



Newsletter 36 – 26th June 2026

DAY	WHAT'S ON
MONDAY 29TH JUNE	- Mr Bateman Music Lessons - Sports Club 3.15-4.30pm pick up at the field weather permitting. - ASC 3.15-5.15
TUESDAY 30TH JUNE	- Move up Day 1 and New Reception 1st Intake Morning - Some Year 6 to Farmor's - Chess Club at lunchtime 5 & 6 Water Safety - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY	- Forest School Rec, Year 1 & Year 5 - Mr Meade's last lessons today. - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm - KS2 French Club 3.15-4.15pm
THURSDAY 2ND JULY	- Area Athletics for qualifiers bring a packed lunch. 3.15pm pick up at the Field, Cricket Club 3.15-4.15pm collection from Field - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm - Pick up after 4.15pm is from School
FRIDAY 3RD JULY	- Year 4&5 Girls Active at Kingshill bring packed lunch. - Musical Mania - Southrop Sculpture Show from 3.00pm.
MONDAY 6TH JULY	- Mr Bateman Music Lessons - PTA Colour Run 1.00pm at the field - Sports Club 3.15-4.30pm pick up at the field weather permitting. - ASC 3.15-5.15
TUESDAY 7TH JULY	- Move up Day 2 and New Reception 2nd Intake Morning - Chess Club at lunchtime 5 & 6 Water Safety - Year 3 & 4 Book Club 3.00-3.30pm - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm
WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY	- Forest School Whole Cygnet - Year 5&6 Book Club 3.00-3.30pm - ASC 3.15-4.15 & 4.15-5.15pm - KS2 French Club 3.15-4.15pm
THURSDAY 9TH JULY	Sports Day on the Field at 1.00pm
FRIDAY 10TH JULY	- Reports out to parents on the Portal - Musical Mania

Coming up 14th July Swan Class Play 1.45pm at the hall, 16th July Leavers' Service 1.00pm in church, 17th July end of Term 1.30pm

Stars of the Week

All the pupils and staff for managing so well in the extreme heat.

Message from Miss Davies

As we come to the end of an exceptionally hot week, I would like to thank everyone in our school community for their understanding, patience and support during the period of extreme weather.

A special thank you goes to Miss Davis, The Baynes', The Roberts' and The Patten-Raikes', who kindly provided ice creams and lollies for the children. Their thoughtful generosity brought plenty of smiles and helped everyone stay a little cooler.

I appreciate that the decision to close the Cygnets and shutting early was an extra worry for many families. The Department for Education emphasises the importance of children attending school every day to support their learning, wellbeing and future success. We fully share that commitment and will always strive to keep the school open wherever it is safe and practical to do so. However, after carefully assessing the conditions, it became clear that temperatures in the Cygnet classroom had reached a level where they were no longer safe or suitable for teaching and learning. The wellbeing of our pupils and staff must always come first, and this week's closure was an exceptional decision made only after careful consideration of the conditions within the school.

This week has highlighted the increasing challenges schools face during periods of extreme heat. As we look to the future, we will continue exploring ways to enable the school to remain open in similar conditions. Ideas include air conditioning in key areas, earlier start and finish times, staggered school hours, and additional shaded spaces, such as canopies in the playground and on the field.

As we head into the summer term, please help us ensure that your child comes to school prepared for whatever the British weather brings! On warmer days, children should have a named water bottle, a sun hat and sun cream applied before they arrive at school (with a named bottle of sun cream if they are able to reapply it during the day). These simple items help children stay cool, hydrated and safe while enjoying outdoor learning and play. However, we all know how quickly the weather can change in the UK, so we also recommend that every child keeps a lightweight waterproof coat in their bag. Being prepared for both sunshine and showers means children can make the most of every school day, whatever the forecast.

Thank you once again for your continued support, understanding and partnership. Together, we can ensure our school is as prepared as possible for future extreme weather while continuing to provide a safe and positive environment for all our children.

Year 4 & 5 Girls Active on 3rd July

Mrs Dawson will be taking Year 4&5 girls to Kingshill School for a sports event on Friday 3rd July. The children will need to come in PE kit and bring a packed lunch. Thank you to Mrs Morris who has offered to drive the minibus.

The Year 3's keeping cool doing some capacity work in Maths this week.



Preparations are under way for the Southrop Sculpture Show on Friday 3rd July from 3.00pm



Fresh Air Sculpture Young Students Carnival of the Animals Competition

The Fresh Air Sculpture Show is inviting children from local schools and the community to become sculptors and take part in a fun mini competition. Your child can complete their entry at home or take some time next week when we are preparing our sculptures for our Southrop Sculpture Show. Whether you're a budding artist or a student under 18, this is your chance to shine—and win big in three age categories:

Up to 10 years • 11-14 years • 15-18 years

Win cash prizes – 1st prize £100, 2nd prize £30, 3rd prize £20 for each age category.

Deadline for entries: Friday 3rd July at 5pm

See <https://www.freshairsculpture.com/carnival-of-the-animals/> for further information and the entry form.



For the fourth year running the PTA are thrilled to organise a Colour Run with the Marathon! The Marathon has been an ongoing PTA event for many years. In 2023 children from the School Council requested a pop of colour to be added, which obviously we agreed to!

The Marathon is held at the Jubilee Field as part of the childrens PE lesson. Markers are placed around the field measuring a quarter of a mile. The children run round as many times as possible, tallying their laps, and we calculate how many marathons the children have completed in total! The Marathon will be held on Monday 6th July, starting after lunch. Spectators and helpers are welcome! As the Colour Run will be a feature of the Marathon, children may want to wear white t-shirts, sunglasses and also bring a towel for the car after the run. There is lots of information online about ways to protect hair or any other questions you may have about the paint.

A sponsorship form will be coming home with the children for them to gather sponsorship. This can be done per lap or a total donation amount. **There will also be a disclaimer for you to sign online in order for your child to take part safely.**

We will be using powdered paint and plan to have a few stations with a range of colours. If you would like to help throw paint at the children, or tally the laps, please let us know! We would also appreciate any squeezey washing up liquid bottles you may have!

Many thanks and we look forward to a successful and colourful event!

Southrop School PTA