

SURREY STREET

newsletter



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WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parents and Carers

Looking ahead to this term, we've got lots going on as always. Make sure you check out the revamped school website, as we'd welcome any feedback.

Just a gentle reminder about the importance of reading at home with your child. Did you know...

Children who regularly read for pleasure have better self-esteem and emotional regulation, with lower levels of emotional and behavioural challenges such as anxiety and aggression than those who don't. Children who read have higher levels of mental wellbeing and happiness.

Remember to log your child's reading on the Boom Reader app at least 3 times a week for them to be automatically entered into our Reading Lottery Weekly Prize Draw!

I would also like to say a **BIG** thank you to all our parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening, it was lovely to share your child's successes with you.

We are currently awaiting our latest Ofsted Report, as soon as this is received I will share it with you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Jackson

Royal Ballet

We are delighted to announce that we will be working with the **Royal Ballet** to provide professional level dance lessons for your children.

As part of this, we will be attending a special performance at the Royal Opera House in London on Tuesday 25th February. Children will then be participating in a series of dance lessons led by professional dancers with some children having the opportunity to audition for the Royal Ballet.

This is a four-year programme so more children will have the opportunity to dance over the next four years.



Celebration Assembly - LKS2 (Yrs. 3 & 4)

28.02.25 9:05 - 9:25am

Family Worker Coffee Morning for Parents

05.03.25 9 - 10am (Dance Studio)

Celebration Assembly – EYFS & KS1 (Yrs. R, 1 & 2)

07.03.25 9:05 - 9:25am

Share a Book - All Year Groups

14.03.25 8:45 - 9:15am

Celebration Assembly - UKS2 (Yrs. 5 & 6)

21.03.25 9:05 - 9:25am

Celebration Assembly - LKS2 (Yrs. 3 & 4)

28.03.25 9:05 - 9:25am

Celebration Assembly – EYFS & KS1 (Yrs. R, 1 & 2)

04.04.25 9:05 - 9:25am

Half Term – School closed

07.04.25 - 21.04.25

Children return to school

22.04.25



SSPS Sports Clubs

Sports Clubs run every morning from 7:55am – 8:40am for pupils in years 1 - 6

The sports clubs are free for children, so that all children can have access to extra-curricular activities regardless of income.

Children are to meet at the top gate and will be collected by a member of staff.



For pupils in Years 1 – 6 only

Monday – Dodgeball

Tuesday – Rounders/Cricket

Wednesday – Football

Thursday – Netball

Friday – Multi Sports



Ramadan Fasting – Years 5 and 6 ONLY

We know that Ramadan is a very special time for many of our families and is a period of prayer, fasting and goodwill to others. Whilst we recognise that fasting is not compulsory before the age of puberty in Islam, we understand that children are often encouraged to fast or indeed wish to fast to prepare them for adulthood.

All parents of **Year 5 and Year 6 pupils** must inform the school in writing if they wish their child to fast for part or all of the month of Ramadan, during school hours. This allows school to safeguard against any risk to health. We do not permit children in KS1 or LKS2 to fast.

You may want your child to fast on some days but not others. As a result we ask that all parents / carers let us know what they have agreed with their child by completing a **Fasting Permission Slip**. Once completed, please return this to the office so that we can prepare and make staff aware.

Please note: all children that fast will need to bring a healthy emergency snack with them to school daily, in line with our Fasting Policy.

Need to contact us?

Call: 01582 359390
Email: admin@surreystreetprimary.net
Kitchen: 01582 359398

Please remember when on the school site to refrain from using your mobile phone.

Thank you.



Amazon Wish List

Feel free to check out our wish list on Amazon. We have been overwhelmed by the support we have received by our parents and friends of SSPS. The list is regularly updated. Thank you for your support!

<https://amzn.eu/bcO9hcf>



Is spending too much time online affecting children's mental health?

There are positives to being online, but we need to be aware of the negative aspects, including those that may impact our child's mental health and wellbeing, for example:

Spending too much time on social media / Cyberbullying / Seeing inappropriate content / Excessive screen-time / negative impact on our sleep

Further information • Childnet discusses digital wellbeing in more detail and includes top tips and conversation starters: <https://www.childnet.com/help-andadvice/digital-welbeing/>

The NSPCC provides further information about mental health including signs to look out for and how to get further support: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childrensmentalhealth/depression-anxiety-mental-health/>