



"The World for our Children, our Children for the World"

Headteacher: Mrs C. Sánchez

Family Newsletter

15th May 2026

Dear Families,

What a momentous week it has been for our Year 6 cohort! I am sure you will join me in offering a huge "well done" to every single one of our eldest pupils for completing their SATs tests with resilience, focus, and quiet determination.

It has been wonderful to see them relaxing and laughing together in the sunshine this afternoon during their pizza party and park trip—a perfect reward for their efforts. The "Hoodie Friday" tradition continues to be a highlight, with the children clearly relishing the chance to wear their gorgeous leavers' hoodies!

The excitement doesn't stop here, however! We are now looking ahead to next week as the class prepares for their residential trip, cherishing these final months of primary school.

Please note diary dates for next half term below!

Mrs Sánchez

Half term football camp at South Moreton

Mr Webster, previous parent and local football coach will be running a Football Camp at South Moreton over half term. We hope many pupils will wish to join for what promises to be lots of fun, whilst building valuable skills and enjoying game play together.

Bookings can be made by emailing
tempofootball@yahoo.com

TEMPO FOOTBALL

MAY FOOTBALL CAMP

4 DAY **INCLUSIVE** TRAINING FROM UEFA COACHES

8 YEARS - 14 YEARS

26TH MAY - 29TH MAY | 9AM - 3PM

LOCATION | SOUTH MORETON SCHOOL,
OX11 9AG, DIDCOT

£25 PER DAY

BONUS OFFER
Pay for 3 and
get 4th day free

ELITE TECHNICAL FOCUS **ACCELERATED PROGRESSION** **GAME INTELLIGENCE**

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Dates for your diary

Date	Event	Notes
Mon 18th - Wed 20th May	Year 6 Residential Trip	<i>See information sent to parents</i>
Mon 18th - Fri 22nd May	Enhanced PE coaching sessions: cricket	<i>See email for your child's day</i>
Tues 19th May	Y3 cricket skills workshop @ Boundary Park	<i>See email</i>
1st June - 12th June	Year 4 DfE Multiplication Check	<i>Info for parents on the MTC is here</i>
Mon 1st June	Wrens and Swallows trip to Beale Park	<i>See email. Payment and permission within MCAS.</i>
Tues 2nd - Tues 30th June	Y6 Swimming Lessons @ Cranford School	<i>See email. Payment and permission within MCAS.</i>
Thurs 4th June	Year 6 Injury Minimisation and Prevention Programme (IMPS) trip	<i>See email</i>
Fri 5th June	Year 6 visits from DGS / SBS	
Fri 5th June	Class photographs, all pupils	<i>Full uniform, no PE kit. Y6 hoodies.</i>
Mon 8th - Fri 12th June	Year 1 DfE Phonics Check	<i>Info for parents on the DfE Y1 Phonics Check is here</i>
Tues 9th June	Year 5 cricket tournament @ Boundary Park	<i>Information to follow</i>
Fri 12th June	Year 6 transition visit from Aureus School	
Tues 16th June	Year 6 Royal Navy STEM morning	<i>In school workshops</i>
Wed 17th - Fri 19th June	Year 5 Residential Trip	
Wed 24th June, 1.30pm	Sports Day	<i>All families warmly welcome</i>
Wed 24th June, 6pm	New Reception starters - Parent Information Evening	<i>Parents of new Reception cohort warmly welcome</i>
Fri 26th June, 1.30pm	Backup Sports Day	<i>In case of poor weather on 24th</i>
Mon 29th June	Science Week	
Thurs 2nd - Fri 3rd July	Level 3 Bikeability	<i>Information to follow</i>
Fri 3rd July	Y3 and Y4 trip to Sheldonian Theatre Children's Concert	<i>Information to follow</i>
Mon 6th July	Whole School Transition Afternoon incl Reception new starters	
Fri 10th July, 2.15pm	Summer Concert, all year groups	<i>All families warmly welcome</i>
Mon 13th July	Reports home	
Mon 13th July	Whole School transition afternoon incl Reception new starters	
Thurs 16th July, 5pm	Year 6 Leavers picnic and celebration	<i>Parents of Y6 warmly welcome</i>
Fri 17th July, 1.30pm	End of Term	<i>Taxi and bus departs at this time</i>

Sunsafer at school

Please can we ask parents to activate 'Summer mode' by ensuring that your child has the following in school every day. Children without protection on sunny days may be asked to play in shady areas which might not be their preference.

- Sunhat labelled with child's name
- Suncream (children need to apply this themselves, or you can apply a long-lasting one before school)
- Water bottle
- Waterproof coat (we can't pretend the rain won't make an appearance!)

Uniform reminder for Summer Term:

As the weather improves, please can we remind you of uniform expectations. Children are permitted to wear Summer dresses after the break if they wish. Shoes must be closed-toe and sturdy for outdoor play.

All shorts - girls and boys, for school or PE MUST be mid-thigh length or longer.

We will be contacting parents if uniform is not appropriate for school.

Last day for Becorn competition entries on Monday!



SOUTH MORETON SCHOOL ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION!



In assembly, we have looked at the work of a very talented artist, David Bird, who makes 'Becorns'. *Becorns* are little characters made from natural materials, like acorns and sticks. David Bird then places these outside and takes photos of them in their environment. Sometimes, these Becorns are lucky enough to have visitors, like birds!

Your challenge...make a **mini-character** using **natural materials**, inspired by David Bird's *Becorns*.





- 1.**Create** your natural-material character.
- 2.Give it a **name** and a personality.
- 3.Take a clear **photo** of your creation.
- 4.Bring your photo to school or email it to the school office to be **shared** with Mrs Salmon.

Prizes for the most successful Becorns!



Last Date for submissions: 18th May
(That is the last week of term)

READING NIGHTS AT SOUTH MORETON

**We don't set homework at South Moreton
(research says it's not impactful for Primary pupils, and
parents told us they agree)**

BUT - we do expect children to read at home.

1 night of Reading = 1 "Reading Night"

15 minutes R / KS1, 20 mins KS2

Recorded in their Reading Diary

4 nights = 1 point to win prizes

**Reading is the single biggest way parents can support their
child's academic success.**

HOW WE MEASURE

Engagement in reading at home forms part of our assessment of your child. Those that don't read, fall behind.

Children should read at home every day Monday - Thursday. Reading diaries are checked on a Friday.

Those with 4 Reading Nights will be entered to win prizes for their House and Class.



MCAS bookings and payments

All bookings and payments for school dinners, wraparound care, extra curricular clubs and trips are now managed within the MyChildAtSchool app or website. It will no longer be possible for the Office to make bookings for you.

Payment for wraparound care continues to be possible with childcare vouchers. Parents can select 'CV' in the MCAS checkout, which allows you to place the order while arranging the voucher transfer.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or need any help. We recognise that change can pose challenges and are very happy to support you.

If you are still catching up:

Please log in to 'My Child At School' via the online website or app using the login detail sent to your email address. You can alternatively add your email address and select 'forgot password' for a reset email to be sent to you.

The app can be downloaded from [Google Play](#) or [App Store](#) here.
The website is here www.mychildatschool.com

Pupil Premium eligibility - help us to support your child

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals and a variety of other financial supports, and school receives additional funding to support your child's teaching and learning. Please help us to claim this funding by contacting the Office if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits.

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190

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into the school day to discuss and celebrate with your child.
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