

Dear parents and carers,

What a wonderful, final week we have had for this half term!

Tanzanian Links

With Mr Hansen and Mrs Russell in Tanzania, working with the teachers in our link school, we have all held 'Tanga Time' in our classrooms, reading their blog and looking at the daily updates on our Twitter feed which has been very exciting. We have also been able to link up 'live' with them to interact with the children at the school. This has been amazing and we can't wait to hear more about their trip when they return.



Serving uji to the children at Chumbageni

French Links

Continuing our international links, we have had teachers from Jules Ferry School in France visiting us. The teachers have been in the classrooms, observing lessons and supporting the children with their learning. They presented an assembly to the children about their school, the area they live in and their culture which the children were very interested to hear about. I love how Year 2 were talking about the tooth fairy and how they learnt that in France it's a little mouse that takes away the tooth and leaves a gift. We are looking forward to working with the teachers and the school in the future to make links between our two schools through our teaching and learning.



Enjoying reading with our French visitors

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

Your child will have brought home with them (yesterday) a letter and a form to create a Christmas design at home that can be turned into Christmas cards, gift tags and, this year, mugs! If you wish your child to create a design, then please pay for your order directly on line using the details on the form then send the form and artwork to school by **Wednesday 7th November**.

Hockey Festival

Last Monday, a group of Year 3 and 4 children travelled to The Chase to participate in a hockey tournament involving over 18 teams including our two teams. After many successful goals and brilliant teamwork, our gold team managed to get to the final. Then, with help from all our team we managed to win a place in the county finals becoming Worcestershire West Quicksticks Hockey Festival Winners.

by Erin and Lexie Year 4

On Monday, this week, a group of Lower Key Stage 2 children went to a hockey tournament at the Chase with about 18 other teams. The red team played against another five teams in their group and won all of them. The best thing about the tournament was getting into the semi-finals and playing our best.

By Eddie and Evie Year 4



Our hockey teams ready for action!

Reception at Malvern Vale

What a superb start our first ever class have had in their brand new school! The 13 children have settled really well and it feels as though they are now part of the furniture! The first term has been 'All About Me' where we have been thinking about what they can do to be clean and healthy. The class particularly enjoyed the Funnybones story and now ask for my famous 'Dem Bones' song and dance everyday. We have visited our friends at Somers Park a few times too and joined in with their forest school area and have had fun doing some caterpillar crafts. Next term will continue to be exciting as we start preparations for our very first Christmas Nativity! Remember to pop over to visit us on Tuesday 20th November 5-7pm when we open the doors to you all to come and have a look inside. Have a well rested half term everyone!

Mrs Price



Enjoying learning in Reception!

Reception at Somers Park

Wow! Who would have thought it was nearly 8 weeks ago that we were greeted with 56 lovely little people, ready to learn and eager to make new friends. They have already begun to read and write, and have adapted well to the rules and routines of school life. The children already love to complete Rainbow Challenges, and are very excited to start the Golden Challenge. Mrs. Simpson and Miss. Ward are very excited to watch the children become engaged in the festive activities after the half-term holidays! Let the glitter begin....

Reception Team

Upcoming FOSP Events @ SP

Adults Quiz and Curry Night - Friday 16th
November 7:30pm
School Discos - Friday 30th November
Y1,2,3 at 6-7pm Y4,5,6 at 7:15-8:30pm
Uniform Sale - Friday 7th December
Christmas Raffle - December

Key Stage 1 at Somers Park

What a fantastic start to the school year! The children are coming in independently in the morning with big smiles, ready to learn. They have settled quickly into their new routines and face each new challenge with resilience and determination. All the teachers are very proud of what the children have achieved this half term and have enjoyed getting to know their new class.

Key Stage One Team

Key Stage 2 at Somers Park

We have had an amazing first half term in Key Stage 2 with great learning taking place across the curriculum. Studying ancient civilisations and prehistoric times in History and the human body, electricity and changes in materials in Science, the children have developed their knowledge and understanding. The children continue to work hard in Maths and English each day. All of the children have met authors this half term and have been able to read their books which has been brilliant to observe and discuss with them. We look forward to next half term.

We wish good luck to those children in Y5 and Y6 who are singing at the Genting Arena for the 'Lest We Forget' concert on Saturday 3rd November. We look forward to hearing all about it!

Key Stage Two Team

May I remind you that this will be the final paper version of the newsletter. From now on, you will receive it via email so make sure you check your inbox each Friday for the latest news.

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to wish you a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you on **Monday 5th November**, when we return, with your 'Make or Bake' projects which we can't wait to discuss to see what creations you have been conjuring up in the kitchen!

Best wishes

Michelle 

Michelle Everett
Assistant Head



Finding fractions in Y2