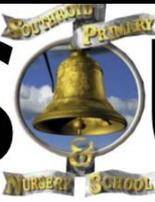


SOUTHROYD SPECTACULAR



March 24th 2017

SHAKESPEARE WEEK

From Reception up to Year 6, the whole school has joined with the rest of the nation to celebrate Shakespeare Week. Building on the success of previous years, the children have extended their knowledge of our finest playwright and tackled their most advanced text so far - 'Twelfth Night'.

Shakespeare Week this year has had an overall theme of 'music', so - as well as in-depth study of plot, themes and characters - the children have also been learning songs from the play (with Year 5 and the Ukulele Club even learning to play the songs on the ukulele).

With Mr Hall in costume again, playing a variety of roles (from Shakespeare himself to Malvolio, Sir Toby Belch and even Viola!), the children have explored this well-loved comedy through drama, role-play, careful reading of the text and character-study. They have tackled the sometimes tricky text and been inspired to write in a variety of styles from the point of view of key characters. In Reception, the children created the storm that opens the play with percussion instruments and body-percussion.

Mr Hall and all the teachers have been extremely impressed by the depth of knowledge of language, characters and plot that the children have displayed, and by the speed in which they've taken on board a complex plot.

YEAR 1

Miss Richardson: this week we have been learning about Sir Toby Belch. We interviewed him in order to help us debate whether he was a good friend or not. We then made posters about the character using our opinions.

YEAR 2

Freya's highlight was when Connor's acting of Sir Toby Belch was so good that it made Mr Hall jump!

YEAR 5

Kyle in 5 Newton says he has had a really fun week learning about Twelfth Night.

Annabelle found it a challenge to learn the Shakespeare song on the ukelele but said that it had been fun.

Frankie wanted to say thankyou to Mr Hall for coming and working with the class as Viola.

Lily says it has been a great experience learning more about Viola and Malvolio and she can't wait for next year, adding "Year 5 wrote probing questions for Viola to improve our understanding of her character. Mr Hall acted as Viola and we questioned her (him!) - great fun!"

YEAR 6

Hannah in Y6 said, "I really enjoyed finding out about our history and also having a chance to talk like Lady Olivia would have done, in our drama."

WHAT NOW?

If you and your child are interested in following up this learning the websites below are useful, fun and interesting:

<https://www.shakespeareweek.org.uk/>

a BBC animation which tells the story
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/clips/z3mqh4>

a really good generic site on Shakespeare with various links

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/william_shakespeare/

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/clips/zgrhn39>

You can have this newsletter emailed to you automatically every week—just go to
www.pudseysouthroyd.leeds.sch.uk

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are very proud of how we work as a team at Southroyd - and our uniform helps identify us as a team.

Staff have noticed that some children are occasionally coming in non school uniform colours. Interestingly, this has also been picked up in this week's parents questionnaires as something that can be improved.

So after Easter please can we have renewed efforts with school uniform so we look and act smart together as a team.

The uniform is simple (and cheap) and you do not have to wear jumpers with a logo. You simply need to stick to RED jumpers or cardigans . If you have any difficulty with this please speak to us, so we can help.

We will talk to the children about this next week, but after Easter we will help those children who forget with more active reminders. If a child wears the wrong jumper we will remind them gently to wear their red one the next day. They will be asked to keep their jumper on their peg and take it home at the end of the day and offered a red school jumper that they can wear for the day instead—we have plenty in lost property!

Thankyou in anticipation of your co-operation and support in this matter.

SOUTHROYD UNIFORM

Grey or black shorts, trousers, skirts or pinafore dresses.

Red jumpers, fleeces, sweatshirts or cardigans (with or without logos).

Summer dress option—any red stripe/check.

SCHOOL COUNCIL CLIMATE CHANGE

Following a successful Earth Hour, School Council have decided to set up their own Green Monitors to help classes to remember to turn off their boards and lights—as well as control the use of radiators. The council recognised the amount of energy that we still waste between us and is setting up an Eco-winning class every 2 weeks in Friday assembly.

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PARENTS' EVENING

Thankyou for your attendance. If you missed your appointment please make another with your child's teacher. We aim to see 100% of parents.

DATES

Friday 31st March—last day of School
Tuesday 18th April—school opens for Summer Term

Year 6 SATS week—Monday 8th May
Year 1 Phonics Screening 12th—16th June

TRAINING DAY REMINDERS:

School is closed for training days on :

Tuesday 25th July
Wednesday 26th July

The last day of school will be **MONDAY 24th JULY**. All children are expected to be in on this day—this will be a very special day in school and not to be missed!

EASTER RHINOS CAMPS

Our TRUST partners, Leeds Rhinos Foundation, are holding great fun activity camps over Easter.

The Rhinos are holding a **multi sports camp** at **Crawshaw Academy** in the Easter holidays!

The 4 day camp takes place from **Tuesday 4th April - Friday 7th April and costs £50**.

The camp is suitable for boys and girls aged 6-12

All participants will get a free t-shirt, water bottle and a ticket to an upcoming Leeds Rhinos home game!

We're also running a **dance camp** at Swinnow Primary School!

The 4 day camp takes place from **Monday 3rd April - Thursday 6th April and costs just £25**.

The camp is perfect for boys and girls aged 7-12 and is being held at Swinnow Primary School.

Call 0371 423 1315 to book your place.

<http://www.leedsrhinosfoundation.org/camps/index.php>