



# South Lee Prep School & Nursery Newsletter

Michaelmas Term

13 October 2023

## Dates for your Diary - October 2023

- Sunday, 15th: Adventure Challenge Trip to Hilltop - arriving at 3.30pm  
Tuesday, 17th: Year 5 Parents' Coffee Morning at 8.30am  
PTA Halloween School Disco at 5.30pm  
Wednesday, 18th: U11 Rugby v St Joseph's College (H) at 2.30pm  
U13 Hockey v Holmwood House (A) at 2.30pm

## THURSDAY, 19TH TO SUNDAY, 29TH: HALF TERM

- Tuesday, 31st: Year 4 Parents' Coffee Morning

## Dates for your Diary - November 2023

- Thursday, 2nd: PTA Committee Meeting at 8.30am  
Friday, 3rd: PTA AGM at 4.30pm  
Tuesday, 7th: Year 3 Parents' Coffee Morning at 8.30am  
Wednesday, 8th: U11 Hockey v Ipswich High (H) at 2.30pm  
U12 Rugby v Ipswich High (H) at 2.30pm  
Friday, 10th: U9 Netball v Fairstead House (A) at 2.30pm  
U9 Hockey v Fairstead House (A) at 2.30pm  
U11 Hockey v Barnardiston Hall (H) at 2.30pm  
Wednesday, 15th: U11 Rugby v Barnadiston Hall (H) at 2.30pm  
U13 Hockey v King's Ely (A) at 2.30pm  
Thursday, 16th: Non Uniform Day (PTA Bring a Xmas Jar)  
Saturday, 18th: Community Performance of the Messy Messiah at St Edmundsbury Cathedral (Year 3 & 4)  
Wednesday, 22nd: U11 Hockey v OBH and Holmwood House (H) at 2.30pm  
U11 Rugby v OBH and St Felix (H) ay 2.30pm  
Thursday, 23rd: PTA Thanksgiving Lunch

## NOTICES

### Reminder: VAN COLS Photography

This is a friendly reminder for all parents that the deadline to place orders for photos with complimentary delivery to the school, is today, 13 October 2023, by midnight.

Thank you.

### Hilltop Trip

We are looking forward to a fun and exciting weekend!

On Sunday, please could parents park over at the Victory Grounds so that we leave enough space for the coach to enter the school drive? We are scheduled to arrive back at around 3.30pm. See you then!

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# Celebration Assembly Awards

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## Pupils of the Week

Molly F and David O'SJ for getting stuck in with life and optimising the South Lee values

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# Head's Awards



**Nursery- Swans:** Ralph S for great attention and listening **Reception:** Lucas F for settling back into school brilliantly | **Year 1:** Axel G for his amazing handwriting | **Year 2:** Freya F for having a fantastic return to school life | **Year 3:** Jameson T his excellent focus across all subjects | **Year 4:** Theo G for being helpful and tidying up after wet break | **Year 5:** Ruby D for her considerate way that she goes around school | **Year 6:** Florence A for her 100% commitment to school life and being a great friend | **Year 7:** Rose W for being a model South Lee pupil | **Year 8:** Pip F for always thinking about others

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# Celebration Assembly Awards



## Apple Awards (Pre-Prep)



**Nursery:** Arjun P for a fantastic transition into Swans and Lily M for being fantastic in our tennis lessons | **Reception:** Oliver T for communicating so kindly within class to his peers and Fraser K for his fantastic storytelling of the 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' | **Year 1:** Friday F for her dragon poem and Phinneas M for his resilience in his maths and English | **Year 2:** Paul C for his wonderful story writing and sentence openers and Dominic B for thinking of some great adjectives in English | **Year 3:** Kieran O'SJ for his fantastic work with Mrs Tilbrook and Mrs Arnold and Shia W-B for an excellent newspaper report in English



### Artist of the Week

Elizabeth C for her amazing Ming vase



### Players of the Week

**Rugby**  
Henry D

**Hockey**  
Pip F



### Musician of the Week

Frida F for her wonderful singing



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# Featured articles

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## Bury St Edmunds Rugby Club

The recent Minis Rugby Festival was a great success, and it was heart-warming to witness our children actively participating and being awarded the medals we supported.

Bury St Edmunds Rugby Club is extending a 2-week trial offer to any girl or boy from Year 1 to 7 who is interested in trying out. For more information, please reach out to Nick Tuffs at [minischair@bserufc.co.uk](mailto:minischair@bserufc.co.uk).



## Pantomime (Reception to Year 6)

Get ready to rock and roll! Pre Prep and Lower Prep students are in for a thrilling outing to the pantomime on Wednesday, 6 December 2023.

We shall leave school at 10.00am travelling via coach or minibus and are scheduled to arrive back at school by 3.30pm.

The cost of the trip will be £20.00, and will include tickets to the electrifying Dick Whittington Rock and Roll Panto, a packed lunch, as well as transportation to and from Ipswich Wolsey Theatre.

Payment can be made via BACS transfer to South Lee School:

Account Number: 00388098

Sort Code: 30-91-49

Children will be required to wear their full school uniform, including blazers.

It's going to be a day packed with music, dancing, and pure panto fun – an experience that'll have them tapping their toes and singing along!

Please complete the **FORMS** questionnaire to confirm that you give permission for your child to attend this fantastic trip.



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# Featured articles

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## PTA Halloween Disco

Could we kindly request for any pumpkins to be brought in on Tuesday morning and stored in the GP room until the disco?

Children who would like to stay after school until the disco starts are welcome to bring a packed tea. Regular supervised after school care/clubs/prep will continue until 17:30 as usual. The children may also change at school if they prefer.



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## Year 4 STEM

Could we please request that the children bring their teddies (the same ones they measured for the chairs) into school next week, as they will be finishing the chairs they are making to ensure a perfect fit?



## Year 5 Parents' Coffee Morning

We are delighted to invite you to our upcoming Year 5 Parents' Coffee Morning, a cherished tradition at South Lee Prep School that fosters connection, community, and conversation.

Date: Tuesday, 17 October 2023

Time: 8.30am

We aim to create a welcoming atmosphere where you can relax and enjoy coffee, tea, and light refreshments while building valuable connections with other parents. It's a chance to strengthen our school community and provide a supportive network for all.

We look forward to your participation and to making this gathering a memorable one filled with laughter, friendship, and fruitful interactions.



# Our Journey in Images



🦢 Our little swans hosted a charming café for their parents, serving up 'drinks and pastries'! 🍰 🍷 This fun activity not only boosted their communication and language skills but also contributed to their physical development and literacy. 🌟 🗣️ 📖 #LittleSwansCafe #ChildDevelopment #CommunicationSkills

# Our Journey in Images



📖📚📖 This week in PSHE, our Year 7's had a blast learning about #FirstAidTraining and how to apply bandages for any sudden mishaps! They were totally engrossed and found it super interesting! 😊  
#LifeSkills #EducationMatters #HealthyHabits



🌿📖📚📖 What a stunning performance by Upper Prep at the Harvest Festival as they recited a beautiful poem by John Keats! ✨  
#HarvestFestival #Poetry #CreativeArts  
#StudentTalent #ProudTeachers



🏆🌟 The recent Minis Rugby Festival was a phenomenal success! 🌈 It was so heartwarming to see our children fully engaged, receiving medals we proudly sponsored! #TeamSpirit #YouthSports #CommunityPride #RugbyFun

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# PTA Insights: What's New?

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## **PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST - £1**

**BRING YOUR SPOOKIEST OR CUTEST PUMPKINS  
TO SCHOOL ON 17 OCTOBER FOR THEM TO BE  
JUDGED AT THE HALLOWEEN DISCO!**

Prizes for 1st Place:

- Reception - Yr 2
- Year 3- Year 6
- Year 7 - Year 8





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PTA Insights: What's New?

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# Halloween Disco

£5 ENTRY  
ON THE DOOR

**SOUTH LEE SCHOOL**

TUE 17 OCT (AT) 5:30PM 'TIL 7PM

RECEPTION - YR 8

REC-YR2 REQUIRE AN ADULT PRESENT

PRIZES FOR  
BEST COSTUMES

SPOOKY TREATS,  
FOOD & DRINKS  
FOR SALE

# Community engagement



**OCTOBER HALF-TERM**  
**School's OUT**  
**Activities**

Suffolk's number one Activity Camp is coming to South Lee Prep School this October Half-Term! We can't wait to welcome children from all schools in the Bury St Edmunds area for Halloween themed activities!

For 4-16 year olds covering the full working day, from 8am-6pm, with over 100 action-packed activities... there's something for everyone!

Accept all Childcare Vouchers & Gov.UK Tax Free Childcare

Ofsted  
Early Years Provider

**Early Explorers**  
4-6 yrs

**Creative Crew**  
7-12 yrs

**Adrenaline Adventure**  
7-12 yrs

**Next Generation**  
13-16 yrs

  
**SOUTH LEE PREP SCHOOL**  
Victory Sports Ground, Nowton Road,  
Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 2BT  
Ofsted Number: EY2593837

**October Half-Term**  
Mon 23rd Oct - Fri 27th Oct

Scan for Info



Use the discount code **SOUTHLEE** for 10% off



TO BOOK VISIT  
[www.schoolsoutactivities.co.uk](http://www.schoolsoutactivities.co.uk)

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# Community engagement

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## LADIES TENNIS MORNING



**A weekly coaching session  
for beginners and improvers**

**Fridays 9.15 - 10.15am (term time)**

£10 per session\*

Pay and play (only pay for sessions attended).

\*£13 pp if only 2 people attending a particular week

**Victory Ground Tennis Club**

Nowton Road, Bury St Edmunds IP33 2BT

For further information contact  
David on **07771 900659** or email:

**[davidhalltennis@gmail.com](mailto:davidhalltennis@gmail.com)**

Rackets available to borrow if required.



**DAVID  
HALL  
TENNIS**

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# Community engagement

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## Musical Theatre Masterclass with Grace Wellfare

Date: Thursday, 26 October 2023 | Time: 10.00am

Get ready for an exhilarating journey into the world of Musical Theatre at Theatre Royal! Join our professional performer, Grace Wellfare, for a morning filled with action and creativity on our grand stage. This immersive experience begins with a dynamic physical and vocal warm-up to prepare you for a day in the shoes of a professional performer. Throughout the morning, you'll delve into the enchanting world of musical theatre, learning songs and dances from your favorite productions. Dive deep into character development, connect with their captivating journeys, and even explore scenes from beloved shows.

This workshop is perfect for anyone passionate about musical theatre, eager to enhance their skills and deepen their love for the stage.

### **About Grace:**

Grace Wellfare has dedicated nearly a decade to freelance drama and dance instruction in East Anglia. She honed her craft at Masters Performing Arts CDMT and the prestigious Guildford School of Acting. Grace's impressive portfolio includes performances in productions like Priscilla Queen of the Desert, Polar Express with Warner Bros., and Lapland UK. She's even been honored as Best Actress in a Feature Film for her role in Solitary by Banana Dream Pictures. Grace has shared her expertise with young talents across East Anglia at renowned venues like Dance East, New Wolsey Theatre, The Garage, and The Mercury Theatre in Colchester. Most recently, she showcased her choreography skills during the audition day for The Wonderful Wizard of OZ at Theatre Royal.

Ready to join the fun? Book your spot at Musical Theatre Masterclass with Grace Wellfare Thursday, 26 October 2023 from 10am

Ready to join the fun? Book your spot at:

<https://theatreroyal.org/shows/musical-theatre-masterclass/>.



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# Community engagement

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## Hang Out – Film and Pizza Night

Date: Friday, 27 October 2023 | Time: 6:30pm

Get ready for our inaugural youth social event, exclusively for those aged 10+! Join us at the theater for a delicious slice of pizza and a refreshing drink before settling into our auditorium for a movie chosen by none other than you!

**The featured film of the night: School of Rock!**

Secure your ticket now by visiting

<https://theatreroyal.org/shows/hang-out-film-pizza-night/>

