



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

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Family Newsletter

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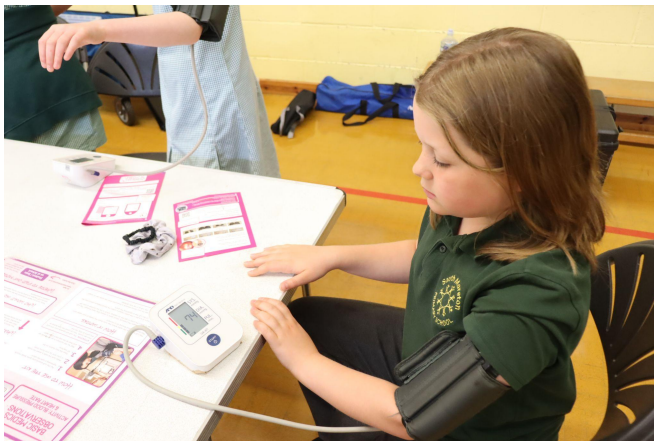
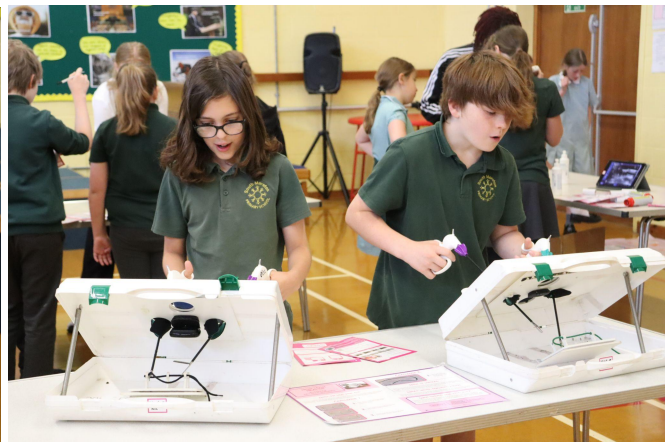
Dear Families,

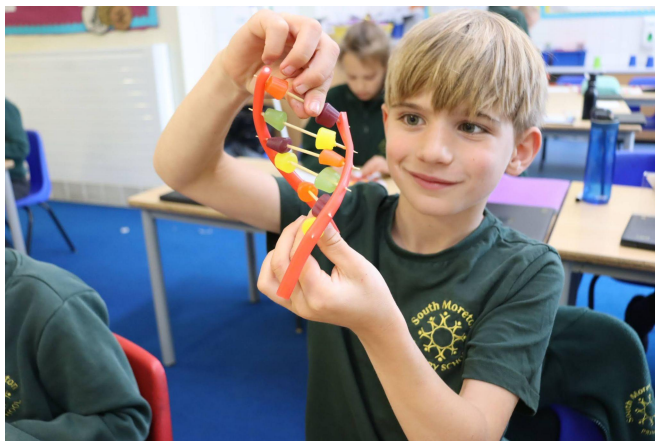
Science Week at South Moreton has been an exciting adventure for all our young scientists! Throughout the week, children took part in hands-on experiments, explored curious facts about the world around us, and discovered just how fascinating science can be.

Our **Take One Scientist** projects allowed the children to focus their learning and investigations on a particular scientist who has had an impact on the world we live in, from Watson, Crick and Rosalind Franklin, who discovered DNA to Leonardo Davinci and the discovery of flight. On Wednesday, the whole school took part in a **Medical Mavericks** workshop, where they explored careers in medicine through using an ECG and performing keyhole surgery.

We can't wait to see where our curiosity takes us next!

Mrs Higgins, Science Lead





South Moreton Church Flower Festival and Village Open Day

Our Becorn tribe and further artwork will be on display at next weekend's flower festival at South Moreton Church, along with lots more to see! It promises to be a fantastic afternoon - we look forward to many school families joining the fun!

Our Flower Festival and Village Open Day at South Moreton Church is really coming together, so much so that we're now opening the doors at 1pm to give you plenty of time to enjoy everything on offer. So join us on Saturday 13th June, 1–5pm, for:

- Flower displays by our Flower Club
- An art exhibition by local artists
- Artwork by South Moreton School and by South Moreton Pre-School
- South Moreton Boxing Club & The Cornermen
- Ommingbird Yoga demo class at 2.30pm
- Chair massage demo with Anita Choat
- Absolute Reps demo
- Heavy horses, Petting zoo, Children's nature trail
- Raffle
- Tea & homemade cakes
- Will Venn on piano

*And the fun doesn't stop there — The Crown is offering a **10% discount** on food and drink all evening to anyone who picks up a voucher at the event.*



Year 5 Cricket Festival at Boundary Park

On Tuesday this week our Year 5 pupils represented the school at a cricket festival. With the skies looking somewhat dubious we took to the field for our 2 games playing against mostly year 6 pupils. The children were a little overawed in our first game taking a bit of time to get into the game. In our second game we had clearly learnt some lessons from the first, with all the children saying they had improved their play. As always the children represented the school superbly and there were a lot of laughs and giggles amongst the squad over the afternoon. Thank you to all the parents for supporting the event and enabling us to offer these opportunities to the children.



Statutory testing

We are incredibly proud of our fantastic pupils in Year 1, Year 2, and Year 4, who completed their national statutory assessments this week. Our younger children took on the DfE phonics check, while Year 4 tackled the multiplication tables check. Throughout the entire week, the children demonstrated outstanding growth mindsets and an wonderfully positive attitude, approaching each task with determination and a smile. They did a truly fantastic job, and we could not be prouder of how beautifully they represented themselves and our school. Huge well done, everyone!

Reading Nights update

Thanks to your support at home, most children have enjoyed racking up over 130 nights of reading each by this point in the year! This is playing a critical and impressive part in their progress in learning across the curriculum. Children who read regularly can access learning better, complete tasks better and achieve higher grades, and this impact is felt all the way through secondary school, GCSEs and further study. Teachers use home reading engagement as part of their assessments and the picture within children's reading diaries can form a valuable insight into their engagement.

We don't set homework at South Moreton, but we do expect engagement in home reading.

Research shows that reading is the single most important way you can support your child's academic achievement, as well as it being invaluable for emotional connection with parents whilst reading, and a habit to support rest and relaxation. Thank you for supporting this across the year so far!

Please do keep up the pace over the final few weeks of term, and speak to us if you need any help! We reward those achieving 4 reading nights in a week.

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.



Moki Band fun!

Children at South Moreton continue to be active and busy every day, making the most of our beautiful site indoors and outdoors!

Our School total steps this week is 839227 - equivalent to walking from South Moreton to Bordeaux!



House averages:

Ravenclaw - 10509 Gryffindor - 10015 Hufflepuff - 9101 Slytherin - 9063

Class averages:

Wrens - 12530 Puffins - 7354 Herons - 7308 Red Kites - 6449 Swallows - 6382

Dates for your diary

Please note the new date for Wrens' and Swallows' rescheduled trip to Beale Park

Date	Event	Notes
Tues 2nd - Tues 30th June	Y6 Swimming Lessons @ Cranford School	See email. Payment and permission within MCAS.
Tues 16th June	Year 6 Royal Navy STEM morning	In school workshops
Wed 17th - Fri 19th June	Year 5 Residential Trip	
Wed 24th June, 1.30pm	Sports Day	All families warmly welcome
Wed 24th June, 6pm	New Reception starters - Parent Information Evening	Parents of new Reception cohort warmly welcome
Fri 26th June, 1.30pm	Backup Sports Day	In case of poor weather on 24th
Mon 29th June	Science Week	
Thurs 2nd - Fri 3rd July	Level 3 Bikeability	Information to follow
Fri 3rd July	Y3 and Y4 trip to Sheldonian Theatre Children's Concert	Information to follow
Mon 6th July	Whole School Transition Afternoon incl Reception new starters	
Thurs 9th July	Wrens and Swallows trip to Beale Park	Costs are generously subsidised by the PTA to keep them accessible.
Fri 10th July, 2.15pm	Summer Concert, all year groups	All families warmly welcome
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	Parents of Y6 warmly welcome
Fri 17th July, 1.30pm	End of Term	Taxi and bus departs at this time

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.

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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We welcome you to search and 'like' so that you get the best insight
into the school day to discuss and celebrate with your child.
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