

High Academic Standards: Sporting Opportunities: Caring Relationships: Musical Excellence: Christian Values

Date	Event
February	
Monday, 3 rd	Eden's Bake Sale 3.30-4.30pm junior playground
Tuesday 11 th	Party Pieces – 5.30pm
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st	HALF TERM
17 th – 21 st Feb	ASC Holiday Club at Wood's School
Monday 24 th	INSET
Tuesday 25 th	Shrove Tuesday – 11am Pancake Race, Roe Hill
Friday 28 th	9.00am Class 3 parents coffee morning 9.30 Class 3 Assembly
March	
Tuesday 3 rd	Parent child and Teacher Meetings 3.50pm – 7pm
Thursday 5 th	Parent child and Teacher Meetings 3.50pm – 5.50pm
Friday 6 th	Book Day
Thursday 19 th – 20 th	Mothers Day Gift Shop (PTA)
Monday 30 th	9.30am Easter Service at St Swithun's
April	
Monday 6 th -17 th	EASTER HOLIDAY

Easter Service

All parents and carers are invited to join us for our Easter Service at St Swithuns on Monday 30th March at 09:30am.

Parking

Please do not use the Staff car park for dropping children off or picking up from school, as space is tight and we do not want any vehicles getting blocked in or damaged. Also please do not park on the Zig Zag lines on Lingwood Lane as it is very narrow.

Best attendance

We regularly monitor attendance and achievement. You may be interested to know 50% of the children who had attendance below 95% last term did not make good progress. Some of these absences were unavoidable due to illness, operations and visiting secondary schools. However, holidays and routine dentist appointments have impacted on a number of children's progress and attendance. We understand the cost implications of taking holidays during school time, but please think carefully before booking a holiday. Even short weekend breaks can impact on your child's progress. If at all possible please make routine dentist appointments during holidays.

This week's prize goes to Class 1.

Parents Evening

Appointments will be sent out on 10th February, please return your form if you have not already done so.

If you have not managed to attend our parents' workshops on reading, maths, assessment or grammar this year I am very happy to go through these during parents meeting evenings or at a time to suit. Please let the office know which workshops would be useful. If there are any other areas of the curriculum you would like more information on please also let us know.

Walk to school week

Next week is our walk to school week. We have one each term to encourage careful parking, car share and parking at the Four Bells or Nags Head. There's a special prize for the best rap, written at home!

Bake Sale for Australia – Monday 3rd February after school

A reminder that Eden and her friends are asking for donations of cup cakes on Monday morning to sell after school in the junior playground. Just 50p per cake, the money will go to help animals affected by the fires.

Stars of The Week

Year R – William, for very impressive moves and carefully thought out travelling across, over and under the large apparatus in the hall during our P.E. lessons. You are so inventive William!

Alfie – For not only showing some thoughtful moves in response to the music in our dance lessons, but also for being very caring towards others and encouraging them to join in. Wonderful Alfie!

Year 1 – Harrison for being a super star scientist!

Year 2 – Heidi for always working hard and participating in class activities with a smile.

William – for writing a super alternative story to “The Owl who was afraid of the dark”. Keep up the hard work William.

Year 3 – Lavinia and Harley for their dedication and perseverance in Maths this week, estimating and checking answers using different methods.

Year 4 – Toby and Walt

Toby has really impressed me with the effort he has put into his handwriting and his imaginative ideas.

Walt – putting in lots of effort into his maths work and showing good time management skills.

Year 5 – Annie and Mark

Annie is a delight to teach; she is enthusiastic and extremely well motivated to always do her very best. The quality of her work is of a very high standard and we are super proud of her.

Mark is a fantastic member of the Class 5 team. He is very sensible and hardworking at all times and is a great role model. He has produced some fabulous descriptive writing this week. He is a super star!!

Year 6 – Grace for listening to a range of questions and answers, discussing how and when to delve deeper into them, especially in reading.

Willow – for being a good role model for behaviour and learning in and outside the classroom.

After school Clubs

Mr Robinson will be attending jury service at the beginning of February. Therefore, there will be no Multisports or Multiskills running during this period.

Teaching Science

On the next few pages are some of the terms we use in science. We thought it would be useful for parents to know these, so they can talk to their children about their science. Our science focuses on helping children to use their scientific knowledge to plan tests to check their understanding. This means the children have a deeper understand and build upon their natural curiosity about the world around them.

INTERESTED IN SCIENCE?

A glossary of scientific terms to help you to understand exactly what your child is learning at school and for you to share with your children

Adaptation is the process by which living creatures (animals and plants) adapt or evolve to survive in their environment and to live amongst a specific group of other living things.

Air resistance is the force on an object moving through air. Air resistance affects how fast or slowly objects move through the air.

A **circuit** is a closed loop for electricity to travel around. In primary school children learn about simple series circuits in which a single wire runs from a battery to a bulb and back again.

Condensation is to turn **from a gas into a liquid**. In the water cycle, the evaporated water in the air cools and turns back into a liquid.

A **conductor** is an object that allows electricity to flow through it easily. Objects made of metal are good conductors.

Within a **food chain**, a **consumer** consumes a **producer** (usually a plant) or another consumer by eating it. Consumers can be primary, secondary, tertiary, etc consumers depending on their position in the food chain. Consumers are also called **predators** of the animals they eat; animals eaten by other animals are **prey**.

Dissolving is a way of mixing a solid and a liquid. When a solid dissolves in a liquid it creates a solution.

Evaporation is the process by which **a liquid, when heated, changes into a gas** and rises into the air. Evaporation is part of the water cycle as water from the earth's seas and oceans evaporates when is heated by the sun's rays.

Evolution is the process of change to animal and plant species over long periods of time, or how plant species and animals have developed from generation to generation.

A **fair test** is a controlled investigation used to answer a question in a scientific way.

A **food chain** is a diagram that shows us how animals are linked by what they eat.

Germination is the process of a seed starting to grow to create a new plant.

Igneous rock is one of the three kinds of rock present on Earth. It is formed when magma or lava from volcanoes cools; basalt and granite are both igneous rocks.

Animals who don't have a bony skeleton are called **invertebrates**; insects, spiders and crabs are invertebrates.

An **irreversible change** is a change that cannot be changed back again. Burning or mixing a liquid with bicarbonate of soda are examples of irreversible changes.

A **micro-habitat** is a very specific, small home environment (like a tree or a pond) for a variety of plants, animals and insects.

Metamorphic rocks like slate or marble are formed when other kinds of rock (**igneous** or **sedimentary**) are changed due to heat or pressure. Things are **opaque** if light cannot pass through them.

Photosynthesis is the process plants use to make food from sunlight; it also requires carbon dioxide (from the air), and water (from the soil).

Pitch is the quality of a sound. Depending on how fast or slowly something vibrates a sound's pitch will be high or low.

Precipitation is rain, sleet, hail and snow, the water droplets which fall from the sky.

Within a **food chain**, a **producer** (usually a green plant) passes energy on to a **consumer** (an animal who eats the plant) through carbohydrates and proteins.

A **reversible change** is a change that can be changed back again. Melting and heating are examples of reversible changes.

Sedimentary rocks like sandstone or chalk are formed over millions of years when sediments (tiny pieces of rocks and organic matter) are pressed together.

Matter makes up our planet and the whole universe. On Earth, **all matter exists in one of three different states: solid, liquid or gas**. Depending on its temperature, matter can change state; heating, cooling, evaporating and condensation are ways in which a material changes state.

Things are **transparent** if most light can pass through them.

Vertebrates are animals with backbones / skeletons and include amphibians, birds, fish, mammals and reptiles.

Voltage is the amount of electrical energy used. It is measured in volts.

The **water cycle** is the continuous journey water takes from the sea, to the sky, to the land and back to the sea.

LATER IN THE YEAR WE WILL BE SHARING MORE DETAILS ABOUT HOW WE CARRY OUT A FAIR TEST WHEN CARRYING OUT INVESTIGATIONS. WATCH THIS SPACE

Physical Education

A Guide for Parents

We believe that physical education is very important for the emotional and physical health of our children. The children not only learn how to throw and catch but they learn to understand the need for sharing, commitment and fairness. Coordination and motor skills are enhanced in lessons which benefits children's all round development in these critical years of growth.

Children will have two 1 hour PE lessons a week (in Year 4, swimming takes the place of one lesson). There are a wide variety of clubs for children to participate in including football, cricket and dance. All children are expected to participate fully in lessons.

Throughout the school, children will be able to participate in dance, gymnastics, athletics and a variety of outdoor games (football, netball etc). In year 4, children will learn how to swim. Wood's aims to provide a balance of individual, team, co-operative and competitive activities. Teachers seek to cater for each pupil's abilities and preferences. Over the course of the year, children who are particularly skilled in a specific area of P.E. will be given the opportunity to participate in competitions.

How parent can help at home

To get the most out of indoor PE lessons it is important that the children wear appropriate clothing to allow a full range of movement. All junior children are expected to bring the correct PE kit to school on the day they have their PE lesson. The correct kit is a green T-shirt and black

shorts or track-suit pants. Parents can also help by trying to ensure that children have a healthy and balanced diet. Furthermore, parents should try to encourage children to engage in physical exercise out of school hours in order to maintain a basic level of fitness.

Local sports activities

Please see the document LOCAL SPORTS CLUBS for some sport your child might like to try.

February 2020 Half Term Holiday Club
@Woodborough Woods C of E School

*****BOOKINGS NOW OPEN*****

Games
Sports
Team building
Arts and Crafts plus much more....

February 2020, Monday 17th - Friday 21st.

Full day 8am - 5pm
Half days available
£25 per person, Siblings £20 if booked on same day

Open to children from all schools. Ages 4+.



To make a booking please email: ASCHolidayClubs@yahoo.com

LOCAL SPORTS CLUBS

Football



Lowdham colts FC –
<https://lowdhamcolts.info/>



Calverton Miners Welfare FC
<https://www.calvertonmwfc.co.uk/>



Southwell City FC-
<https://www.southwellcity.com/>



Rugby



Southwell RFC
Email:
enquiries@southwellrugby.com
<http://southwellrfc.rfu.club/>



Mellish RFC (Mapperly Plains)
<http://www.mellishrfc.co.uk>



Paviors RFC (Arnold)
<http://www.paviorsrfc.co.uk/>



Cricket



Caythorpe Cricket Club
Summer training 6pm Fridays



Southwell Cricket Club
<https://www.southwelcc.co.uk/>



Calverton Cricket club
<https://www.calvertoncc.co.uk/>



TENNIS



Southwell Tennis Club
southwelltennis.org.uk/Junior_Tennis.htm

Burton Joyce Tennis Club
<https://bjtennisclub.wixsite.com/bjtc>

