

May 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome back after a lovely half term break. What a beautiful day Sunday was—shame about the rest of the week but let's hope the weather improves as this half term unfolds!

We have a lot of super events coming up this term; sports day, father's day crafts and cards, summer fete, Southery Carnival, FOSA events and lots of preparation and practice for everyone, to experience their new class, new school and look ahead to September. At the end of this half term, we will, of course, be celebrating in the usual way, in the Church with our leavers' service. Each year group will have two winners for the progress prize in their year, there will be trophies awarded and our leavers have some treats lined up for you! Parents are all welcome to join us in the church.

We are having a focus on 'taking pride', in yourself, your uniform, your school, your own work/books, your village and being proud of being part of our lovely, rural community. We hope you will follow up with conversations at home with your children. I spoke about how the recent, tragic death of Rob Burrow, rugby league player, has inspired thousands of people to achieve through adversity. I have spoken to the children about having a great attitude to reaching your life's dreams and that they can all achieve what they set out to, with hard work and the right outlook.

Since we asked for support in promoting reading across the school and across the curriculum we have seen some improvements, so thank you for your support and keep up this super work. We are working on improvements to the décor in the library to continue to inspire our young readers—any ideas welcome!

Finally, a drop-in session for parents, to speak with me and hear about developments, and to talk about SEND has been arranged for 2.30pm on Friday 14th June, with myself and Miss Hattigan.

Take care, kind regards,

Elaine Huntington

Upcoming dates

W/C 27th May	Half Term holiday
Monday 3rd June	New reception parents information session—2.30pm
Saturday 8th June	FOSA Quiz
Tuesday 11th June	Kingfishers start swimming lessons
Tuesday 11th June	FOSA pop up shop at lunchtime
Wednesday 12th June	FOSA Wow afternoon
Friday 14th June	FOSA pop up shop at lunchtime
Tues 18th June	Dance Festival at Kings Lynn Corn Exchange—selected children only
Thursday 20th June	Sports Day—morning at the playing field.
Monday 24th June	Year 5 Play leaders day
Friday 28th June	Mini Tennis—selected children only
Wednesday 3rd July	Move up morning
Friday 5th July	Student Council NHS Thank You Picnic
Wed 10th—12th July	Kingfisher residential trip
Wednesday 17th July	Y6 Leavers picnic 1pm
Friday 19th July	Leavers Service at church 9:30am



Introducing Douglas the Fir Tree



The Year 6 have worked very hard over the last few weeks and we are very proud of how they conducted themselves during the SATS exams. Miss Cupit bought the children a fir tree and Year 6 decided to plant it in the front garden, so that they will always be able to see Douglas when passing the school.

This month's spotlight is on Swans Class:

As usual, Swans class have been working hard and doing lots of fantastic activities with Miss Cupit and Mrs Marsh. Whilst being joined by the Year 5's during SATS week, they invited in grandparents for a session to help build a variety of famous skyscrapers, which the children will then use to aid their English lessons.



They've also had a series of visits from parents and other people to talk about their jobs. And they got to sit in the (baby) tractor! The children also took home a lettuce plant, so we're looking forward to lots of lovely salads soon. They've also had a Eurovision sweepstake, been doing lots of work outside in the Forest School Area, performed their timetables for EMAT's CEO and Director of Education, and been using their Maths skills to find angles throughout the school.





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[Southery Academy – Stratfords](#)

Use the password **SOU013** to log in.

Orders placed through Stratfords will be delivered to school free of charge.

FOSA also has a second-hand uniform store and help is available through school, please speak to the office.

Free School Meals vouchers

The Free School Meals vouchers scheme has been renewed until October 2024. If your child is entitled to FSM, you receive a voucher from Edenred via your email for the value of £15 per child, once a month.

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