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Dear Parents,

01/03/24

It is hard to believe we have reached the beginning of March but it is lovely to see the first signs of spring with daffodils and other bulbs all around the school grounds. I am sure we are all looking forward to some spring sunshine and less rain!

Parents Meeting

On the week commencing Monday 18th March we have our spring term parent meetings and teachers will be inviting you to make an appointment with them. Please do use this opportunity to find out how your children are doing at school along with helpful suggestions of next steps in their learning. As you can imagine it is quite a task to meet every parent so each session can only be 10 minutes long. If you have something that will require a longer discussion then please make a separate appointment with the class teacher outside of this week. Over the past few years we have had a number of 'no shows' for appointments so please ensure if you book a slot, to attend that session or talk to the class teacher in advance about rescheduling. Thank you in advance for your support with this and I hope you find these sessions useful. In the summer term you will receive your child's annual report.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainability and nature we will be joining in with the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel event from Monday 11th March to Friday 22nd March. We will be encouraging children to come to school in a sustainable way and avoiding the car. We will be holding lots of fun activities over the fortnight around scooting, cycling and walking. We will be recording how children come to school each morning and entering this onto the Sustrans website with lots of chances for our school to win some great prizes so it would be great to see everyone joining in. We will provide further details about this event next week.



World Book Day - Thursday 7th March 2024

As you will have seen from the separate letter which was sent home before half term, on Thursday 7th March we would like the children to dress up as their favourite storybook character for World Book Day. To reflect the school ethos and our 'NATURE' values we would encourage you to get creative with costumes! By designing your own unique and homemade World Book Day costume we are also helping the environment by not buying new items! As part of World Book Day we are excited to be holding a book fair at school from 25th March 2024 (Timings and more details to be confirmed nearer the time). *The children will be receiving a £1 book token today.* This can be used online, in store or at the book fair. Simply take your £1 book token to your nearest bookseller. You can find your nearest bookseller at <https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/books/participating-retailers/> We look forward to seeing the children's creativity in their costumes and hearing about their favourite books.

Many thanks for your ongoing support.



Romar Sports

Our girls football teams were very lucky to have Ricky from Romar Sports into school this week to run our lunchtime football club.

Our U9 and U11 teams will be having 5 weeks of Romar Sessions on a Wednesday lunchtime.

If this is something your child would like to be part of then please email

Sports@southmoltonprimary.devon.sch.uk



I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Parkin

Upcoming Events

After School Clubs Monday 26th Feb - Thursday 28th Mar 2024

World Book Day Thursday 7th March

Non Electricity Day Friday 8th March

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel Monday 11th - 22nd March

Parents Evenings Monday 18th - 22nd March

Last Day of Term Thursday 28th March

First Day of Term Monday 15th April

Bikeability Y3/4 22nd - 23rd April

Year 3 PGL 1st - 3rd of May

Year 5 Dartmoor Residential 7th - 9th May

Year 4 Pinkery Pond Residential 8th - 10th May

Non Uniform Day and Bake Sale Friday 24th May

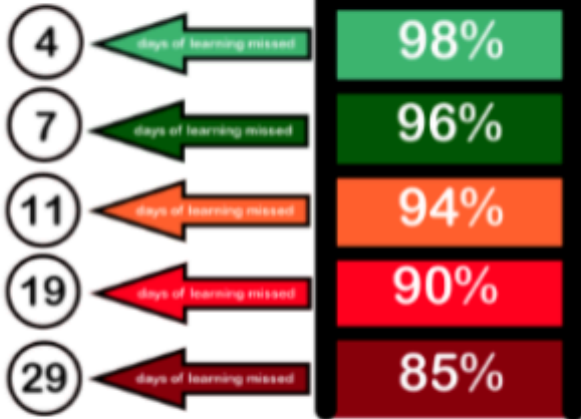
Ks1 Sports Day is Friday 21st June PM

Ks2 Sports Day is Friday 28th June AM and PM



Attendance

In a school year, this equates to:



Children's attendance matters - It is every child's right to receive an education.

Our aim is for childrens attendance to be 96% of more to help them reach their full potential.

This weeks attendance: **91.61%**

Children arriving after registration at 8:45am will be classed in our registers as 'Late'. All late children must report to the office to register.

School finishes at 3:15pm however if something unexpected happens and you're running late, please let us know to make arrangements for your child. We offer a breakfast and after school club everyday allowing you to book your children in if you are not able to collect them at 3:15pm.



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