



South Lee Prep School & Nursery Newsletter

Michaelmas Term

22 September 2023

Dates for your Diary - September 2023

Tuesday, 26th:	Year 7 Parents' Coffee Morning at 8.30pm U11 Hockey v Fairstead House (H) at 2.30pm
Wednesday, 27th:	U12 Rugby v Orwell Park (A) at 2.30pm U13 Hockey v Orwell Park (H) at 2.30pm
Friday, 29th:	U9 Netball v Orwell Park (A) U9 Hockey v Orwell Park (A)

NOTICES

Individual School Photos

Van Cols will be visiting our school on Wednesday, September 27th, from 8:30am to 10:30am to capture individual pupil photos and family group pictures of South Lee pupils. Additionally, they will begin taking family group photos at 8:00am for our pupils and their siblings who do not usually attend South Lee Prep School & Nursery.

We kindly request that your child arrives at school wearing their standard school uniform. However, please ensure they bring their PE kit with them, as there may be Games or PE lessons/fixtures scheduled for that day.

If you have a child in Nursery who does not typically attend on Wednesdays, you are more than welcome to bring them in between 8:30am and 10:30am for their photo session. When you arrive, please sign in at the office and proceed to the school hall, where a member of our staff will be available to assist you.

Pre Prep After School Care (4:30pm - 5:30pm)

For parents of children in Reception to Year 2 who utilise our after-school care services, kindly ensure you pack a small tea or snack that your child can enjoy during this period. We maintain a nut-free environment in our school, so please refrain from including any nuts or nut-related products in their snacks.

Additionally, don't forget to make arrangements for your child to attend after-school care by contacting the school office and booking their spot in advance. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Puddle suits for Forest School

For children in Reception to Year 3, as the weather is becoming cooler, we kindly request that you provide your child with a waterproof jacket and trouser set in either navy or red. Please make sure to label the set with your child's name for easy identification.

You can find an example of such a set on Amazon via the following link:
<https://amzn.eu/d/andv7TK>

Celebration Assembly Awards



Pupil of the Week

Iris C for writing a brilliant novel over the summer

Head's Awards



Nursery- Swans: Nellie T for an amazing start to Swans **Reception:** Calvin E for always being eager to learn and excited for every challenge | **Year 1:** Luxmi P being a kind friend and an excellent classroom helper | **Year 2:** Mariah B for being more independent and coming into school on her own | **Year 3:** Anna C for always being helpful and supporting the class community | **Year 4:** Pia F for writing a wonderful evacuee letter | **Year 5:** Freddie C for confidence in his creative thinking | **Year 6:** Henry D for working hard with his organisation and helping others | **Year 7:** Edward F for an excellent growth mindset | **Year 8:** Alfie B for maintaining a great growth mindset

Celebration Assembly Awards



Apple Awards (Pre-Prep)



Nursery: Belle A-W for amazing enthusiasm and Arlo S for lovely manners | **Reception:** Daphne B for having a fabulous first week and Lincoln T for being really creative in owls and mice | **Year 1:** Reuben T for his talk for writing and Akira P for her more than and less than work (Maths) | **Year 2:** Elliot C for enthusiastic learning | **Year 3:** Jameson T for Excellent resilience and focus in Art and Thomas W for excellent enquiry based questions

Artist of the Week

Willow W for taking risks in her experimenting



Players of the Week

Rugby
Luke S

Hockey
Willow W



Musician of the Week

Shonagh O'S-J for such enthusiasm in our harvest preparations



Featured articles

Year 7 Parents' Coffee Morning

We are delighted to invite you to our upcoming Year 7 Parents' Coffee Morning, a cherished tradition at South Lee Prep School that fosters connection, community, and conversation.

Date: Tuesday, 26 September 2023

Time: 8:30 am

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.



European
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European Day of Languages

Don't forget, European Languages Day is coming up next Tuesday, and we would love to see your children dressed in outfits that showcase the diversity of Europe. There are some fantastic activities planned for the day that the children will be taking part in!

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We invite you to join us for a delightful slice of cake and help us raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Your generous donations are greatly appreciated!

Date: Friday, 29 September 2023

Time: 8:00 am

Featured articles

The Great Big Green Week

In the upcoming week, we are excited to embark on a journey of celebration and awareness as we dive into "Green Week." It's a time when our children will engage with the environment on a profound level, fostering a deeper connection to the natural world that surrounds us. Through engaging activities and enlightening lessons, they will discover the wonders of ecosystems, learn about biodiversity, and gain a newfound appreciation for the environment's beauty.

Beyond exploration, "Green Week" serves as a powerful reminder of our collective responsibility to protect and preserve the planet. It prompts us all to reflect on the simple yet impactful actions we can take to reduce our ecological footprint, from waste reduction to energy conservation. This week is not just about celebrating; it's a call to action that empowers everyone to become stewards of the environment. Together, we can make a lasting impact by nurturing the beauty of nature for current and future generations.



Harvest Festival (Reception to Year 3)

We extend a warm invitation to parents to join us for our traditional Harvest Festival, a delightful occasion where our children will showcase their talents through songs and poems. We will be serving tea and coffee in the Old Library starting at 8:40 am.

Date: Thursday, 5 October 2023

Time: 9:00am

You are also invited to visit your child's classroom and see some of their wonderful work after the Harvest service.

If you plan to attend, kindly inform the school office in advance so that we can make the necessary arrangements for your participation. Your presence would be greatly appreciated!

Foodbank Donation

Our local foodbank collection drive is currently in progress, and we humbly ask for your support. You can conveniently drop off your donations at the Mayfield Rd entrance of the school. The foodbank is currently in urgent need of the following items: biscuits, baked beans, pasta sauce (in jars), coffee, tinned rice pudding, fish/tuna (canned), soup (both tinned and packet varieties), tinned fruit, sugar, fruit squash drink, tinned tomatoes, cartons of orange juice, tea bags, tinned meat, and tinned vegetables. Your generosity is greatly appreciated in helping those in need in our community.

Follow the PTA on Facebook!

To stay updated on news and events organized by the PTA, please follow this link:

Our Journey in Images



☀️ What a heartwarming moment it was to witness our Pre-Prep pupils sharing a special lunch with their beloved grandparents today! 😊 Their pure joy was absolutely priceless! ✨ #PreciousMoments #SouthLeePrep ❤️



📖 One of our Prep students setting a wonderful example by reading with one of our younger children. 📖 #ReadingBuddies #SouthLeePrep 🧑🏫🧒📖

EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES



TUESDAY 26th SEPTEMBER

Come to school dressed as
something
or someone European!



Visit our French Cafe at breaktime (run
by the Year 7 & 8s



for 'Chocolate Chaud et un croissant'

Enjoy our European Celebration Lunch

Learn some Flamenco
at Lunchtime!

Take part in fun language
activities in your lessons



Embrace the joys and benefits of learning
different languages!

Community engagement

Discover the Beauty of Nowton Court Village's Award-Winning Garden

Nowton Court Village welcomes the local community to experience the beauty of their Bury in Bloom - Silver Award Winning garden on Saturday, 30 September 2023 from 11.00am to 3.00pm.

Nestled within Nowton Court Manor House's stunning grounds, this garden is a serene oasis featuring immaculate flower beds, fragrant herb gardens, and picturesque paths, offering tranquillity to all.

But it's not just a garden tour. The event offers a day of community engagement:

- Raffle: Exciting prizes await in the raffle, generously provided by local businesses.
- Cakes: Satisfy your sweet cravings with homemade treats.
- Bric-a-Brac: Discover hidden treasures among eclectic bric-a-brac stalls.
- Craft Stalls: Support local artisans with unique handmade crafts and gifts.
- Live Music: Enjoy live performances by local talents, including Forever Living and Pale & Fade Clothing.

This event also serves a noble cause. All proceeds will be donated to My Wish charity, the local NHS charity that enhances healthcare services.

Mark your calendar for 30 September 2023 and join us in celebrating nature's beauty, community spirit, and charitable giving at Nowton Court Village.

Your presence makes a difference in the lives of others while creating cherished memories in a picturesque setting. Don't miss it!

