

Dear parents and carers,

Friday 17 September 2021, forthcoming events for the week commencing Monday 20 September 2021			
Monday	20.9.21	8am-9am 3.30pm – 4.30pm 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club After school football with Brackley Town After school club
Tuesday	21.9.21	8am-9am 9am – 10am 10:45am 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club Guitar and Ukulele music lessons Brass music lessons After school club
Wednesday	22.9.21	8am-9am 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club After school club
Thursday	23.9.21	8am-9am 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club After school club
Friday	24.9.21	8am-9am Lunchtime Afternoon After school 3.30pm-6pm	Breakfast club Hotshots basketball – year3, 4, 5 and 6 Individual and group string lessons After school football club with Brackley Town After school club

### Friends of Southfield School (FOSS)

FOSS are the parent association for Southfield Primary School. They are the heroes who work behind the scenes arranging and fundraising for school. Over the years FOSS have supported the school in a significant number of ways, most recently by raising over £11,000 to fit out the new library!


At this week's AGM, I explained that I would like the fundraising aim for this year to be a similar figure because I want to refit the gymnasium and bring its equipment up to date. The total cost of the refit is a little over £9,500. Of course, in order to provide such brilliant support to school, FOSS needs a team of dedicated volunteers to help coordinate events, attend FOSS committee meetings and volunteer to organise events on the day they are happening. FOSS needs more members so we would love to have one parent from each year group in the school to join the committee and support FOSS. The committee is currently chaired by Matt Cowing ably supported by Matt McNally and the rest of the committee. If you'd like to find out more about what FOSS does and how it supports the school please speak to Matt Cowing via email at [friendsofsouthfieldschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofsouthfieldschool@gmail.com) or when he is in the playground.

Without an increase in membership and support from parents there is a very real risk that FOSS may have to close down; something that none of us, not least the children, want to see.

There is more FOSS news, including the date and venue for their next meeting, in their weekly update later in the newsletter.

### Student Data Forms

As mentioned in the first newsletter of the year, this afternoon we sent home the annual student data form along with two other forms that need to be checked and sent back to school. These went home in a named sealed envelope and must be returned to the office no later than Monday 27 October and preferably before that date. It is vital that we hold up to date information about your child and their emergency contacts so please thoroughly check the information we hold and get it back to us as soon as possible so we can complete any updates as necessary. Thank you.

Upcoming diary dates	Thought for the day...
<p><b>5.10.21</b> – parent update meeting in the hall  <b>18.10.21</b> – FOSS meeting  <b>22.10.21</b> – term 1 ends  <b>1.11.21</b> – INSET day  <b>2.11.21</b> – term 2 begins  <b>3.11.21</b> – flu vaccinations  <b>8, 9&amp;10.11.21</b> – parents evening  <b>25.11.21</b> – Southfield Governors AGM  <b>16.12.21</b> – Term 2 finishes  <b>17.12.21</b> – INSET day</p>	 <p>People working together in a strong community with a shared goal and a common purpose can make the impossible possible.</p> <p><small>Tom Vilsack</small></p>
<b>FOSS Updates</b>	
<p>The next FOSS committee meeting will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October. This will be our first in person meeting for a while and we hope to see lots of new faces. The meeting will be held at The Bell pub in Brackley and start at 7.30pm. For more information please email <a href="mailto:friendsofsouthfieldschool@gmail.com">friendsofsouthfieldschool@gmail.com</a> or speak to a committee member.</p>	
<b>SPS Achievements this week</b>	
<p><b>Ready Respectful Safe – going above and beyond our high expectations</b></p> <p><b>Nursery – Olivia</b> has shown kindness and concern when she saw a child fall over in the garden. She spoke gently to him and helped him to stand up making sure he was OK. Well done, Olivia.</p> <p><b>Reception –</b> This week <b>Brian</b> has shown great understanding of using space safely in PE. He is also always ready to learn. Well done</p> <p><b>Year 1 and 2 – Abel</b> - for being incredibly polite, a kind friend and always being ready to learn. Well done, Abel!</p> <p><b>Year 3 – Freddie</b>- Showing respect by listening carefully to discussions and <b>Fayola</b> - always being ready to learn.</p> <p><b>Year 4 – Elijah</b> - has shown great perseverance and has listened to feedback this week. He has challenged himself to answer reasoning problems in Maths and whilst editing his letter to Cressida Cowell, he managed to include fronted adverbials. Well done!</p> <p><b>Year 5 – Katelyn, Olivia</b> and <b>Vivienne</b> have been relentless in their readiness throughout the week, and have not missed any opportunities for learning.</p> <p><b>Year 6 – Abby M</b> – for her excellent poetry production and performance this week.</p> <p><b>Special Head Teacher mention – Year 3</b> – for showing kindness and respect to each other during our gymnastics session this week. It was lovely to see how the children were making sure that their friends were OK if they fell out of a balance. Their teamwork when setting up and putting away the equipment is first class! Well done, Year 3!</p>	

With best wishes,  
Matt Green  
Head Teacher