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EMBRACE CHALLENGE!

SOUTH DARLEY C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

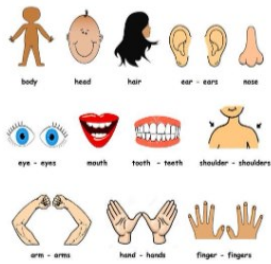


Celebrating our Week

Friday 19th & Tuesday 23rd July 2023

Infants - Looking forward to next term

The infants' topic for the first half term will be 'Incredible Me!' We will be naming and finding out about human body parts, including how we change with age and how our senses help us to interpret the world around us. We will think about different needs that people may have and design pizzas for groups of children that cater for their preferences and any dietary requirements. Children will have the opportunity to create a family tree and a timeline of their lives so far as well as thinking about things they are looking forward to being able to do in the future. We will look at maps of



our local area and also see how far around the world the children have family links. We will be studying the portrait work of Andy Warhol and creating our own self portraits in his style using colours that best reflect our personalities and the things that are special to us.

This week we have said farewell to Year 6 as they move onto the next stage of their education. They did a fantastic job in their 'Leavers' Service and have been a great asset to our school. We wish them the best of luck in all they do in the future and a big thank you for all our lovely gifts. Have a great summer.



Reminder: Inset days for 2024/25 are Monday 4th November 2024, Monday 2nd December 2024, Monday 6th January 2025, Monday 24th February 2025 and Monday 2nd June 2025. The first day of term is Wednesday 4th September 2024.

Upper and Lower Juniors-Looking forward to next term

In Year 5 and 6 we will be doing a history-based theme about the Vikings and Anglo-Saxons looking at historical evidence to explore the impact these groups of people had on daily life. We will be reading the book 'The Warrior Troll' by Rachael Lindsay and we will be also be looking at different versions of the epic poem 'Beowulf'. Throughout this work we will be writing narratives in the style of Rachael Lindsay and using inspiration from Beowulf, we will also be writing hero myths. As well as this we will write be writing instructions, a discussion text and creating our own troll dictionaries. Our first topic in the new year will be place value in maths and in science we will be starting with the 'Light' topic. The children will be looking at how light travels, reflection and refraction as well as making their own periscopes. For the second half of the term the children will be exploring the topic of Materials and their properties. In Art the children will be creating their own Viking jewellery and helmets. Year 3 and 4 science and topic – The children will be exploring sound and carrying out different experiments to find out about vibrations. They will be looking at different instruments and how to make



a low and high pitch sound. The second half of the first term will be the electricity topic where they will be exploring simple circuits and experimenting with the equipment.

Our theme will be 'Our DNA' and we will be focusing on the Vikings and Anglo-Saxon and the impact they had on daily life. We will be finding out about their place in History and where and how they invaded Britain.



Courtesy Cup

The Courtesy Cup is normally awarded to one child from Infants and Juniors at the end of term in recognition of their continued impeccable manners, politeness and courtesy to others at all times around school. Summer term Courtesy Cup winners are Charlie and William M.



Attendance Awards

Congratulations to Alice, Arlo and William H who received Gold Attendance Certificates for attaining 100% attendance during the last academic year.

Well done to Elsie, Arnie, Leia, Etta, Olivia, Margot, Rosa and James who received a Silver Attendance Certificate for attaining above 99% attendance during the last academic year.



Oyster Cup 2023

The Oyster Cup is awarded for progress in Literacy. This year the award goes to Eleanor Cubitt for outstanding progress and achievement in Literacy. Ellie has a fantastic reading and writing ability that shows throughout all her work. Congratulations Ellie.



The Kevin Dean Community Contribution Shield

The Shield, is awarded to an individual from the school or the local community who has gone above and beyond, making an outstanding and/or inspiring contribution to the school or the Parish of South Darley or wider community. This year it is awarded to Edward Lowry who raised £3665 for Parkinson's UK through sponsored walks. Last May alone Ed walked 62 miles in the Lake District, climbing 14,000 feet in 4.5 days. Ed thanks all who have donated.



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 the Infants has been presented to Rosa, for her consistently positive approach to her work and generous attitude to other children.



The award for Lower Juniors has been presented to Isabela, for the hard work she has put into this year, especially for the effort she put into her times tables.

The award for Upper Juniors has been presented to Safiya, for her consistent hard work, effort and helpfulness towards the younger children.



Sports Day and House Points Winners 2024

Well done to Chatsworth House, our overall Sports Day winners for the third year running. The children had a great time at Sports Day competing against their rival houses. We must, of course, thank Darley Dale Cricket Club for allowing us to use their facilities, every Friday during the Summer Term and for Sports Day itself.



Well done to all our children for their fabulous efforts in earning house points throughout the year. Well done to Libby, our termly winner whose charity of choice was The Red Cross. Our overall House Points Winners this year were Riber. Congratulations to all our Riber pupils.

House Points

Haddon— 2278

Riber—2326

Chatsworth— 2268