

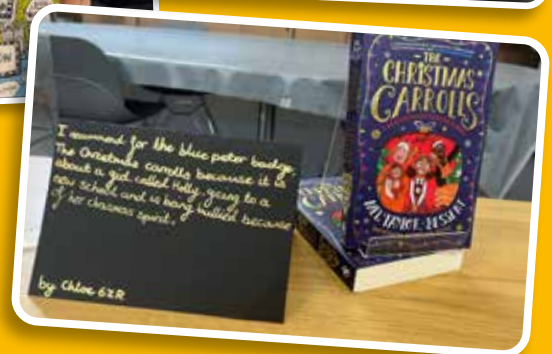
Southdale SPARKLE

'Raving Readers'

At Southdale, we know how important a love of reading is. It has been brilliant to see so many children enjoying the full range of books we have in our library and making recommendations to their friends, and even teachers! It's great that so many children have been taking ownership over their own reading and making the effort to read every night at home. Keep it up Southdale readers!



'The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go!'



Get a Blue Peter badge!

Bury yourself in a book from our library and you can earn yourself a Blue Peter badge! Once you have read your chosen book, you can fill in the form (<https://shorturl.at/hpqC5>), complete with your book review and picture. Your grown up at home can then post it off so you can earn your badge.



THANK YOU!



Thank you so much for all your donations of food and toiletries during the Harvest Festival season. This week, three of our year sixes took them all down to the Resource Food Bank. They learned how the donations would help families in Ossett and even got involved with packing and distributing the food.

YEAR 3

Mapping out Springmill

It has been a wonderful week in Year 3. We all visited Springmill and mentally logged the location of the pond, woodland, paths and football pitches. We also identified the human and physical features of the site. When we returned to school, we turned our mental maps into sketch maps and even added our own key.

In PE this week, we have started our dance unit and have been practising moving in time to the music.



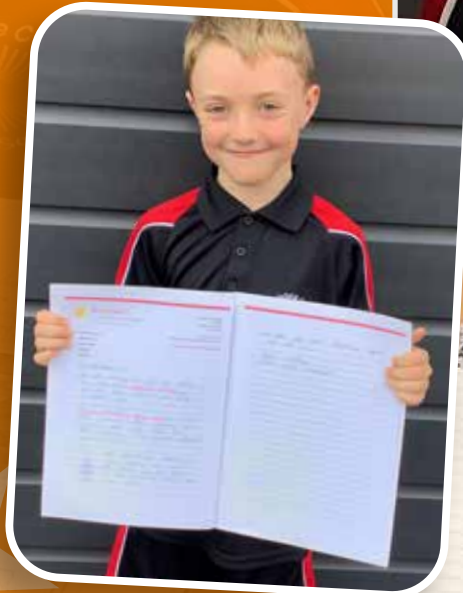
Miss Stott's and Mr Biltcliffe's reading group had the opportunity to perform poetry to the whole school on Thursday. Inspired by the 'Lost Words' poetry book, our Year 3 children mesmerised the audience with their clarity, pace and passion.

YEAR 4

A reply from Netherton!

We were so excited because we sent letters of thanks to Netherton school after they let us use their facilities on our trip to Coxley wood. The deputy headteacher has sent us a reply to say how well we represented our school.

We have continued our research into the river Calder by discovering the source and following its journey to the river Aire using atlases.



In reading, we have been reading and performing the lyrics to 'Singing in the rain' and working on our diction and performance techniques.

YEAR 5

Anglo-Saxon art!

This week, we have continued to work on our helmets. We have 'papier mached' them to create solid structures and we have also begun painting them to make them look like they are made from metal- like real warrior helmets! Next week, we will be adding Pagan and Celtic symbols to our sculptures to complete our Anglo-Saxon helmets. We can't wait to show you our finished pieces.



YEAR 6

A huge well done for your first year 6 assessment week this week!
We are extremely proud of your efforts!

We have moved onto division in maths this week. Before working on our reasoning, we recapped short division with remainders, and then challenged ourselves to convert the remainder to a fraction and a decimal.

This week, we have looked closely at 'What Would Jesus Do' about prayer in our RE session. We looked at components of a prayer and then had a go at writing our own.

In **connections**, we have focused on helpful and unhelpful habits in terms of our mental fitness, and then we moved on to our social fitness. We discussed what makes a healthy, happy family, before reflecting on how unique our own family is.

Dear Lord,

As you have watched over me I am thankful for your kindness and support. I am so glad that you helped me get through my work and be more compassionate and forgiving. So many opportunities to choose from to be kind, you have blessed me.

Please watch over Lyza, Chloe and Evelyn helping them to be who they are-kind. Thank you for your time and presence

Amen. Buana asi juwe.

Dear God,

Thank you for all of my amazing best friends, who make me laugh every day.
Then Please help all those who are destitute at this time of hardship in Europe and please make sure everyone finds refuge.
Please help me to be kind, today, tomorrow and forever, I will do it without a reward.

Buana Asi juwe.
Amen.



THIS WEEK'S HOMEWORK

Year 3

Reading: Please support your child by listening to them read for 20 minutes every day and record their progress in their school planner.

Maths: Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app TT Rock Stars and complete their weekly My Maths homework.

Year 4

Reading: This is so important! Please continue to read with your child at home and ensure that they are reading for at least 20 minutes a day. We can really see the difference this is making for our children who are reading daily! We have plenty of fiction and non-fiction books linked to our narrative.

Maths: Please support your child by encouraging them to practise their times tables using the app TT Rock Stars and complete their weekly My Maths homework.

Spelling pattern this week:
Sure (said 'zure')

Pleasure, Treasure, Enclosure, Leisure,
Closure, Measure

Year 5

Reading: : This is so important! Please continue to read with your child at home and ensure that they are reading for at least 20 minutes a day. We can really see the difference this is making for our children who are reading daily!

Maths: Please complete the questions.
Due back 24.10. 23

Spelling pattern this week: 'able'

Understandable, Breakable, Suitable,
Enjoyable, Adorable, Reliable, Envious,
Miserable

Year 6

Reading: This is so important! Please continue to read with your child at home and ensure that they are reading for at least 20 minutes a day and make a note of how many pages in the planner. We can really see the difference this is making for our children who are reading daily!

Maths: Please complete the multiplication questions in your CGP book on page 13 and page 14. Remember to do your working out! Due back 25.10.2023.

Spelling pattern this week:
We are still looking closely at suffixes, but focusing on doubling the consonants when adding a suffix. Please practise these at home: referred, transferred, forgotten, beginner, admitting, preferred

Knowledge organiser: This week, we are still focusing on volcanoes. Ask your child about what they have learnt.

THIS WEEK'S SPARKLERS

Head teachers Award



**Mabel A
(3FD)**

You are a shining example of the Southdale sparkle! Since joining Southdale, you have given your all to every part of school life and it's a joy to have you as part of the Southdale family.

Special Mentions

3EB	Eleanor C	For always presenting your work beautifully. You take outstanding care in all your work, especially sewing! You have really impressed Mrs Skipworth. Well done.
3FD	George L	For a positive change in your attitude towards learning. Your geography and phonics learning this week has been fabulous George!
3LS	Hannah T	For your enthusiasm and passion for learning. You have worked hard both at school and home and are a superb role model!
4BR	Sienna F	For putting in so much effort and always putting extra care into her learning. You are amazing!
4LD	Olivia J	For trying extra hard in your journey of the river Calder non-chronological report. We will miss you Olivia!
4LH	James H	For showing kindness and being an amazing learning partner.
5AM	Ruby T	Ruby, you ooze the Southdale Sparkle. You are a daily bucket-filler, and the magic inside of you always radiates over each and every one of us in 5AM.
5CW	Maggie EV	For being an exceptional role model. Your hard work and determination to achieve in every lesson is really something to be celebrated.
5EZ	Eliana	For being such a supportive talk partner. You are the definition of the 'Southdale sparkle' because you show so much perseverance, positivity and kindness.
6KW	Alex H	For always being the outstanding role model you are. You are always ready to learn, put in 100% effort and bring a smile to my face every day!
6TH	Owen M	For giving such detailed and scientific explanations during our whole class investigation into shadows. Your understanding was superb and the way you used our key vocabulary showed your understanding. Well done!
6ZR	Violet B	For always being on it! Not only are you thoughtful and willing to give your time to others, you ensure that you show enthusiasm for every aspect of your learning. You really are an inspiration to others.

UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENTS/TRIPS/RESIDENTIALS

Tuesday 24th October 3.00-6:30pm		Parents evenings
Wednesday 25th October 3.00-5:00pm		
Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th November	Y3	Murton Park - Stone Age day
Thursday 30th November		Christmas Fair: 3.00 to 6.00pm
Monday 4th December		Christmas Pantomime.
Thursday 14th December		Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 14th December		Christmas Disco Y3 and Y4: 4.15 to 5.30pm Y5 and Y6: 5.30 to 7.00pm

KEY DATES 2023-24

Autumn Term 2023	
Monday 4 September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 September	School opens
Thursday 26 October	School closes for half term
Friday 27 October	INSET DAY
Monday 6 November	School opens
Thursday 21 December	School closes for the Christmas Holidays
Friday 22 December	INSET DAY
Spring Term 2024	
Monday 8 January	School opens
Thursday 8 February	School closes for half term
Friday 9 February	INSET DAY
Monday 19 February	School opens
Friday 22 March	School closes for Easter Holidays
Summer Term 2024	
Monday 8 April	School opens
Monday 6 May	BANK HOLIDAY
Friday 24 May	School closes for half term
Monday 3 June	School opens
Friday 19 July	School closes for Summer Holidays
Monday 22 July	INSET DAY

SAFEGUARDING TEAM



Mrs K Partington

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs R Mohebi

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs J Woolnough

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs L Helliwell

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mr V Foster

Safeguarding Governor



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C of E Junior school

Shining like stars in the universe