



# SOUTH BERSTED CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Newsletter 3/18

12<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers



Today we held our Harvest Festival at the church. As you will know our focus for this year was water, in particular the charity 'Water Aid'. During Collective Worship last week and also during our Water Aid focus day, we looked at how our food production is dependent on water and how the charity is working hard to ensure everyone has access to safe and clean water. From looking at our Facebook page, you will have seen that this week pupils from across the school have also been planting their own vegetables, which links back to our Water focus and our current school value, Nurture.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff, children and our families for the donations of food which will be passed on to the Bognor Regis Food Bank.

Mr Goodwin  
Headteacher

### Supervision After School

I would like to remind parents and carers that it is the parent's responsibility to supervise their children from 3.15pm (except if your child is taking part in an after school club). Children should not be left unattended on the play equipment and should vacate the school grounds promptly at the end of the day. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

### Bedtime Breakfast Feedback

I was delighted to see so many parents attending the Early Years' Bedtime Breakfast workshop. In response to the feedback that we received, we are currently looking at videos and additional information that we can add to the learning tab of the school's website. We aim to have the additional information related to phonics on the website after half term.

### Home Learning Exhibition

It has been pleasing to see the wonderful creations and home learning projects which have been brought into school over the last few weeks. To celebrate and share the children's work, we will be holding a Home Learning Exhibition after school as follows:

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 3.15pm (in the hall)**

We do hope you can join us to view the completed work.

**NURTURE:**

*'To care for or protect something whilst it is growing'*

## Author Visit – Christopher Joyce

Last week we had a visit from children’s author Christopher Joyce, who as you will know has written a series of children’s books called The Creatures of Chichester. The children found his visit inspiring and learned lots about how to structure stories and plan their writing:

*‘I was surprised to meet him. The pictures he showed us made me want to read his books’ (Chloe W, Y4)*

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*‘It was fascinating because I’ve not seen a real author for a very long time. He inspired me to write a story’ (Jakub S, Y5)*

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*I really enjoyed listening to him, I even bought the book ‘The One About The Smelly Ghosts’ – it’s really good! (Yusuf U, Y4)*

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*‘The author was really fun. He inspired me to write my own books based on Year 6 teenagers that have magical cubes called Power Cubes’ (Joseph A, Y6)*

We are delighted to confirm that Christopher Joyce will be back in school on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December for our Christmas Fair, when he will have more copies of his books available to purchase.

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## Maths Challenge

During next Thursday’s Collective Worship, we will be naming the winners of our half termly maths challenge. Please encourage your child to complete the challenge by Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October and hand it into the Key Stage 1 or Key Stage 2 box. **Please can we remind parents and children that names must be included!!**

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## Year 6 Residential – Parents Information Meeting

A reminder that the parent’s information meeting for the Year 6 residential will take place on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm. Information packs will be handed out during the meeting.

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## Learning Journeys

After half term, each year group will begin a new Creative Theme. Over the half term holiday, we encourage you to visit our school website where you will find topic links for the different areas. You may even want to visit the library and discuss key people, inventions or events related to your child’s next topic:



**Reception:** Out of this World!

**Year 3:** We are not amused



**Year 1:** Back to the Future

**Year 4:** Frozen Planet



**Year 2:** Pesky Pirates

**Year 5:** Are We Destroying Our Planet?



**Year 6:** Bullets, Bombs and Bunting



## What We Will Be Learning

In giving your child an advantage we are now including information on what your child will be learning. We encourage you to discuss these key areas so your child starts the unit of work, topic or lesson with some knowledge and understanding. This may be as simple as discussing key words, looking out for key information when out walking or talking to family members. Below is a summary of what each class will be learning for the last week of this half term:

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**Reception:** *We will be rounding off our Superheroes topic next week with an exciting visit from some real life superheroes, the fire service and the police. They will be visiting us to talk about what they do and how we can stay safe. They will also be bringing a fire engine and a police car to school. We will be continuing with our fire training and are hoping Mr Goodwin will do a fantastic session in the hall again!*

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**Year 1:** *We are looking at Nick Butterworth and reading some of the books he has written. We will be exploring how Christians view God and what we can learn from this. In art, we will be creating dinosaur models and we are looking forward to our dinosaur day next week too!*  
**Words of the Fortnight:** *Explorer*

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**Year 2:** *Rosa Parks is a significant woman in history and by half term, Year 2 will know lots about her. We will be doing a timeline of her life and learning more about her. We will also be writing biographies about her.*  
**Words of the Fortnight:** *Biography*

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**Year 3:** *Next week we will be learning how people created art and cave paintings in Stone Age times. We will be using our knowledge of addition and subtraction to complete word problems.*  
**Words of the Fortnight:** *Combine*

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**Year 4:** *After a busy half term, next week we will be publishing some of our work on Ancient Egyptians. We will be finishing and evaluating our art work – do come and see the displays in the corridor.*  
**Words of the Fortnight:** *Publish*

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**Year 5:** *Next week we will be completing our topic about space. We will listen to the Planet Suite by the composer Holst and try to recreate it in music and art. In maths we will be revising all four operations and the written methods to use for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations.*  
**Words of the Fortnight:** *Appreciate, Attached*

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**Year 6:** *Could robots replace teachers? That is the question Year 6 will be exploring next week and pupils will be writing a letter to Mr Goodwin to explain whether they agree. In Maths, Year 6 will immerse themselves in the world of fractions, including adding, multiplying and dividing.*  
**Words of the Fortnight:** *Persuasive*

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## Red Book

Due to the Harvest Festival this morning, stickers will be awarded next week for those children who have been recognised in the red book. All names will be listed on next week's Friday Flyer.

## Bognor Regis in Bloom

We are delighted to confirm that we have been awarded the **Silver Gilt** and **Winner** in the 'Best Vegetable Plot at a school' category. Two of our keen Eco Club participants, Jessica R (Y6) and Katie E (Y6), attended the awards ceremony last night accompanied by Mrs Austin and Mrs Jan. Well done to all the children who worked on the vegetable plot during Eco Club last year. Some photos from the evening are on our Facebook page today.



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