



**SOUTH BOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Friday 17th June 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow! Here we are already knocking on the door to the end of the year. Term 6 is traditionally one of the busiest terms in primary schools, rounding off learning and assessment for this academic year whilst frantically planning for the next. Already this term looks set to be no exception. During the last few weeks, Year 1 and 2 children have worked hard to complete their Phonics Screening Checks and Year 4 their multiplication table check. Yesterday, Reception children had a great time on their trip to Leeds Castle and earlier in the week some Year 5 and 6 children represented our school at local football and netball tournaments. Well done to all involved!

On Wednesday, we had the pleasure of welcoming our New Year R children and parents for the first time. Lots of information was shared at the meeting, including arrangements for September. If you were not able to attend, please pop into the school office and collect your pack. Other documentation can be found on this part of the [school website](#).

This week, we have also welcomed 2 new teaching assistants to our team. Miss Nott has joined us to work in Year 3 and Miss McDonald has become a permanent member of staff in Year 4. Welcome to the team!

A reminder to parents that the FOSB Summer Fete is coming up on Saturday 25th June from 1-4pm. I've heard on the grape vine that I am lined up to get soaked in the stocks. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for you! So I urge you all to come along, dig deep and enjoy the very temporary privilege of getting your own back on me!

Thanks as always for your unwavering support. Today has been a scorcher - so please stay safe in the sun!

Mathew Currie  
Head of School

## Read Write Inc Phonics

Following our recent introduction to Read Write Inc Phonics session for parents, we thought it would be useful to share some short video clips. These clips will be useful for all parents to watch as they show the key aspects of how we teach phonics in school. This in turn will help you to support your child with their reading development at home.

What is Read Write Inc - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjIPILhk7bQ>

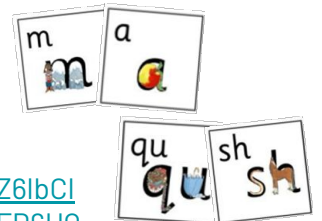
Understanding Phonics - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bXOJUPNVnLc>

How to say Pure Sounds - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q>

Reading with your child - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iHMI70ZmxlQ>

Reading the stretchy sounds with your child - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XsrMZZ6lbCI>

Reading the bouncy sounds with your child - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ui5UXEFD6UQ>



Have a watch! There will be a range of parent workshops scheduled throughout next academic year to provide additional support for parents on how to support with the teaching of reading.

## REMINDERS:

**CLASS PHOTOS**  
22nd June

**SUMMER FETE**  
25th June

**SPORTS DAY**  
28th June

**ART EXHIBITION**  
8th July

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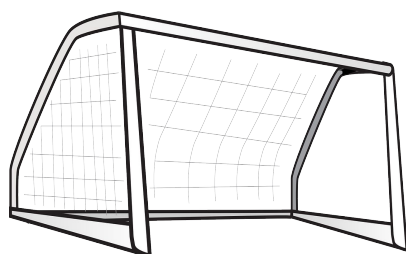
## Sport at South Borough

### Year 5/6 Football team

A huge well done to the Year 5 and 6 football team who made it to the quarterfinals during their tournament on Monday. Unfortunately, they were unable to make it through to the semi-finals after a last minute winning goal. They should be immensely proud of their achievements this week and throughout the year. They have represent South Borough Primary School with exemplary behaviour and commitment throughout.

### Year 4/5/6 Netball team

A huge well done to the children who played in the netball team during their tournament on Thursday. The children came third out of six other schools! All the children should be extremely proud of themselves, they worked extremely hard, especially in yesterday's heat. They represented South Borough Primary School with fantastic sportsmanship and persevered until the very end!



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**Congratulations to all of our winners!**

## Week Ending 10/06/2022

### Nursery

Aryan A & Olivia C

Reception Green

Marni C & Layton P

Reception Red

Lexi B & Mick M

### Year 1B

Malak D & Lukas M

### Year 1H

Kaan S & Israel K

### Year 2Wa

Pearl N & David C

### Year 2Wr

Matthew L & Alexander S

### Year 3F

Chriel G & Zain R

### Year 3S

Jaden T & Ella T

### Year 4B

Saanvika S & Teo E

### Year 4C

Jeremi S & Plamen D

### Year 4N

Alesha S & Freddie-Lee T

### Year 5A

Serena C & Willow S

### Year 5C

Matas J & Grace A

### Year 5P

Carlos C & Natalia M

### Year 6S

Sophia S & Robin L

### Year 6W

Kaylee-May M & Sapphire B

## Week Ending 17/06/2022

### Nursery

Ewaoluwa O & Charles H

Reception Green

Adele T & Franek S

Reception Red

Whole Class

### Year 1B

Rayan T & Alara A

### Year 1H

Zaid A & Bonnie C

### Year 2Wa

Zara J & Ridhush V

### Year 2Wr

Billy M & Ayah A

### Year 3F

Taqwa R N & Michalina P

### Year 3S

Amelia H & Tommy I

### Year 4B

Geovana de M & Hareem A

### Year 4C

Sienna C & Harrison C

### Year 4N

Taharat T & Kyle S

### Year 5A

Elisson L & Julia S

### Year 5C

Vinul G & Surraya G

### Year 5P

Sofia PF & Keida X

### Year 6S

George L & Antora S

### Year 6W

Asma A & Hollie H





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### Nursery

Welcome back and to Term 6. Our topic this term is pirates.

We have started our pirate topic with the story of, 'The Pirate-Cruncher', written by Jonny Duddle. The children have enjoyed speaking like pirates by saying phrases, "ahoy", "matey", "shiver me timbers!", and "walk the plank".



In our role play area, we have a giant pirate ship! We have loved dressing up as pirates and setting sail to find some treasure. On the messy table we have made eye patches and swords. We have designed our own pirate flags and pirate ships. Outside, we have been digging for treasure in the mud!



In Mathematics, we have counted forwards to 10 and backwards from 5. We have used cubes, magnetic fish, golden coins, jewels and playdough coins to help us with counting.



In Phonics, we have been singing Nursery rhymes, participated in Fred games and focused on the story of, 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. Please [click here](https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/early-reading-skills-age-3-4/) for more information about Fred Games. For more information on supporting your child at home with Phonics, please visit this website:

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Some children have started learning sounds. They have learnt the sounds; m, a, s and d.



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### Reception

This week we've been jumping aboard our new topic for the term; Pirates! We've enjoyed reading the 'Pirate cruncher' by Jonny Duddle, and practiced walking the plank and sailing the seas on our pirate ship. We've spent our time outside digging for buried treasure, trying out some pirate yoga, and looking through our telescopes and drawing the fabulous islands we can see.



In maths we've been learning about spatial words for shape, space and position. We've been using instructions to direct our friends to make cube structures, and drawing maps using the new vocabulary we've learnt such as 'left', 'right', 'over the top' or 'through'.



We had a big event this week - Our school trip! We went to Leeds Castle as part of Term 5's topic; Kings, Queens, Princes and Princesses.

We took part in a nature trail looking out for all the wonderful wildlife in their grounds and gardens, then visited the castle and checked to see if there were any Kings and Queens still in residence! We had our lunch beside the falconry, then somehow found our way through the maze!

We then finished the day in the Knight's stronghold playground before heading back to meet the coach.



We really enjoyed our trip and had such a fantastic day exploring the castle and grounds! Well done to all of Reception for their excellent behaviour which made us so proud! A huge thank you as well to all the staff and parent helpers involved who made this trip possible. Please take a look at google classroom to see more photos of our trip!

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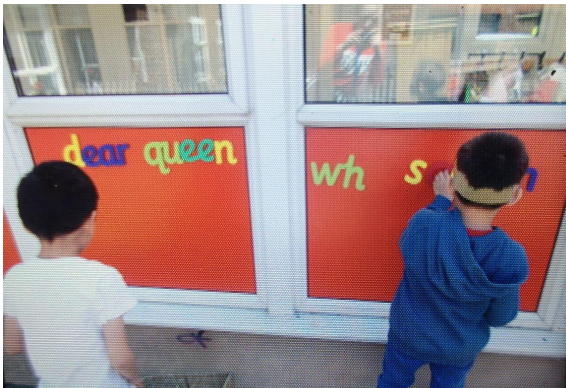
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## CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

### Year 1

It has been a busy start to Term 6 in Year 1. Now that the weather is improving, Year 1 have been enjoying taking their learning outside and making use of our outdoor area. We have been enjoying watering our plants and observing the changes as they grow. We have also been building words in our phonics area to practise reading real and nonsense words.



As our topic this term is space, we have imagined what space would be like if we were to visit and have created our own space pictures using chalk to draw the sun and moon, as well as different stars and planets. We have also been learning about the order and names of the planets in our solar system. The Astronomy Roadshow also visited us this week and learnt about the constellations and the sky at night. We also watched the first moon landing that happened in 1969!

In English, we have been reading Beegu. We acted out different parts of the story and then retold the story practising our writing in the past tense and using time adverbials such as firstly, secondly, next, then, etc.

In Maths we have been focusing on numbers within 100, finding 1 more and 1 less and also 10 more and 10 less. We have also been partitioning numbers into tens and ones and then have compared numbers to see which is greater and which is less.

We have also been exploring our senses in Science and using our understanding of taste, smell, touch, hearing and sight to investigate different objects.



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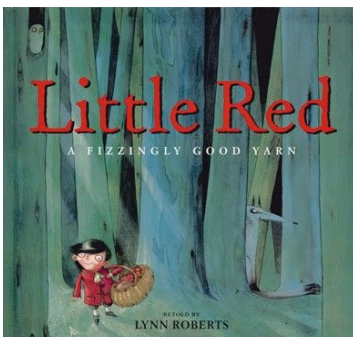
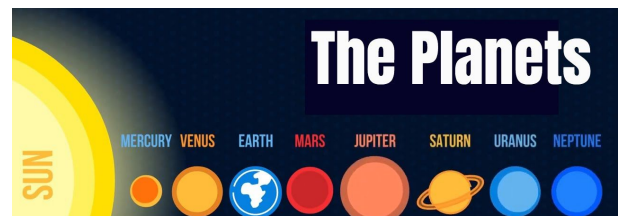
### Year 2

This week Year 2 have started looking at the story Little Red Riding Hood. They have read a couple of different versions of the story, acted out the story using masks and come up with their own version of the story. The children have also begun to read a different version of the story called Little Red, where Little Red is a boy. We are hoping to look at a few more different versions of this story so if you have one at home please bring it in to show!

In maths this week, we have been looking at representing data in different ways. We started the week by looking at tally charts and will be moving on to exploring pictograms and bar charts.

In History, the children have also been looking at changes to life in the UK over time. We compared life in 1922 to the current day focusing on how children's lives may have been different in the past.

On Thursday this week, the Year 1 and 2 children had a very exciting afternoon. South Borough invited the astrodome to visit. The children got to observe constellation and listen to our visitor tell them all about space. We even had the chance to watch Neil Armstrong on the moon! When we were not in the astrodome we were looking at the order of the planets, making our own rockets and looking at how we could make a constellation.



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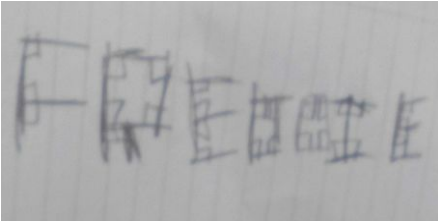
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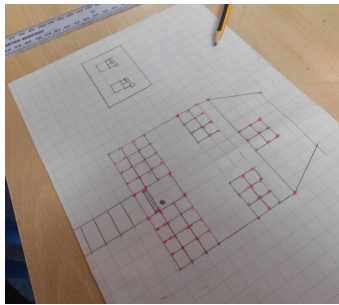
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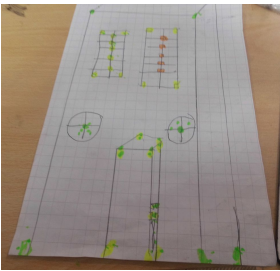
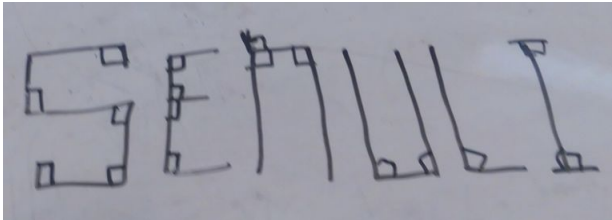
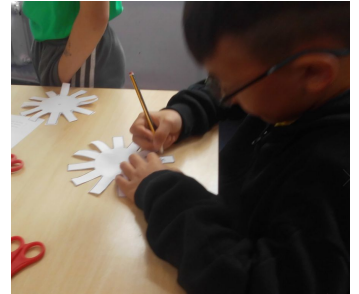
### Year 3



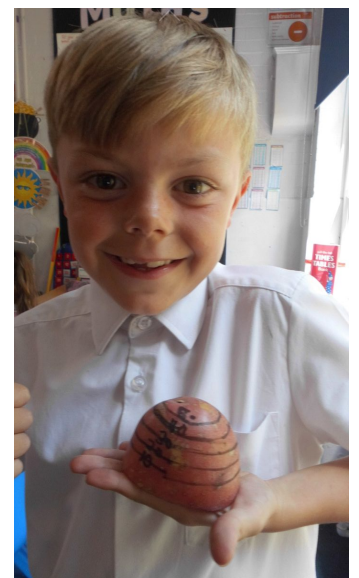
Within Maths lessons we have been focusing on shape. Looking at different lines and angles.



During computing lessons we have been studying the history of stop motion, creating our very own Thaumatropes and Zoetropes.



We have had a lot of fun in our Geography lessons learning all about landmass and contours on a map. Our favourite lesson involved potatoes!







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### Year 4

Year 4 have made an excellent start to Term 6!

Over the last 2 weeks the children have been exploring the text 'Escape from Pompeii' and began to write a narrative based on the text. The children have tried extremely hard to use ambitious vocabulary in their writing and use dialogue to really interest the reader. We have also been continuing with our class text, Charlotte's Web and the children are really enjoying reading together.

In Maths we have revised and completed our times table checks, we are really proud of the children for completing them with such maturity. We have also begun our new topic of shape, we have explored right angles, acute angles and obtuse angles.

In Computing the children enjoyed researching the weather and then recording their own weather forecasts, using green screens to transform their background! Have a look at the presentations on Google Classroom.

In Science, the children have been continuing their learning about the digestive system by recreating the stomach, small intestine and large intestine in the classroom, with very interesting results!

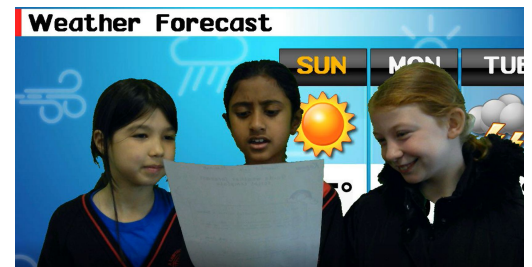
4B and 4N were extremely brave this week and thoroughly enjoyed their first swimming lesson! The children moved out of their comfort zones to try something new and really enjoyed themselves.



Weather Forecast



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### Year 5

Year 5 have made an amazing start to Term 6!

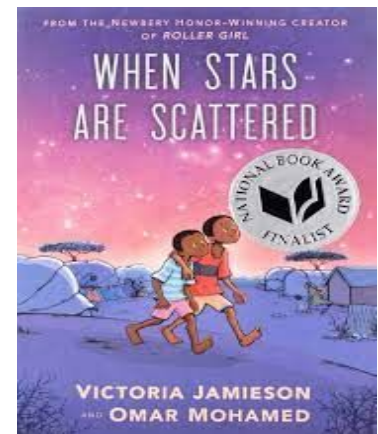
Over the past couple of weeks, we have begun reading a book called 'When stars are scattered' by Victoria Jameson and Omar Mohamed. Through this, we are going to be writing a letter of advice to the main character Omar to help in his dilemma of whether or not he should choose to go to school.

Our maths learning has focused on reading and plotting on grids using coordinates. We are moving onto reflecting and translating shapes in quadrants.

Continuing on with our 'Animals Including Human' topic in Science, we are combining some of our Science and PSHE work as we look at puberty and how our bodies change as we grow up.

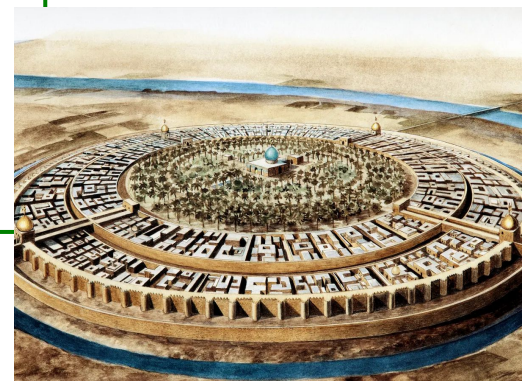
PE this term is on a Tuesday and Friday for 5C and 5A and on Wednesday and Friday for 5P. The children are working on their athletic skills with the new coaches in preparation for Sports Day, as well as looking at some other paralympic sports in the other session.

In History this term, we are starting to learn about the Early Islamic Civilisation as our unit of work on world history and the children have already shown a real interest in their learning. We have begun to learn about the ancient city of Baghdad and what daily life was like there.



#### Lesson: Reflection, Rotation, and Translation

- Reflection is flipping an object
- Rotation is rotating an object
- Translation is sliding an object







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### Year 6

It has been another busy couple of weeks in Year 6, but the children have (as always) been absolutely fantastic!

They have produced **TWO** excellent extended pieces of writing; an informative text about the circulatory system (which they are all now experts on) and an extended narrative based on the Walt Disney Short Film: Paperman. [Click here if you would like to view the video.](#)

Alongside this, both classes have been doing extensive preparation for the Year 6 performance, Olivia. It has been an absolute pleasure to work alongside the children as they develop and adapt into their roles. We have been impressed by the teamwork and support that the children have demonstrated in rehearsal times - ensuring that their classmates feel comfortable and confident to perform.

The children have also enjoyed the opportunity to continue reading our class text, Kick. The story is about a poor Indonesian child who has aspirations of becoming a professional football player!

