



# Selwyn Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to another school term! I hope you had a well-rested Easter break and thoroughly enjoyed lots of chocolate treats!

The countdown has begun for us to move in to our new school building. This is a very busy time not only because of the scale of the task but also because we are entering into the school's assessment period. To ensure the decant programme is executed safely, and to minimise disruption to learning, I'd like to remind you that the school will be closed on the following days: Thursday 24 May, Friday 25 May, Monday 4 June & Tuesday 5 June.

The children will be given tasks to complete at home during this time. The building is almost finished and therefore there will be increased activity around the site that will also coincide with further parking restrictions. I have been advised that residents have already been informed about the changes and a copy of a map showing the new restrictions will be emailed to members of the school community to prevent the issuing of fines and the towing of vehicles.

I know many of you will be preparing to purchase new school uniform for the new academic year. Please be reminded that, for some time now, the correct school uniform has included black shoes and not trainers. Please ensure that trainers are not purchased to be worn as this had led to children missing out on school activities.

As the weather improves, I'd like to remind you to ensure that your child has adequate protection from the sun. This includes ensuring that sun protection is applied in the morning before school and that a hat and a bottle of water is brought to school with them.

I hope you have a fantastic weekend.

Kind regards  
Lisa Bogle  
Headteacher

## St George's Day Celebration

On Sunday, 22 April, the 17<sup>th</sup> Pals' Battalion Band will be marking St George's Day with two parades and a special service at Highams Park Baptist Church. At 9.30 am, the band will march from the Broadway, down Selwyn Avenue, and round to the church in Cavendish Road.

Following the service, the band will march back up Cavendish Road to Tesco's, where they will perform a set of marches from 11.30 – 11.45 am.

*Why not join them to show your support and help celebrate England's national day!*

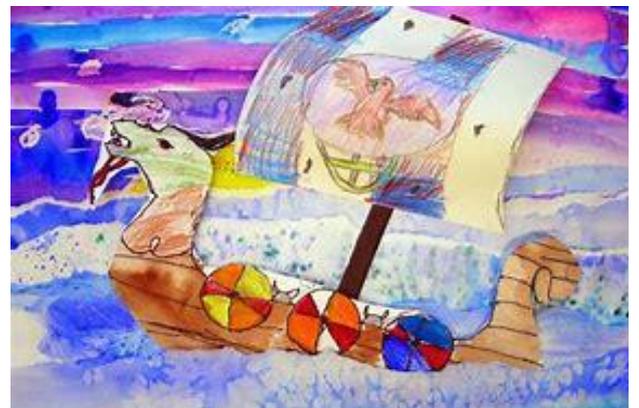


## Diary Dates

23 Apr	Leyton Orient – Yr 4
24 Apr	Swimming restarts – Yr 4
26 Apr	Southend Aquarium Trip – Yr 1
	Nurse Drop-In Session 8.30 - 9.30 am
30 Apr	Tennis Competition – Yrs 3/4
4 May	Coffee Morning – Assessments 9 – 10 am
7 May	KS1 SATs week
14 May	KS2 SATs week
	Healthy School Week
	Walk to School Week
18 May	Coffee Morning – Phonics
	Suntrap – Reception

## Calling All Vikings!

Hale End Library is planning a Viking-themed display for their windows and would love to include contributions from local children. These can be: artwork, sculpture, 3-D models, written work, poetry, and anything else your creative children can think of.



Year 4 have the Vikings as this term's topic so they will be working on this in school. However, all children who are interested are encouraged to be contribute.

***All contributions should be handed in to the library by the end of April.***

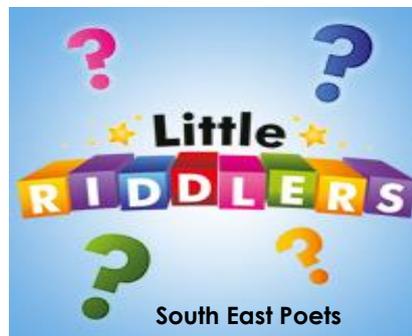
## Enabling Enterprise

This week, our pupils took part in an Enabling Enterprise Day. This year, the theme was 'A Day in Politics'. The children learned all about the many different aspects that living in a democracy includes, such as how the election process works, what governing/government means, the different political parties, and the duties and responsibilities of an elected member of parliament. Then, using what they had learnt, they worked in groups to form their own political party, considering what would make them attractive to voters, and planning their own manifesto. Finally, they voted for the 'party' that had impressed them most.



## Young Writers Competition

You may recall that we have previously congratulated a number of children who took part in the Young Writers competition earlier in the year. We are proud to say that the book has now been published under the title 'Little Riddlers, South East Poets', and should be available to purchase shortly.



## Swimming Lessons – Yr 4

Swimming lessons start again next Tuesday so please ensure your child has their full swimming kit with them.

Please note that these lessons are part of the National Curriculum; therefore *all* children should be taking part *every* week. If, for any reason, your child is unable to do so, please ensure you have informed us, **in writing**, of the reason why.

Children not swimming will remain in school and given work to complete.

## Safety Reminder

Please remember that if your child comes to the school on a scooter or bike they must dismount **before** they enter the playground or any other part of the school premises.

We have had a couple of near-misses recently which are naturally a cause for concern considering the number of people we have in a relatively small area.

Thank you for your support.

## Free English Conversation Class

Hale End Library is running a conversation club for those who are beginning to speak English or wish to improve their spoken English. The classes run every Friday afternoon from 1.45 – 3 pm and are free.

For further information, email:

[Conversationclub.als@walthamforest.gov.uk](mailto:Conversationclub.als@walthamforest.gov.uk)

## Attendance

The classes with the highest and lowest attendance for the week ending 29.3.18 were:

Highest	Percentage
Hornbeam	99.1%
Olive	98.1%
Hazel	98.0%
Lowest	Percentage
Maple	88.6%
Juniper	86.1%
Cypress	80.0%

## Writer of the Week



This week, our congratulations go to:

Lower Phase – Rory Dribbell, Rowan Class

Upper Phase – Nikolay Petrov, Aspen Class



## Mathematician of the Week



This week, our congratulations go to:

Lower Phase – Subahan Shafaq, Rowan Class

Upper Phase – Ellys Cojocaru, Hazel Class