

SOUTH LEE



SCHOOL

Bulletin 1

11th September 2009

Mr Whipp and the staff should like to express their thanks for the very kind gifts they received from parents and pupils at the end of last term.

We welcome the following members of new staff on board this term:

Miss Stephanie Powling – Year 2 teacher

Mr Paul Borrows – Prep School maths teacher

DROPPING OFF AND COLLECTING CHILDREN

As is usual, for the first few days of term, parents dropping off children may take a little longer until everyone becomes familiar with the routine.

Please allow extra time and be patient.

Parents should not park in the road or in the Victory Grounds, which is reserved for staff. At the end of the day the doors open at 3.25 p.m. and 3.45 p.m. and it really only takes 10 minutes to clear all the children if parents respect the rules, e.g. remain in your vehicle until you are opposite the school door(s).

Please be considerate of other parents and road users.

Those staying for prep or after school activities will all leave by the main Mayfield Road entrance.

In the morning: Parents may choose which entrance to use. Parents coming into school via Nowton Road should leave the main driveway free for through

traffic. Children may enter through the various garden gates.

Those coming into school via Mayfield Road should leave the left-hand lane clear for through traffic. Children may enter through the main entrance.

In the afternoon: there are two times for collection with the choice of two doors. Parents, including Nursery, may choose either door but please let us know so that your child is at the correct one.

Nowton Road users should line up **at least two abreast**, parallel to the hedge, as far forward as possible. At both doors, children will be called for cars parked in front of the entrance doors. To ensure children's safety they are allowed out in batches only when ALL the cars have stopped.

Please could we urge parents to **drive slowly and carefully** when entering and driving through the school grounds.



NEW PUPILS

We welcome the following new pupils to South Lee.

Nursery

Cygnets

Margaux Brown
Justin Clarke
Mary Francis
Aimee Glancy
Charlotte Henderson
Dayyan Tariq
Carmen Thornton
Francis Topham-Smith
Peter Treneman

Nursery

Swans

Joshua Crawford
Ella Hughes
Reeva Randhawa
Anya Witthuhn

Year 1

Milo Hamilton-Russell
Amalie Mager

Year 3

Beth Francis
Tilly Hamilton-Russell
Nancy Keitley-Webb
Thor Mager

Year 4

Sarah Berry
Johan Hasselder

Year 5

Georgina Bryson
Ellie Francis
Lucy Howard
Tionge Yikona

OFFICE TELEPHONE

For the benefit of new parents, the school office is open every morning from 8.30a.m. We are sorry that, on some occasions, parents are put through to the answerphone when trying to contact the office. If both office telephones are in use or only one member of the office staff is available and is already engaged on a call, the answerphone will automatically cut in.

WEBSITE

The school website address is www.southlee.co.uk. The website has school information, features and bulletins.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Please would parents book places for after school care through the school office. Due to staffing requirements places are strictly limited.

SCHOOL OFFICE E-MAIL ADDRESS

office@southlee.co.uk

If parents wish to send a message directly to the school office using e-mail, please use the above address.

REGISTRATION

The mornings in the Prep School are busy. There is often much business to complete before registration, which is at 8.45a.m. **It is therefore very important that pupils arrive on time in order that they are registered and organised for the school day.**

SUMMER UNIFORM

Summer uniform may be worn until October half-term, but is not compulsory.

GREAT NORTH RUN

Mr Whipp and Mr Macdonald will be taking part in the Great North Run on Sunday 20th September. They will be supporting two charities: Children with Leukaemia and the South Lee School Nepal Project. Anyone who might wish to make a donation should see Mrs Day or Mrs Ronge or visit our web page at www.bmycharity.com/macwhipp



Liz, Lisa, Anna and Jackie will also be taking part in the Great North Run, running from Newcastle upon Tyne to South Shields, a total of 13.1 miles. We shall be running in aid of the Cystic Fibrosis Charity as 'Team Anna'. If you would like to sponsor us at www.justgiving.com/teamanna we would be most grateful. Thank you for your support. Jackie Banks.

SPORTS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following pupils who were awarded colours for their achievement in sport:

Tennis

Tom Chappell	Full Colours	Rory Milbank	Half Colours
James Deeley	Full Colours	Geraldine Herinckx	Half Colours
Jonathan Wise	Full Colours	Tilly Upton	Half Colours
Charlie Monk	Full Colours	Annabelle Fulcher	Half Colours
Victoria Macfarlane	Full Colours		
Jessica Godfrey	Full Colours	Best Player	Jonathan Wise
Margaux Herinckx	Full Colours	Best Player	Charlie Monk
Chloe Browne	Full Colours	Most Improved	Rory Milbank

Cricket

James Deeley	Full Colours	Ben Milner	Half Colours
		Tom Chappell	Half Colours
Best Player	James Deeley	Rory Milbank	Half Colours
Most Improved	Ben Milner	Ryan McGowan	Half Colours
		Charlie Monk	Half Colours

Rounders

Victoria Macfarlane	Half Colours
Rosanna Pritchard-Gordon	Half Colours
Jessica Godfrey	Half Colours
Geraldine Herinckx	Half Colours
Margaux Herinckx	Half Colours
Chloe Browne	Half Colours

FEES REFUND SCHEME

For those parents who participate in the fees refund scheme with HSBC Insurance, we can now inform you that with effect from 1st January 2010, there will be a 7 day excess applied to all claims for school closure. This means that there is no cover for the first seven days of a school closure. For example, if the school should be closed for eight days due to an outbreak of an infectious disease at the school, the policy would, subject to the terms and conditions of the insurance scheme, refund one day's fees.

MEDICINE IN SCHOOL



May we remind parents that, should it be necessary for children to be given medicine during the day, for legal reasons an 'Administration of Medicine' form must be signed. The forms are available from the office. In certain circumstances, a form must be completed by the child's doctor. For health and safety reasons, all medicine must be handed in to the office. **Inhalers brought into school must be clearly named.**

PARENTS' EVENINGS (KINDERGARTEN UPWARDS)

The Parents' Evenings this term will be held on Tuesday 20th October and Thursday 22nd October. Further details will be sent to parents in due course.

THERE WILL BE NO PREP OR AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR PREP SCHOOL PUPILS ON THESE TWO AFTERNOONS.

THERE WILL BE AFTER SCHOOL CARE.

BREAKTIME SNACKS

May we remind parents that sweets and crisps are not considered suitable to eat at break-times. A piece of fruit is a healthy option and is something we would obviously encourage. Please remember that products containing any trace of nuts should not be sent into school.

TESCO VOUCHERS

Thank you to everyone who has supported the scheme run by Tesco by bringing vouchers into school. Over the years we have banked some vouchers and with the ones we collected this year, we were able to order £2000 worth of computer equipment and resources, including some equipment for the Environment Club.

SPEECH DAY CUPS

Please could we ask that all cups presented to pupils on Speech Day be returned to the school office by Friday, 18th September 2009.

PARENTS' ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER BOOKLET

The parents' address and telephone booklet will be sent out early in the term. Those who have agreed to be included will have a copy of their entry details sent to them shortly for checking. Please note that this is for the private and personal use of South Lee parents only and **not to be used for commercial purposes.**

MOUTH GUARDS

We cannot stress enough the importance of wearing a mouth guard for sports and highly recommend that each child in Prep school has one.

All children in Year 2 and above must also have a pair of shin pads for sports lessons and matches.

EQUESTRIAN NEWS

Ruth Hole (6S) represented the Eastern Region at the 'British Young Rider Dressage Championships' during the summer break. She came 6th individually across the UK in the U12's, which is a fantastic result. Very well done to Ruth!

Madeleine Banks (Year 7) competed at the 'Equifest Championships' held at the East of England Showground, Peterborough in August. She won the Equifest Working Hunter Pony Final.

Madeleine has also qualified to ride at this year's Horse of the Year Show at the NEC, Birmingham in October. Congratulations to Madeleine for both these achievements, we wish her good luck for the event in October.

SWIMMING LESSONS (YEAR 1 TO YEAR 3)

Swimming lessons for Years 1 to 3 will begin on Friday, 18th September 2009. All pupils will be advised of their time and swimming groups in due course. Swimming lessons for Kindergarten children start from January 2010.

PARENT & TODDLER SESSIONS

We would like to welcome you back to our Parent & Toddler Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1.30pm-3.00pm, starting Tuesday, 15th September. We shall be providing lots of activities for you and your child to enjoy. This is a good opportunity for your child to become familiar with South Lee and the Nursery staff.

A BIG THANK YOU!

The Nursery staff would like to say thank you for all your support during the many varied activities we have undertaken throughout the academic year. We are so grateful for all the wonderful gifts we received at the end of last term and we wish your children lots of happiness as they progress through the school.

MY FAIR LADY

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Prep School production, £208.08 in donations for the South Lee Nepal Project was collected over the two evenings.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS' EXAMINATION BOARD (COMMON ENTRANCE)

Please would parents of pupils in Years 6 & 8 contact Mrs MacDonald as soon as possible if they wish their child to take the 11+ or 13+ Common Entrance examination this academic year.

Parents should note that few local senior schools require this, as they prefer to use their own examinations.

JEANS FOR GENES DAY

Friday, 2nd October 2009

This is a non-uniform day, where the children are allowed to wear their own clothes for the day. We ask for a cash donation which we then forward to the relevant charity.

PARENT LUNCH

Tuesday, 10th November 2009

Parents of pupils in the Pre Prep and Prep School are welcome to join their children for lunch on Tuesday 20th November 2009. Please book through the school office as numbers are limited to eight places for Pre Prep lunch and six places for Prep lunch.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 7th October 2009 from 8.30am to take individual school photographs. More details will follow nearer the time.

'BURY IN BLOOM' COMPETITION

Congratulations to the Environment Club for all their hard work and effort in developing the school environmental garden which resulted in a Silver award in this year's 'Bury in Bloom' competition. The judges' comments were as follows:

"With hard work the Environment Club has turned a shady corner of their grounds into a productive and environmentally friendly garden showing a wide variety of healthy vegetable crops. Their work continues throughout the year with the production of 'fat balls' for the birds."

A big thank you to all involved.

Lisa De Jongh

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Please could we ask you to return, as soon as possible, all instruments that have been borrowed from the school. There may be a chance to borrow certain instruments again but obviously, as you will appreciate, some instruments are in great demand.

MUSIC LESSONS

At the moment there are spaces available with peripatetic staff to learn any musical instrument, and it is possible to borrow some instruments from South Lee on a time-limited basis. There is currently a waiting list for singing lessons. If you are interested, please pick up a form from the school office. The cost of lessons is currently £26 per hour. It will increase to £28 per hour (£14 per lesson from January 2010).

If you would like more information please speak to Mrs Cotton.

MUSIC EXAMINATION SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following pupils who recently passed their music examination.

Pupils of Mrs Elizabeth Blasby

Charlie Monk	Grade 4	Piano	Pass
William Tremelling	Grade 1	Piano	Pass
Oscar Cubitt	Grade 1	Piano	Merit
Indigo Dancer	Grade 1	Piano	Pass
Megan Filkins	Grade 1	Piano	Merit
Georgiana Cardozo	Prep Test	Piano	Very good comments

SUDBURY HOCKEY CLUB

Sudbury Hockey club is looking for new junior members U7/U11. The Club is part of the Suffolk Youth League. Training is on Sunday mornings at Great Cornard Upper School, Sudbury, 10.00am-11.30am. More information is available from the Sudbury HC website ww.shc.org.uk or from Christine Anderson, Junior Co-ordinator, telephone 01787 881402.

ACADEMIC YEAR DATES 2009-2010

AUTUMN TERM 2009

Wednesday, 9th September
26th October to 30th October inclusive
Friday 11th December

SPRING TERM 2010

Wednesday, 6th January
15th February to 19th February inclusive
Friday, 26th March

SUMMER TERM 2010

Wednesday, 21st April
31st May to 4th June inclusive
Tuesday, 13th July

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

These may be subject to change

	Lunchtime	After School Pre Prep	After School Prep
Monday	Chamber Choir Yrs 4-8	Football Yr 3 Gym Yr 2	Football Yrs 4 & 5 Hockey Yrs 7 & 8 (boys & girls) Netball Yrs 4 & 5 Chronicle Yrs 4-8
Tuesday	Junior Choir (Pre Prep)	Gym Yr 3	Rugby Yrs 4-8 Expressive Arts Yrs 4-8 Hockey Yr 4-6 (girls)
Wednesday	Football Yr 2		Chess Club Yrs 4-8 Environment Club Yrs 4 & 5
Thursday			Hockey Yr 4-6 (boys) Netball Yrs 6-8 Football Yrs 6-8 Yoga Yrs 4 & 5
Friday	Orchestra Yrs 4-8		Latin Club Yrs 6-8 Photo & Film Club Yrs 6-8 Rock Band Yrs 7-8

Please note all clubs will begin week commencing **Monday 14th September**

Dates for Diary

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday	8	Year 7 & 8 residential visit to the Peak District
Wednesday	9	Term begins
Friday	11	Year 7 & 8 return from Peak District NO SWIMMING
Saturday	12	Cambridge Dragon Boat Festival – staff entry, supporters welcome
Monday	14	Clubs begin
Friday	18	Swimming starts
Sunday	20	Great North Run
Friday	25	PTA Coffee Morning, 8.30am - 10.00am in the GP Room World's Biggest Coffee Morning-Macmillan Cancer Care

OCTOBER

Friday	2	'Jeans for Genes Day' – non uniform Prep School departs for residential visit to Hilltop NO SWIMMING
Sunday	4	Prep School returns from Hilltop
Wednesday	7	Individual school photos
Friday	9	Pre Prep Harvest Festival
Tuesday	20	Parents' Evening, 5.30pm-8.00pm
Thursday	22	Parents' Evening, 5.30pm-8.00pm
Friday	23	PTA Disco, NO SWIMMING
Monday	26	Start of half term

NOVEMBER

Monday	2	Return to school following half term
Tuesday	10	Parent Lunch
Saturday	28	Christmas Fair, 10.00am-2.00pm
Monday	30	Pre Prep Production Dress Rehearsal, 9.10am

DECEMBER

Tuesday	1	Pre Prep Production, 2.00pm
Thursday	3	Pre Prep Production, 2.00pm
Tuesday	8	Children's Bring & Buy Sale, 10.00am
Wednesday	9	Carol Service Rehearsal, Prep School Reports home
Thursday	10	Christmas Lunch Carol Service, 7.00pm, in the Cathedral
Friday	11	Term ends

JANUARY

Wednesday	6	Back to school
Saturday	16	South Lee Scholarships

Dates and times may be subject to change



SHOP TIMES:

From week commencing Monday, 14th September 2009, the school uniform shop will be open **every Tuesday**: mornings one week and afternoons the next. The new opening times for the autumn term are as follows:

<u>September</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>November</u>	<u>December</u>
Tues 15 th 2.45pm-3.45pm	Tues 6 th 8.30am-9.30am	Tues 3 rd 2.45pm-3.45pm	Tues 1 st 2.45pm-3.45pm
Tues 22 nd 8.30am-9.30am	Tues 13 th 2.45pm-3.45pm	Tues 10 th 8.30am-9.30am	Tues 8 th 8.30am-9.30am
Tues 29 th 2.45pm-3.45pm	Tues 20 th 8.30am-9.30am	Tues 17 th 2.45pm-3.45pm	
		Tues 24 th 8.30am-9.30am	

ADVERTISING SUPPLEMENT

The next P.T.A. Advertising Supplement will be sent out week beginning Monday, 28th September 2009.

If you wish to place an advertisement, please send in your copy to the school office by Monday, 21st September 2009.

The cost of advertising is £30 for a full page (A5), £15 for half a page and £2 for each individual item.

The school reserves the right to refuse the placing of any advertisement deemed unsuitable.

PTA COFFEE MORNING

The PTA coffee morning will be taking place on Friday 25th September 2009 in the GP Room (opposite Nursery) from 8.30am -10.00am. On this occasion we will be joining in the 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning' and raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support. We would be grateful for any donations of cakes to sell at the coffee morning, please bring them in on the Friday morning. All parents are welcome and we encourage new parents to come along and get to know each other.

South Lee School Menu - week commencing Monday, 14th September 2009					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main	Pasta with Carbonara Sauce	Baked Sausages	Sweet and Sour Chicken	Sausagemeat Plait	Roast Turkey with Cranberry Sauce
Vegetarian	Vegetarian Option	Veggie Bangers	Vegetable Cobbler	Quorn Sausage Casserole	Vegetable Loaf
Side	Crusty Bread	Potatoes	Steamed Rice	Potatoes	Roast Potatoes
Side	Peas	Seasonal Vegetables	Sweetcorn	Baked Beans	Seasonal Vegetables
Sweet	Chocolate Mousse or Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit Platter	Flapjacks	Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit	Carrot Cake or Fresh Fruit

South Lee School Menu - week commencing Friday, 25th September 2009					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Toad in the Hole	Chilli Con Carne and Nachos	Roast Pork with Apple Sauce	Fish Fingers
Vegetarian	Vegetarian Option	Sausage Hot Pot	Veggie Chilli	Vegetable Loaf	Vegetarian Option
Side	Pasta Spirals	Potatoes	Steamed Rice	Roast Potatoes	Potatoes Ketchup
Side		Peas	Mexican Corn	Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans
Sweet	Strawberry Ice Cream or Fresh Fruit	Madeira Sponge or Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	Chocolate Ring Doughnuts or Fresh Fruit	Lemon Drizzle Cake or Fresh Fruit