

Everyone at Southover achieves their potential, is valued for who they are and knows they belong

# Southover CE Primary School

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At Southover Church of England Primary school:

**We all work together** —children, parents, staff, Trinity Church and the community.

We **inspire each other** to learn through a **vibrant curriculum**, set within a safe environment that meets the **needs of all children**.

We gain strength from the **love of God** and our **love for one another**; we feel we belong to Trinity Church.

We value: **Trust, Compassion, Friendship, Hope, Thankfulness and Fellowship**.

We have a **healthy mind, body and spirit** to allow us to 'Live, Love, Learn'.

## Newsletter June 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and the Community of Southover,

This is pretty much a good newsletter as I have so many good things to share. The summer term is a very busy term for staff as we do reports, end of year assessments and plan for September whilst closing up this year.

We welcome Victor Malwa, our swimming teacher, and Maya Fadden, our lifeguard, to the Southover team for this term. Your children will be very familiar with both already.

Our planning for next year is underway. Please fill in the survey using the link shared by email and let us know what you have enjoyed and would love more of.

This Saturday is our Summer Fair! Come along and join in the fun and the fundraising.

**Safer Streets!!!** **We all work together** —children, parents, staff, Trinity Church and the community.

I am delighted to announce that the Potters Lane, Safer Streets project will become permanent!

Following an appearance at the East Sussex CC planning committee, the temporary traffic restrictions were made permanent. Only residents of The Course, Potters Lane or Cleve Terrace can drive in the area during the drop off and pick up times. This makes the area continue to be safer for all – children, buggies, bike and scooters.

Many thanks to the school community, Cycle Lewes and the residents for supporting the change. Get on your bike!

**Enrichment** - We **inspire each other** to learn through a **vibrant curriculum**

**Sport** we have a **healthy mind, body and spirit**

### Cricket

Summer is here and the cricket team have been trying out their skills and having fun.

A team from Y5/6 took part in Sussex CCC tournament in Eastbourne. They played four matches and hit fours and sixes galore as they competed with teams from the Eastbourne area. We won three of the matches and really improved our game play.



The team was: Remy, Nico, Edwin, Leo, Alfie, Dylan, Louie and Vincent.

We also had two teams playing on our own pitch on the field against Lewes Old Grammar School. The weather was perfect for cricket and the bowling and fielding shone for both teams. LOGS came out stronger in both games and the team made up of exclusively Y4 and Y5 girls learnt a lot against a more experienced set of players.

The teams were: Remy, Nico, Edwin, Leo, Dylan, Louie, Vincent, Flo, Lottie, Nancy, Joshua, Spencer, Annie, Bea, Bea and Owen.

## **Swimming**

We are delighted that the swimming pool is up and running this term. The water is lovely and the children are having fun whilst learning. Many thanks to Jo Roadway and Zoe Fisher for ensuring it was set up and ready for all.

The pool is a luxury but also something that teaches life's essentials – how to swim, water confidence and safety. Living near the sea and with rivers and lakes around, this is even more pertinent.

Please contribute to the pool costs through ParentPay so that we can continue to have a school pool. There are fewer school pools around each year so we are proud to be able to keep Southover's going.

## **Southover – a Music School!**

Following the fantastic performance from the Lewes Chamber Quartet in Arts Week, Y6 were invited to attend the public performance in the Lewes Music Festival. The whole class were keen to go and they spent their lunchtime enjoying fine classical music at St Michael's Church.

This term we have also been treated to assemblies from Create Music teachers and students. Cello, violin, guitar and woodwind have all performed to an audience.

## **Bilingual Writers**

Some children in Southover are lucky enough to speak two or more languages. Mis Miller organised these children into entering a competition to write in two languages and we have success from everyone who took part as they produced gorgeous pieces of work. Three of our stars were commended with awards at a special ceremony in Eastbourne. Well-done!



## **Inspiring Readers**

Book Club had a thoroughly enjoyable time in Bexhill at the East Sussex Book Awards Ceremony. We got to watch a talk from author Jamie Littler (who wrote the Arkspire series) and he gave us lots of top tips for writing a story as well as showing his fantastic illustration skills.

We were thrilled that Anya, Holly and Emily had all won prizes for their competition entries and that lots of the other girls had won commendation certificates for theirs. Ms Hayward-Tapp would like to thank all of the book club for their brilliant contributions this year and the parent helpers who volunteered to come on our trips. She hopes that everyone has a lovely summer full of reading!

Look out for the Library's Summer Reading Challenge!

## **Office News**

Check out our new website and new email source! Please check emails have not gone into 'junk' and 'trust content' from no-reply@mail.arbor-education.com

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – **Y6 Residential Trip**

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – **District Sports**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July - **PATINA**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July - **Sports Day**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – **Peter Pan – Y6 Production**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – **Last day of the year 1.15pm finish**

**Community News** - *we all work together* —children, parents, staff, Trinity Church and the community.



Domestic Violence at home happens in all school communities. If it is happening to you then you are not an isolated case. Search for: [changeorgrowlive](https://www.changeorgrowlive.org/) to find out more or email: [esdomesticabuse.info@cgl.org.uk](mailto:esdomesticabuse.info@cgl.org.uk) or call 0300 323 9985

Yours sincerely,

Noel Fadden



#### NSPCC Website and Support

You may be interested in the support that the NSPCC can offer through their website at <http://www.nspcc.org.uk/>. In the section on 'Keeping Children safe' they provide a range of information, advice, and child-friendly animations and activities covering areas such as e-safety, anti-bullying, social networking, safe relationships, advice on talking about difficult topics...and much more! They also run a helpline for parents for help and advice, as well as for reporting concerns about children.

**Compliments, Comments, Concerns and Complaints!** Have you got something positive you would like to say about the school, or a comment you would like to make? Have you got something which is concerning you or an issue need to complain about? If so, please let us know in person, by letter, by phoning the school office or by email. We have set up an email specifically for this which will be monitored only by the head and the Co-Chairs of Governors: [cccc@southover.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:cccc@southover.e-sussex.sch.uk)

