



South Stanley Junior School
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Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Odd Socks Day and Anti-Bullying Week

On Monday 14th November, we will be taking part in 'Odd Socks Day' to celebrate that we are all unique. Your children are welcome to wear odd socks for this day – the brighter and bolder the better!

Throughout week commencing 14th November we will also be celebrating Anti-bullying week with special activities. Our school's anti-bullying policy (and a child friendly version) are available on our website: <https://www.southstanley-jun.durham.sch.uk/about-us/school-policies/>.

Salvation Army Present Appeal

We are collecting presents for the Salvation Army Present Appeal again this year. Any new, unopened presents can be left at school up to 7th December and we will pass these onto this very worthy cause. Equally, if you know of a family who are struggling financially, please get in touch and we can look at the possibility of nominating them to receive gifts from the Present Appeal.

Football World Cup Celebrations

We will be taking part in some special activities to mark the upcoming world cup and on 21st November (the day of the first England match), we will be having a day off our usual curriculum to celebrate all things football! Children will have the opportunity to compete in a 'South Stanley World Cup' and also come to school dressed in their favourite football kit. We will also be showing the match on the big screen at school for any children who would like to watch it.

First Aid Courses

Thank you to everyone (pupils and parents) who attended the 'Mini Medics' first aid training on 3rd November. This was a really fun and informative course with positive feedback from all involved. We will also be hosting a further session focusing on Mental Health First Aid training on 8th December where parents/ carers can also learn alongside their children in school. If you would like to attend this session and learn first aid with your child, please contact Mrs Barkess ASAP to reserve a place.

Tree Planting

We can now confirm that we will be tree planting on November 24th after we received 300 trees from the Woodlands Trust. Please save this date in your diary as we will be inviting parents/ carers to come into school to plant trees with their children between 10 and 12 on this day.

Library Visits

Year 4 enjoyed their recent visit to Southmoor library and the dates for other year groups to visit are as follows:

Y6 - Thurs 24th November

Y5 - Thurs 1st December

Lost Property

We have a huge amount of lost property in school (mostly jumpers) which have no names in them. If your child has lost an item of clothing, please call into school and look through our lost property so we can try and reunite you with their clothing! It is really helpful if you write your child's name in their clothes in case they are lost.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact one of us.

Best wishes,

Mrs Bell – Head Teacher