



# SOUTHTRIDGE FIRST SCHOOL

## MARCH (2) 2019



**Science Week** - Last week there was an air of excitement around school as the children enjoyed a range of activities in Science Week and also had the opportunity to try out the climbing wall.

Year 3 were excited about making a 'Rainbow Walk' and linked it to their learning about primary colours and mixing in art!



They also managed to get a pencil to pierce all the way through a bag of water... no leaks!

'I can't believe this works... it's MAGIC!'



In Year 1 the children have patiently watched and waited for their duck eggs to hatch and were rewarded this week as 4 ducklings emerged.

**Computing 4 Kids workshops** - during the next few weeks all of our children will have the opportunity to work with Vicky and develop their coding skills.

### World Book Day

We saw some excellent characters arriving on the playground - Harry Potter, Little Red Riding Hood and even the BFG!

The children enjoyed swapping their books and completing reading activities. This was also a good link to our school priority of writing as we reinforced the importance of 'reading to become a writer'



**Well done** to the choir and violinists who performed at our Musical Celebration. Our very talented children enjoyed performing to an audience and we are very proud of them. all.



**Year 3** loved working with the Red House Ramble group to plant a variety of wild flower seeds that will be shared between their garden and our school grounds once they have grown.



### Comic Relief -

Our children were amazing during our 'Clubbercise Challenge'

All the staff joined in the fun and Mr O'Hara certainly won the prize for the best staff outfit in his pink tutu and leg warmers!

We raised **£512.95** which has been donated to Comic Relief.



### Attendance - last half-term

#### Attendance Cup Winners



#### Attendance Stars



Week 7: Mrs Smith's class

Week 7: Year 4

Week 8: Mrs McIntosh's class

Week 8: Year 1

Week 9: Mrs McIntosh's class

Week 9: Year 4



**Bags 2 School** - thank you for your donations. The total raised was £170.

**Reminder:**

**Mother's Day Gift Shop** - will be open on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Children may bring £3 in a named envelope if they wish to buy a gift for their Mum.

**A Disco** will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March in the school hall

Year 1 and 2 are invited to attend at 5pm -6pm.

Year 3 and 4 at 6.15pm - 7.15pm.

£3 entry on the door, with a little bit of extra money for the tuck shop.



**Summer Uniform Reminder** - After the holidays we move in to the summer term.

Our school colours are maroon and grey

Blouse/Shirt or polo shirt	White
V-neck Sweater or cardigan	Maroon
Sweatshirt	Maroon
Trousers	Grey
Skirt/pinafore	Grey
Shoes - flat	Black
Socks	Grey or white
Summer Dress -optional	Blue stripe
Shorts	Grey

Hairbands - plain, slim line headbands in dark colours. **Earrings should not be worn in school**

Uniform is available to purchase from Anne Thomas Workwear in Whitley Bay.



**Reminders for events coming up -**

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March:**

Year 1 and 2 Spring Assembly 9.15am

Year 3 and 4 Spring Assembly 2.30pm

**PLEASE NOTE** - 1 adult per family. (We have 2 year groups, 120 children, performing at each assembly so space is limited)

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March:**

Year 3 Dodgeball Competition

Year 4 Skipping Festival (am)

Year 4 'Be safe' workshop (pm)

Year 1 Kirkley Hall visit

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April** - Year 4 (Mrs McIntosh/Ms

Young's class) leave for High Borran

Year 2 (Mrs Smiths Class) visit to synagogue

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** - Year 4 (Mr Harrington's

class) leave for High Borran

Year 2 SATs meeting for parents

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**

Year 2 (Miss McIntyre's class) visit to synagogue

Year 3 visit to Hindu Temple

Break up for Easter holidays.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

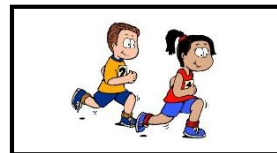
Children return to school

**THANK YOU** for returning your parent questionnaires. These will be collated by office staff and the analysis will be on our website by the start of next term.

**Local Elections** - a reminder that our school is a polling station during any elections.

**Therefore Nursery will be closed on 2<sup>nd</sup> May as the Nursery mobile is used as a polling station.**

However, our main building and the rest of school will be open on polling days.



**Please remember to bring your P.E. kits back to school straight after the Easter holidays** for our Mile a Day initiative. We will be joining all schools in North Tyneside in the 'Daily Mile - one year on' campaign on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April.