have been chosen as winners and will have their jars displayed alongside winners from other schools.

We are currently busy turning these 2D designs into 3D interpretations in the actual jars. I have included a few finished examples so you can see how much effort the children have put into this project. We can't wait to see their finished art work in the wetland centre when it opens. Well done to everyone who entered and keep up the fantastic art work.

Mrs Baker



Green for Grenfell

Thanks again to everyone who wore green

We raised a brilliant **£438** for the families affected

South Grove Website

There's always lots is going on, so make sure you click on Latest News on the website to see a full list of past items and check that there's nothing you've missed.

Summer Reading Challenge

The children have been given a letter regarding the Annual Summer Reading Challenge at local libraries.

Do get involved – it's fun and keeps the children reading over the long Summer break which will stand them in good stead for the new academic year.

THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT

ANIMAL AGENTS

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2017

animal-agents.org.uk

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Friday 14th July

9.15am

Bring your tissues!!

Nursery Assembly

Last week Nursery treated us to not one but two assemblies! They performed brilliantly to proud parents and appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves speaking and singing about animals they had learnt about including the chicks which hatched in Nursery.



SOUTH GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEW CALENDAR 2017-2018



Autumn Term 2017:

Term:	Friday 1st September – Wednesday 20th December 2017
SCHOOL STARTS FOR PUPILS MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2017 (Nursery & Reception staggered intake over the week)	
<i>School closed to pupils on:</i>	
Staff Training Days:	Friday 1 st September & Friday 20 th October
Half Term:	Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October (inclusive)
Winter holiday:	Thursday 21 st December – Wednesday 3 rd January 2018 (inclusive)
School finishes for pupils at 2:30pm on Wednesday 20th December 2017	

Spring Term 2018

Term:	Wednesday 3rd January – Thursday 29th March 2018
SCHOOL STARTS FOR PUPILS THURSDAY 4th JANUARY 2018	
<i>School closed to pupils on:</i>	
Staff Training Days:	Wednesday 3 rd January
Half Term:	Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February (inclusive)
Spring Holiday:	Friday 30 th March – Friday 13 th April (inclusive)
School finishes for pupils at 2:30pm on Thursday 29th March 2018	

Summer Term 2018:

Term:	Monday 16th April – Friday 20th July 2018
SCHOOL STARTS FOR PUPILS MONDAY 16th APRIL 2018	
<i>School closed to pupils on:</i>	
Staff Training Days:	Friday 25 th May & Friday 20 th July
Public Holiday:	May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 7 th May
Half Term:	Monday 28 th May – Friday 1 st June (inclusive)
School finishes for pupils at 2:30pm on Thursday 19th July 2018	

Years 1 - 6 return to school on **Monday 4th September**. Children who are coming into Reception and Nursery for the first time will receive their own start date appointment letter so please look out for it.

Can I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and relaxed summer holiday with your children and we will see you all on **Monday 4th September 2017**.

with my very best wishes,

J. Maltwood

Julie Maltwood
Headteacher

KEEP READING!
SPORTS NEWS
BELOW



and finally...
We wish all our Year 6
a happy and successful time
at their new secondary
schools in September!



Year 6 Cycling - Thursday 6th July 2017 @ The London Olympic Velodrome

The children in the Year 5 cycling squad went to the London Olympic Velodrome for a reward for winning the afternoon cycling competition.



It is with great pleasure I can announce that we retained our title of overall borough winners, once again bringing home another gold trophy to the 'Shelf of Fame' in the school library.

Lower KS2 Football Festival – 7th July 2017

I had the pleasure of taking Nuwayla, Patrik, Zizou, Moses, Abdullah, Bi Jing, Saboor, Jacob, Gerald and Christopher to the Waltham Forest Year 3 & 4 Football Festival at Chingford Goals. The children were fantastic and worked really hard. They played 3 different matches.

- South Grove vs Roger Ascham 10-0
- South Grove vs St Josephs 2-3
- South Grove vs Thorpe Hall 3-0

Unfortunately we did not get through to the semi-final qualifications, but we still had a great time!



Quotes:

- "It was fun and exciting!" Nuwayla
- "Everyone tried their best!" Jacob
- "It was excellent!" Patrik
- "It was challenging but fun!" Zizou

Miss McFarlane

School Games Day Results

KS1 & Reception		KS2	
1 st place	Team Breakers (815 points)	1 st place	Saied's Sporting Stars (1471 points)
2 nd place	Magnificent Infants (806 points)	2 nd place	Baker's Barmy Army (1437 points)
3 rd place	Team Ultimate (766 points)	3 rd place	Awesome Mc's (1318 points)

See the photos and lovely videos of all events on the school website!

Aspire to be the very best that you can be!
Miss Young