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We Believe in Learning, We Believe in Happiness.

This week we are celebrating:
'Effort & Excellence in Computing'

Epping	Ralph H
Ashdown	LaTia-Mae CK
Grizedale	Erin F
Marston Vale	Kyle O
Fleet	Edwin H
Gisburn	Chloe M
Wykeham	Hettie H
Carrick	Corey M
Newborough	James F

We have had a BRILLIANT week in school – yesterday we heard that we have been awarded the prestigious **Inclusion Quality Mark**.

The application and assessment process was rigorous, but we did it!

Please see below for the letter we received which summarises the findings of the full report.

Thank you to everyone who was involved in this application (especially Mrs Tanner) and thank you too to Pupils, Parents and Carers, Staff and Governors who all play a part in making our school the 'friendly and inclusive school' recognised by our assessor. We are all very proud of our school!

Have a lovely weekend, Ms Cartlidge

Who won the Attendance Cup?

We aim for +97% (National Average 96%)

Week Ending 4th May – **97.1%**

Epping	99.5%
Ashdown	91.4%
Grizedale	98.3%
Marston Vale	97.6%
Fleet	98.1%
Gisburn	98.5%
Wykeham	99%
Carrick	97.5%
Newborough	94.1%

NOTICES

- Book Fair Competition Information is being sent home along with this newsletter.
- Our school photos have arrived back and small proofs are being sent home for your inspection but larger copies have also been displayed in the front entrance. Year 6 pupils have not received proofs as they will be given a display photo as a leaving gift at the end of Term 6.
- Reminder - Healthy Snacks at break could be fruit or vegetables – or other healthy food nibbles such as rice cakes, cereal bars, meat or cheese snacks for example – but no chocolate, cakes or biscuits please.
- We are a nut free school, so no packed lunches should contain nuts OR NUTELLA - thank you for your understanding.
- Now is the time to place uniform orders with SchoolTrends if parents wish to receive that order before the new academic year starts. Please ensure you order the correct size as they do not accept returns. Sample jumper/cardigan sizes are available to try on in the school office.

NEXT WEEK	
W/C Monday 14 th May	- Year 6 SATs week (Monday to Thursday) – all Year 6 pupils must be in school each day
Monday 14 th May	- Whole school Assembly 2:55 – families welcome
Thursday 17 th May	- Parent & Carer Art Club with Ms Green – 9:15 – 10:45 – all welcome
Thursday 17 th May	- FOSS Summer Fayre Meeting 3:30
Friday 18 th May	- EYFS trip to Woburn
Friday 18 th May	- Whole school Celebration Assembly 2:55 – families welcome
Friday 18 th May	- FOSS Cake Sale

Congratulations on the Achievement of the **IQM** Inclusive School Award

Assessment Date: 20th April 2018

Summary

Southfield Primary Academy is a friendly, inclusive school in beautiful leafy grounds. Its school ethos: 'We believe in learning. We believe in happiness,' is at the heart of the school. Everyone is aiming for the best academic outcomes for all children, but is also focussed on keeping all pupils safe, healthy and happy. There is a united drive and the school is striving for continual improvements on its journey.

Visitors to the school are warmly welcomed by the children, teachers and support staff alike. Pupils are very willing to discuss their learning and show their work. They co-operate with adults and each other extremely well. Pupils who join the school are welcomed and they are soon part of the friendly school. One happy child who joined the school smiled and said; 'I used to be shy!'

Good behaviour is a strength of the school and the children are given many opportunities to be Young Leaders and to be responsible at Southfield. For example, some pupils lead clubs, under supervision of staff. The Head Boy and Head Girl are role models and are impressive ambassadors for the school. Other pupils have become members of the School Council, voted democratically by their classmates following a speech. Pupils want to do well. They are keen to collect house points and are aware of the scores on the website and in the library.

During the IQM visit, I had a school lunch in the dining hall with a small table of pupils. They were very engaging and talked proudly about their school. The dining room was well organised and the pupils sat in small groups, café style. The staggered lunchtime and changes to the seating plan have been introduced to make lunchtimes more like eating with a family.

Teachers plan lessons which provide stretch and challenge, but also support. A range of 'Assessment for Learning' techniques are used to measure a child's progress throughout a session and the staff are flexible and adjust their teaching accordingly. They have introduced new approaches to Mathematics and English and are confidently using the revised tracking systems to analyse pupil progress.

They organise many extra clubs, visitors and visits that inspire the pupils.

Support Staff are highly skilled and wear many hats! Their time is valuable and is carefully timetabled to ensure that they are always focused on the needs of the pupils. The Inclusion Team ensures there is attention to detail in every aspect of support for pupils and they work with class teachers to select and evaluate the interventions.

Children who have Special Educational Needs are very well supported by the school and parents highly praise the school's practice. The professionalism and accessibility of the staff is very much valued and appreciated by the community, who feel that children are fully supported in accessing all that the school has to offer.

I am of the opinion that the school fully meets the standard required by the Inclusion Quality Mark. I recommend that the school be awarded the Mark and be reassessed in 3 years' time.

Assessor: Sally O'Neill

Findings confirmed by Inclusion Quality Mark (UK) Ltd:

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IQM Assessment Report

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SHOUT OUT

- To Mrs Jolley, parent netball coach extraordinaire – thank you on behalf of the squad (please see below) (& Mrs Lewton & Mrs Jolly too!)
- Everyone involved in achieving the IQM!
- Shout Out from Mrs Newton to Mrs Nelson to say thank you for litter picking around the school.

FOSS NEWS

We are looking forward to seeing you all at our Royal Wedding cake and novelty sale next Friday 18th May. Please bring your cake donations to the office the morning of the event. Thanks in advance for your support.

Please be aware that we have changed the date of the Summer Fayre. It will now be held after school on Thursday 12th July. We will be having a meeting to discuss the summer fayre next Thursday 17th May from 3.30pm, we would love to hear your ideas. Children are able to go to Wykeham to watch a film during the meeting.

The next book fair will be held after school from Monday 21st to Thursday 24th May in Stowe. Look out for the competitions for children to win book vouchers.

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STANDING NOTICES

FAMILY FORUM contact e-mail reminder – familyforum@southfieldprimary.info for ANY general questions, comments or suggestions about school. Please remember that we also have a suggestion box (for pupils and families) placed in the front entrance. Please state if the suggestion or comment has a specific audience (e.g. School Council, FOSS, School Governors, Mrs Reed, Ms Cartlidge etc.) This box is checked weekly.

SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERING – if you need to order uniform please ensure you visit the School Trends website <https://www.schooltrends.co.uk/> by the 5th of each month. Orders will then be collated and delivered within 14 working days.

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LEARN TO PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Would your child like to learn to play the **violin**, **ukulele** or **guitar**? These lessons take place during the school day for 33 weeks of the year and are taught by qualified teachers from NMPAT (Northamptonshire Music & Performing Arts Trust). The children learning to play the guitar or violin are taught in groups of 3 for 30 minutes and the cost of the lessons per child is £214.50 per annum which is payable in 3 instalments (September, January & April). The ukulele is taught in a group lesson of 6 children for 30 minutes and the cost is £107.25 per annum

If you are interested in musical instrument lessons, please speak to the school office

VACANCY – CLEANER

Would you like to join our team of fabulous cleaners? We are looking to recruit a member of staff working Monday to Friday 3.30pm to 5.45pm during term time plus one week during the summer holiday. If you are interested, please pick up an application form from the school office and return it no later than Friday 25th May 2018.

TERM 5 & 6 – some dates for your diary	
W/C 21 st May	- Year 2 SATs week
Friday 25 th May	- Last Day of term 5 – Open Afternoon, Celebration Assembly.
Monday 4 th June	- Pupils return for Term 6
Monday 11 th – Wednesday 13 th June	- Everdon Residential
Wednesday 13 th June	- Hazard Alley Trip
Wednesday 27 th June – Thursday 28 th June	- Upper Key Stage 2 Production (evenings)
Monday 2 nd July – Friday 6 th July	- Year 6 Transition Week
Monday 2 nd July	- ‘Move Up Monday’ – a day in new classes
Tuesday 10 th July	- Sports Days and Family Picnic
Thursday 12 th July	- FOSS Summer Fayre
Friday 13 th July	- End of year reports home
Monday 16 th July	- Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly (am) - Helpers’ Thank you tea (pm)
Tuesday 17 th July	- Superstars Tea - Year 6 Celebration Evening
Wednesday 18 th July	- Open Afternoon, End of Year Celebration Assembly
Thursday 19 th July	- Last Day of the school year!



At 3:30pm on Wednesday the 9th of May, Jack, Eleanor, Charlotte, Charlie, Louise, Amelia, Neve, George, Mrs. Lewton, Mrs. Jolly and our coach Sam (Jolley) left to go to the netball tournament in Magdalen Collage School. In the first round we were against Bracken Leas school, in that game we won 5:1 to us. In the second game, we played against Newbottle, they won in that game 6:0 to them, they were a really good team. In our third game, we played against Croughton A, in that game we won 1:0. In our final game, we won 2:0. Overall everyone had a great time and we were placed 4th out of 9 schools.

I just wanted to say how proud I am of the children who took part in the netball tournament. They all worked very hard. They played each game as a team and followed the rules perfectly. Even though they were up against teams that were aggressive and forceful, they stayed composed and worked as a unit. The team played like champions and behaved like professionals. What a credit to Southfield School! The best thing about the whole tournament... every child's face was beaming with pride at the end. Amazing! The children are a privilege to coach.

Mrs Samantha Jolley

BRACKLEY CARNIVAL – SATURDAY 9TH JUNE 2018 – REMINDER – Paper copies of this entry form are available from the office as are Carnival Wristbands.

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Brackley Carnival is now just a few short weeks away and we again wish to have our school represented in the procession (<http://brackleycommunitycarnival.org.uk/>).

This year's theme is: 'The Animal Kingdom' which we are interpreting by showing a timeline of evolution!

Nursery & Reception will be FISH so they should wear a fish costume - maybe goggles, flippers, fins?

Years 1 & 2 will be INSECTS with antennae, wings (?), stripes or spots and definitely a couple of extra legs!

Years 3 & 4 will AMPHIBIANS or REPTILES (including Dinosaurs).

Years 5 & 6 will be BIRDS or MAMMALS

Adults (and Secondary Aged Former Pupils) will be CAVE MEN & WOMEN

If you have a costume, or will be able to make one – great, if not, don't worry as Miss Green will make sure that all participants in the procession have something appropriate to add to their clothes – as long as we know who is taking part.

We would also welcome your help at school all day on Monday 14th May for Carnival Craft Day!

We would love as many families as possible to join our Southfield procession the morning of the Carnival (full timings to follow). Key Stage 2 pupils can walk with staff in the procession and be then be collected as the procession ends (although families of our older pupils are, of course, welcome to join us), Early Years and Key Stage 1 pupils will need a parent or carer accompanying them on the procession. In order to enter the Carnival Site, adults will need to buy a wristband from the school office for £4 (£5 on the day), wristbands for secondary aged pupils are £2, Primary aged pupils enter the Carnival site at Magdalen School for free.

We now need to know how many children and adults will be taking part. If you are planning on joining us, please fill in the form below and return it to school by Friday 11th May at the latest (paper copies will be available at the office).

Pupils joining the procession

1 _____ Year / Class _____

2 _____ Year / Class _____

3 _____ Year / Class _____

Number of Adults / Secondary Age Pupils joining the procession _____

I can provide / make a costume / costumes OR

I would like a costume provided (will dress in correct coloured clothing) – PLEASE DELETE AS APPROPRIATE

Name _____ Contact _____

Further information will be provided once all slips have been received.