

SOUTHROYD SPECTACULAR



October 5th 2018

BIG TALK: WHO HAS TRIED TO MAKE OUR WORLD A PEACEFUL PLACE?

In Assembly and Big Talk this week we have shared a number of thoughts about the World we live in and who has contributed to making it a better place. Mr Manton talked about the United Nations Global Goals, which our Indian guests will be talking about when they visit in a week. We recognised the 17 global goals as some of the challenges to making our world a better and more peaceful place. This was the perfect time to remind the children that it was the start of Black History Month, and a time to recognise the contributions of many historical black figures who have contributed to making our world a better, more equal and fair place.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Year 2 have been learning about important people in black history through their literacy and heroes topic. This week they have been looking closely at the work and words of Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr and how they helped equality.

They have used drama, debating and guided reading to investigate these important figures and to help them imagine what life would be like if segregation had continued. The children have ended the week writing their own 'I Have a Dream' speeches.

GOVERNOR UPDATE

The Governors have had their first meeting of the year. Our newest member's profile is below. We are still recruiting governors and in particular we require a Governor with some skills relevant to supporting all aspects of Health and Safety. If you know of anyone who might be interested please contact the office.

Hi, my name is Sue Podmore and I have just started as a Governor here at Southroyd School. I have two children who come to the school who are in year 3 and reception.

I have worked in Human Resources now for many years and am looking forward to using my skills to contribute to the development of the school



DEMOCRACY IN ACTION

After a frantic fortnight of hustings, posters, leafletting and campaigning, our school council have finally been elected. The posters in the corridors have finally come down, reflecting some terrific thought that has gone into what would make the children suited to the role of school councillor. We were delighted by the active citizenship of over 100 children who stood to be their class representative.

On Wednesday, the Polling Station was busy and children from Y2 to Y6 were responsible to take themselves to vote. We were impressed by the developing understanding of democracy and electoral responsibility! At the end of the day, votes were counted and we would like to say thank you to all those candidates who weren't successful this time but I'm sure will stand again and wish our successful candidates well.

Well done to the new school council:

2S Lauren B, Henrikas M
 2N Jessica M, Josh D
 3H Jessica O, Max P
 3T Amiee H, Charlie R
 4S Scarlett P, Niko S
 4B Lauren SJ, Jack VS
 5P Holly D, David T
 5N Ellie P, Dylan B
 6D Jessica W, Bradley Y
 6C Isla P, Jayden W

The council will meet next week, where their work will begin and we know that they will do a fantastic job. You can see some of the excellent campaign posters

on the school app gallery

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CURRICULUM SESSIONS

Thanks to all the families who attended the curriculum sessions this week - we had over 115 families attend.

Mr Manton has created a survey to allow you to feedback your thoughts which we do find very useful—please take a moment to complete.

<http://southroyd.surveys.schooljotter2.com/surveys/page/YWL24X>

The feedback so far has been very encouraging and I'd like to share some with you so that if you didn't make the meeting, you might consider approaching your child's teacher or catching Mr Manton on Parents evening for a summary of the session so you can benefit too!

Really helpful & good to be included at an early part of the school year - will be good to read through the coming handouts too which will help us support our children doing homework.

The information was very useful and now I look forward to seeing it put into action. It is very important for me to know what is being taught and how so I can support this at home.

I thought the session was incredibly useful, it's great to find out how the children are being taught so that we can reciprocate the learning methods at home. It was also a nice opportunity to meet the teaching staff and see the classroom.

I found it a useful meeting to see what are the expectations by the end of the year and processes that are followed. A little bit longer after the afternoon session for discussion with teachers would be great and some handouts with the info on as it's a lot to take in!!!

I attended the 9-9.30 reception meeting. The meeting was really useful with demonstrating how my child would learn at school and ways to support him at home. The reception handouts were useful, especially the letter writing notes explaining how the children would be taught to write each letter. Thanks for an informative session.

Teachers were really clear in their explanation. Thank you for taking the time.

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PARENTS' PAGE—LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

Make sure you look at the website for information about your child's learning.

<http://www.pudseysouthroyd.leeds.sch.uk/learning/learning-expectations>

This will help you to know what is expected of your child by the end of their current year group—and help you keep your 'eye on the prize' in terms of knowing the key bits of knowledge, skills and understanding expected of a child in each year.

This then allows you to reinforce, embed and explore this key learning with your child further – so they can feel really confident in their learning and apply it to real life situations—you can help them to become **MASTERS** of their own learning!

HENRY TRAINING

This is an excellent course for all parents to reflect on the toughest job in the world! It covers:

Juggling life with children
Responding to children's needs without giving into demands
Positive mealtimes
Understanding and managing children's behaviour
Active play

Its also a great opportunity to just talk parenting with others.

Starts Tue 16th October 9.15am. Contact Sharon 07712216466 Wendy 07891273935

CLIMBING EQUIPMENT

Please can parents ensure that no children are using the monkey bars before and after school. Staff are not able to supervise the use of the equipment during these periods.

LEEDS LIGHTS

Have you seen the amazing Leeds Lights? Tonight is the final night to see the incredible illuminations and street art in our fantastic city.

You may have seen the monster sized fire breathing dragon on the Queen's Hotel for example.



SOUTHROYD TREASURE HUNT - WALKING STRATEGY!

12—2pm Sunday 21st October

Mrs Rice and our Chair of Governors, Sue Clifford, have been out and about in the summer holidays designing a new local history/geography treasure hunt for families to enjoy.

This is a great way to have a superb walk! As well as getting your children walking as part of our curriculum we also try to promote it as a fabulous healthy and social hobby! It's a great way to get your 30:30—remember ? 30 minutes of activity at home , 30 minutes in school (or work!)

The treasure hunt is a fun, easy course to complete - with all (correct) entries being raffled for a grand prize of a family cinema experience.

The hunt starts and finishes at school—with an opportunity to feast on a lovely burger or hot dog and well deserved cup of tea !

Letters are coming out—please do come along!

2P CHALLENGE !

Simon Seary from the Pudsey Carnival and Community Committee has asked for all schools to get involved in the 2p challenge and as we are ACTIVE CITIZENS, we are delighted to part of this!

Everyone is encouraged to collect as many 2ps as you can, ready to bring them into school for Children In Need—November 16th, where we will collect all the 2ps in official buckets.

These will be taken to Pudsey Leisure Centre where our local councillors will be hosting the event to create an amazing 2p mosaic of Pudsey Bear.

YEAR 3 SALTAIRE TRIP

On Monday 1st October we went to Saltaire. First we went in to the church and we were given bookmarks by a lady called Mrs Dooley. On the bookmark we each had a name and an address. We had to go and find the house from the bookmark. Then we went into the mill and saw David Hockney's art work.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

INDIA WEEK - our Bachpan visitors will be in school all week beginning 15th October.

PARENTS' EVENINGS - week beginning 22nd October . See Parents' Evening On line booking system for appointments going live on Wednesday 10th October.

FOSS DISCO—Thursday 25th October:

*EYFS 2.30pm
Rec and KS1 3.30—4.30pm
KS2 4.45—5.45pm*

TRAINING DAY - Friday 26th October—school closed.

SCHOOL REOPENS - Monday 5th November..

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Thankyou to all our families who came along for the treasure hunt and sausage sizzle last night, it was a great turn out.

It is really super for the children to see their important adults, parents and staff, talking and relaxing together.

And of course the sausages were yummy too!

PE MULTI SKILLS EVENT

Ten students from KS2 took part in an inclusive athletics event at Leeds West Academy. The students practised their long jump, balancing and throwing skills, as well as working in teams for a running relay event.

Lots of fun was had with all students winning stickers for their team work, passion and determination. Medals went to Hannah Felton and Jayden Sharp for their over all efforts and attitude. We are looking forward to attending more Inclusive events in the future.

READING RECOMMENDATIONS

The Books Trust have published their Great Reads for children on their website.

You can find out some of the very latest recommendations for children of all ages. Have a look at the website page

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/great-books-guide> - link on the school website.

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