

ENJOY LEARNING:
EMBRACE CHALLENGE!

SOUTH DARLEY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



Celebrating our Week

Friday 22nd December 2023

Infants - Looking forward to next term

Next term in the infants we will be looking at 'Beautiful India?', deliberately posed as a question as we will be looking at many aspects of life in India, some good and some not so good. This will tie in nicely with Mrs Downes' visit to Kolkata so we hope many children follow her blog and ask interesting questions – we may even be able to have a live link! We will look at Indian geography and cultural experiences, will look at rangoli patterns, creating our own, and make an elephant mobile. In Science we will be exploring changes in materials, whilst we will be animating with shape in computing. We will also be continuing our white rose maths units, be dancing in PE, and understanding what a Hindu is in RE.



Upper Juniors-Looking forward to next term



Next term our new topic will be, 'World on a Plate'. We will be exploring different countries of the world, where they are located and what food they produce. Linking to this, we will be looking at food miles and land use in different countries.

In Science our topic will be 'Living things and their habitats' where the children will be growing new plants from clippings, as well as looking at the work of Jane Goodall. They will also be classifying plants and exploring micro-organisms. Linked to our topic, 'World on a Plate' we will be exploring New York specifically by reading, 'King Kong' and 'The Man who walked between the towers' which is a true story based on Philippe Petit, a French high-wire artist.



Lower Juniors-Looking forward to next term



Next term, in Science we will be starting

with the unit 'Living Things and their Habitats' where we will be looking at ways to classify and group living things, before moving on to 'Plants' where we will be exploring life cycles of plants and the parts of a flower. In Maths, we will be focusing on Multiplication and Division written methods, fractions and length and area. Our Topic will be, 'World on a Plate'. We will be locating different countries on maps and identifying different foods that are commonly eaten there. We will also be understanding how foods are produced, understanding what raw materials are used to make foods and understanding the distribution of natural resources. We will be working towards a Food Fair, where the children will have a chance to make foods from a variety of different countries. In Literacy, we will be exploring the texts 'Welcome to our World: A Celebration of Children Everywhere' and 'James and the Giant Peach'.



Courtesy Cup

The Courtesy Cup is normally awarded to one child from infants and Juniors at the end of the term in recognition of their continued impeccable manners, politeness and courtesy to others at all times around school. This term the Courtesy Cup has been awarded to Edwin for the Juniors and Joshua for the Infants.

Congratulations to both.



House Points

Haddon - 75

Riber— 71

Chatsworth— 106

**House Points Prize Winners—
Safiya & Mina**

**Termly House Points Prize
Winner— Garin.**

**Charity donation decided by
Garin— Ashgate Hospice**

**Thank you to FOSDS who
arranged for Santa to deliver
some extra presents to pupils**



Talent Show Winners

Well done to our winners, Margot (singing), Nicholas (Magic), Matthew & Takuma (Rubiks cube solving) and Ellie, Elsie, Jasmine & Tayla (song and Dance).

Well done to Jessie who won the table decoration competition.

What's on WC 8th January 2024	
Mon 8th	First day of Term
Tues 9th	Individual violin lessons with Mrs Basford Sportshall Athletics Y5/6 selected children only Highfields Lumsdale 9.30am. Parental help with transport required.
Weds 10th	Little Darlings Toddler Group 10.30am—12 noon. All
Thurs 11th	
Fri 12th	Forest School Y4 PM. Please dress appropriately for the weather & location. Remainder of year groups PE.

Governors Award

The Governors Award is given to a child by the Governors following nominations by teachers in order to give special recognition to a child who has performed particularly well in any aspect of school life.



The award for Infants has been awarded to William M for personal development and maturity.



The award for Lower Juniors has been awarded to Thomas. He has shown a fantastic attitude in all areas of school life. He has taken the move up to Juniors in his stride and tried his best in everything.



The award for Upper Juniors has been awarded to Mina. Mina has displayed a fantastic attitude, being really responsible and rising to the challenge of being a Year 6.

A big thank you to our parent community for raising £150 for St Mary's Church through the Nativity Service Collection.

Juniors enjoying party games during this weeks PE Lesson



The Infant Class enjoying their Christmas Dinner

