



# Someries Junior School

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## March Monthly Newsletter

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### Head Teacher's Comment

#### Working Together – children, parents and carers.

A great feature of learning at Someries Juniors is the opportunity for children to work with their parents and carers. In surveys, many parents and carers have highlighted how much they enjoy these events and asked for more of them. So far, we have had Maths Week (or Hat Making) and International Week events. In March we shall have marble run workshops which parents and carers can join as part of our Science Week. We look forward to seeing what you can do!

#### Please book ahead for school events

We often ask parents and carers to book a place ahead of events. We use this information to decide which room to use, what resources we will need and how to group the children for the event. Recently, some events were rather cramped as a number of adults turned up without booking, and the room layout could not hold them easily. *When attending an event at school, please help us by booking your place.*

#### International week

Someries Juniors is an English school with a very international community. This was highlighted during International Week where we saw a rich variety of countries and cultures represented in different foods and different clothes. It was lovely to hear children telling their peers about their family traditions and about what is important to them.

#### Parent and Carer Survey 2024

We received a record number of responses to our annual parent survey this year. This feedback is very useful for us and you can read a summary of the responses inside.

#### Friends of Someries Juniors – Movie Night

145 children enjoyed the first event from the newly re-formed *Friends of Someries Juniors*. This group of parents and carers aim to run events for the school community to enjoy and to raise funds to provide extra facilities for the children. Their movie night was a great success and they have more events for this year in the pipeline.

#### Biodiversity – rewilding project

We have received funding from Co-op and the Luton Airport Greener Future fund for this project and have added some of the funds raised at our Golden Fete last year. We have ordered some trees - chosen by our Eco Committee children - and our grounds team have stripped some areas at the back of the field for the children to sow wild flowers. We look forward to seeing this project develop over the next few months.

This Spring 2 half term is a short one but it will be very busy and full of engaging learning experiences for the children – World Book Day, Science Week, Bikeability, class assemblies, Mother's Day sale, Year 4 play, music concerts, field trips and more! We hope they enjoy these events and we thank parents and carers for their support with them.



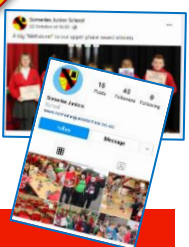
Mr Hunt



See inside for photos of recent events

**Inside:** International Week Parent & Carer Survey Shine Bright, Wear Bright Bread Making Bridge Building Online Safety Church & Gurdwara Visits Rainforest Café Cake Sale Young Voices Movie Night Parent Maths Workshop House Forum 2 Sports Awards Updated Calendar

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# School briefing for parents and carers

Click [here](#) for new lunch menu!

## Starting the school day on time

Please ensure that your child is in their classroom by the start of school at 8:45am. Pupils arriving after 8:45am will be marked as 'Late' in the register. (Pupils arriving after the register closes at 8:55am are marked as 'Absent Late' which counts as an unauthorised absence.)

## Non-Uniform Day - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March

As part of their fundraising, the School Council are holding a **non-uniform day on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**.

In exchange for wearing non-uniform, children are asked to donate any unwanted unused items suitable for an adult female, e.g. an unwanted gift, toiletries, giftsets, perfumes, candles, chocolates, scarves, mugs, soaps, gloves, etc [no alcohol items!]. You are welcome to donate more than one item!

(If your child has a PE lesson, please send their PE kit in a bag or wear sports-themed clothing)

These items will be gift-wrapped and sold at our Mother's Day gift sale taking place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at morning break (in time for Mother's Day on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March).

## World Book Day Thursday 7 March (and author visit day)

### Author visit day - Camilla Chester

We will have a visiting author on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March to present a special assembly and visit classes. Camilla will have books for purchase on 4<sup>th</sup> March after school in the library.



### Dressing up on World Book Day (Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March)

Children are asked to dress up as a character from a book or poem on the 7<sup>th</sup>. There are lots of easy, low-cost ideas at: [www.worldbookday.com/resource/dressing-up-ideas-for-parents/](http://www.worldbookday.com/resource/dressing-up-ideas-for-parents/)

Children in Year 3 should bring their PE kit in a named bag or dress in a sports themed outfit.

## Science Week: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> March - 'Marble Rollercoaster Run'

Parents, carers or other relatives are invited to join their children for a morning of building a marble run on the dates below. Please send in donations of packaging e.g. cardboard, plastic bottles, foil, lids, tubes from kitchen rolls/foil or bubble wrap the week before (no polystyrene).

### Coming up in in this half term (events for parents and carers in blue)

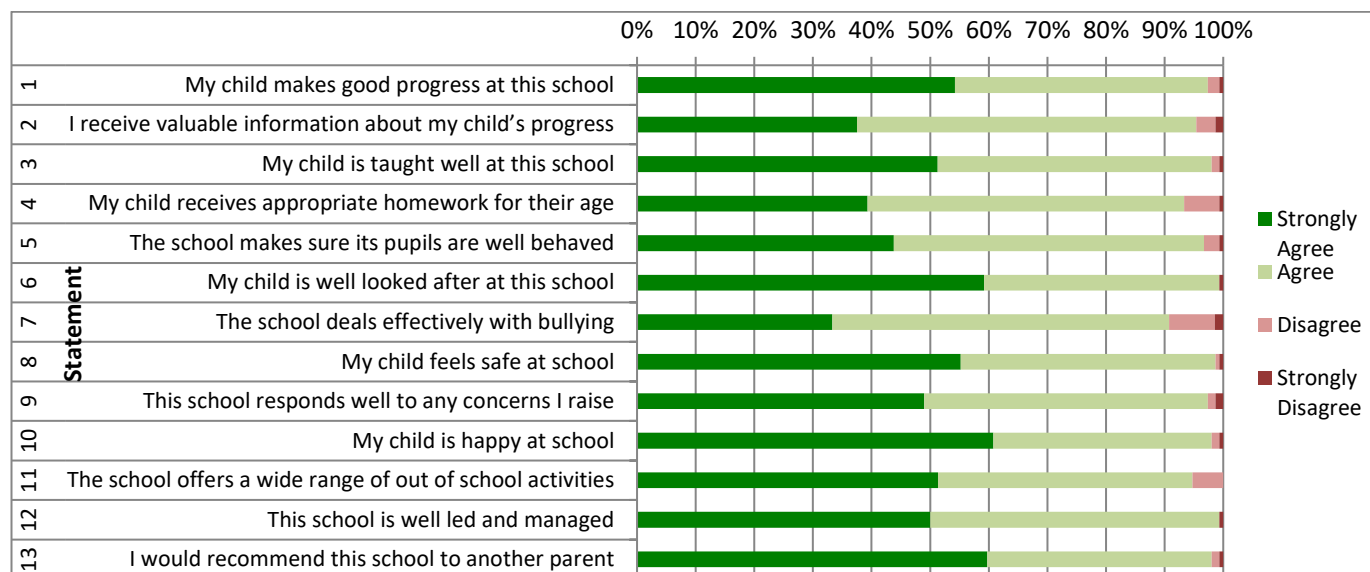
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### Coffee Morning with Mr Finch and Miss Awan - Friday 8 March

The next informal coffee morning with our pastoral team is on Friday 8 March at 9:00am until 11:00am.

## Stakeholder Feedback - Parent and Carer Survey 2024

We completed our survey earlier this year, giving us more time to act on the feedback we receive. We received a record 154 responses. We were pleased to see that the majority of feedback and comments were very positive, even more so than last year. School leaders and governors have read the useful feedback from parents and carers and will be using this to improve the school further.



### Some examples of positive feedback:

"Our daughter has a real sense of belonging. She loves going to school and all the staff who have worked with her. It really feels like the whole child is being nurtured. She has loved all the opportunities and responsibilities she has been given."

"The school demonstrates strengths in fostering a supportive learning environment, providing quality education, and promoting a sense of community among students."

"I'm very pleased with the school all round. I feel confident that my daughter is well taught and looked after. Her learning has improved massively and her teacher is completely invested in her education. There is a large variety of after school clubs and I love the activities the school arrange for parents to join the children with. Parents are kept well up to date with events and notified within plenty of time. I highly recommend Someries Junior school."

"Our son is very happy at school, he loves learning and attending. He seems to be coming on academically and his social skills are being slightly improved. He is clear on the expectations of the school and has a trusted person he can talk to within school. So, thank you very much for everyone's effort and loyalties to the children."

"The school is well organised." "Someries juniors is a lovely school and I'm proud of my child learning here."

"Listens and responds to my concerns and suggestions" "Offers wide variety of clubs after school."

"Thank you to the staff who work tirelessly to get the best outcomes for our children."

"Since starting, our daughter has settled in well. Every member of staff has been lovely and very supportive."

"My child has been well supported with settling into this school. She has been supported extremely well with her speech development. This is beyond my expectations and I am extremely grateful."

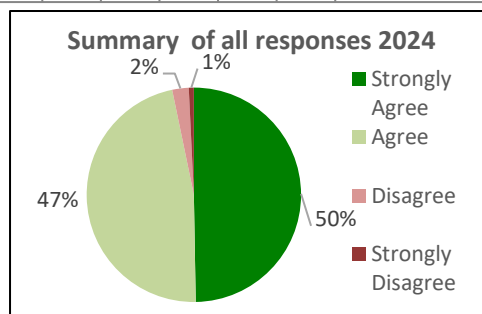
"The school creates a happy, safe environment for the children and all staff are dedicated to the children's learning and wellbeing."

"Empowers the children. Helps them increase confidence." "The communication is very effective."

"The school also excels in recognising and rewarding children with their hard work."

"The opportunities for parents to come into school are fantastic." "Listens to parents' views."

"It's so nice to see how is the school making improvements to do to the buildings and school grounds to give the children more opportunities to have fun, like a stage, etc."





## Areas where the school could do better – and actions that the school is taking

- **Communicate about events sooner:** we aim to communicate with parents about events well in advance through the school calendar which is updated in each newsletter and [available on our website](#). Texts closer to the event are usually reminders rather than new information. However, we will be looking at how we can send letters with details of each event several weeks ahead of the event to provide plenty of notice.
- **Develop a Parent Teacher Association:** we are pleased that some parents are re-forming the Friends of Someries Junior School and will be running some events this year (see the Movie Night in this newsletter).
- **Simplify electronic communications:** we have already planned to move to ParentMail after Easter (when the subscription to our current text/email service expires). We will introduce the system in stages.
- **Add more water fountains outside:** the first of two water fountains (funded by our Golden Fete) has been installed. We await the installation of the second one before the summer.
- **Implement a low funds trigger for dinner funds:** this is something we will investigate when our new payment app is set up
- **Homework:** whilst most parents are happy with the current amount of homework, a number would like more. From summer term we will provide information on extension activities that parents can do with their children if they would like to stretch them further.
- **Toilets:** the condition of the toilets was raised by a few parents. We are currently reviewing the state of these facilities to see how they can be improved.

## Questions raised by parents and carers in the survey

### We would like more clubs (or would like clubs everyday)

We currently offer clubs every day from Monday to Thursday. As we only have one hall, and cannot hold outdoor clubs in winter, we are limited in the number of sports clubs we can offer. Other clubs are limited by the numbers that can safely or effectively take part in the activity. Our current clubs with numbers are:

Day	Monday	Tuesday*	Wednesday	Thurs
Hall	Multisports (Y3/4) – 20	Multisports (Y5/6) – 20	Choir (all) - 50	Gymnastics (varies) - 20
Other	Sewing (Y3/6) – 10 Cooking (Varies) -10	Art & Craft (Y3) – 20 Railway (Y4/5) - 8	Art & Craft (Y4) – 20	Art & Craft (Y5/6) – 20
Capacity	40	48	70	40

\* + Before school dance club at 8am on Tuesdays (all years) - 20

In addition, *Castle Club*, held at the infant school, runs **every day** until 5:30pm for all ages.

### Improve the variety and diversity of reading books

We continue to add new books to our reading scheme every year and have added books from a greater diversity of authors. (If a child finds that a book is torn or damaged, they should inform their teacher.)

### Can my child be chosen for a sports event?

As a school we are known for choosing a wide variety of children to represent the school. We try to maximise the number of children who get to go to such events (half the school have done so this year) but cannot guarantee that all children will do so. This is because there are not quite enough events for everyone to be able to attend and because sometimes events that we enter are cancelled.

### Could you mix classes for different lessons?

In house forums (of which we hope to run four this year), children work with others from outside their class.

### I would like to my child to learn a musical instrument

We have a number of children that have lessons each week on a range of instruments. You can ask the office for more information or contact the Luton Music Service on 01582 548685 or [lutonmusicservice@luton.gov.uk](mailto:lutonmusicservice@luton.gov.uk).

### I would like more direct contact with my child's teacher

At the start of the day, teachers are focussed on settling their 30 children for the day, registering the class and giving instructions. It is not appropriate for them to talk to individual adults at this time. However, you can contact the office to pass on a message or arrange to have a meeting with your child's teacher.

# Highlights from January

## January RE Week

### Year 4 Visit to Guru Nanak Gurdwara

On the second day of the new term, children in Year 4 visited the new gurdwara in town to learn about Sikhism and to see how the gurdwara community serve meals to local people from their community kitchen.



### Year 3 Visit to St Francis Church

On 9<sup>th</sup> January, Year 3 classes visited nearby St Francis' Church as part of their RE studies. They walked there to have a look around the building and to ask Reverend Josias questions about Christian worship.





## Bridge Building Workshop - 10<sup>th</sup> January

In design and technology lessons, Year 6 children had learned about bridge construction. In January, each class had a half-day architecture workshop where they applied their learning by creating structures. Starting with a few sticks and rubber bands each, the children built pyramid structures. They then combined these in teams to create bridge spans. They tested the structures that they made to see how strong they were.



## Year 6 Hazard Alley online safety workshop

Many children in Year 6 have access to smartphones and it can be struggle at that age to navigate the online world safely and appropriately. So, we invited a guest speaker from Hazard Alley, a Safety Education charity, to run an online safety workshop for them.



We have recently been notified of local cases of measles – here is some public health advice regarding measles:

### Important update from the Luton Director of Public Health - Measles

- Measles is highly contagious and can lead to complications which require hospitalisation and, on rare occasions, can lead to long term disability or death.
- Getting your child vaccinated (MMR) is the best protection, and it's not too late to be vaccinated
- Getting your child vaccinated would also stop them from being sent home from school to self-isolate for 3 weeks if there was an outbreak

Measles cases are rising rapidly. In Luton, local vaccine uptake is low; so the risk of infection and passing it on is much higher.

#### Getting vaccinated:

The MMR vaccine is a **free**, safe and effective way of protecting against measles (and mumps & rubella). If your child has not had one or both doses, **they can still be vaccinated now**, and this would protect them from infection.

1. Children and young people can attend local catch-up and community clinics held around Luton.
2. Contact NHS Luton [School immunisation service](#) directly; Tel: 0300 790 0594 or visit their website

**Signs and symptoms** - Anyone with symptoms is advised to stay at home, phoning their GP or NHS 111 for advice.

- High fever
- Aching and feeling generally unwell
- Coughing
- Sore, red, watery eyes
- A blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after initial symptoms





## International Week

In celebration of the many nationalities in our school, we held an International Week on the week of 29<sup>th</sup> January where the children explored different countries and their cultures.

### Assembly and International Dance

International Week began with an assembly from Ese, a commercial lawyer and mother of one of the Someries Junior children. She talked about what it was like to grow up and live in Nigeria and the differences she noticed when she came to England.

During the day, each class had a dance lesson with a Hispanic theme.



### Exploring children's heritage and sharing traditional food - parent and carer events

The children completed a booklet for International Week. For Year 3 this was about themselves and their heritage, and for Year 4-6 this was be about family time, food and celebrations. At the events, children shared their booklet with their class, many of them joined by family members.



After the children shared their booklets, they enjoyed eating the samples of traditional food that they had brought to share.





## Diversity Day - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

The week ended with Diversity Day, where children and staff wore the colours or clothes of 42 different countries and regions that they have family links to.



**Pupil feedback:** My school is the best in this world. In this school you will get to do lots of things. This week was exciting because it was International Week, it was amazing week in my life. We got to present our book Proud to be Me, we got to tell about our religion... I love this school. This school is the best school in my life and the teachers are so kind and helpful. *Jazzlyn 3L*

During International week my favourite day was Friday because everybody was coming in their traditional clothing. I liked it because everybody wore light and vivid colours. My parents are from Slovakia and Albania, Although I was born in England. I can speak a little bit of Slovak!

*Christopher 3 Draco*



International week was so fun! I enjoyed all of the different types of food. It was also interesting to hear about everyone's cultures. We also learnt an Indian dance. It was great!

Some people wore some special clothing too. Everybody also had lovely jumpers and outfits on diversity day to represent their cultures and countries. My favourite part was tasting a pomegranate fruit roll. It was absolutely delicious!

*Macy year 3*





# Highlights from February



## Fundraising

### Year 3 cake sale for Little Princess Trust

Eliza in Year 3 is having around 13 inches of her cut off for Charity. The Little Princess Trust provides real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or to other conditions such as Alopecia.

Eliza and her friends organised a cake sale which raised £70 to donate to the charity. Another girl in Year 3 donated the money that she had saved during her regular fasts bringing the total to £136.



### Year 4 Rainforest Café

As part of the children's DT project, they designed and made food items to sell at a café event on 15<sup>th</sup> February for their families. The food had a Brazilian theme - rissoles and empanadas - and the children will choose a Brazilian charity to donate their profits to. Thank you to all the customers who attended the event and to Mr Robinson and the Year 4 team for leading the event.

## Baking



## Selling





## Friends of Someries Juniors Movie Night

In January, a group of volunteers, re-launched the *Friends of Someries Juniors* - a group of parents and carers working together to create community activities and raise funds for the school.

For their first event, they put on a Movie Night, screening *The Super Mario Bros. Movie* on Friday 9th February. There was a lower school showing and a later upper school showing. 145 children attended the event and seemed to have a good time, enjoying a relaxed event with friends.



We would like to thank the Friends team and their volunteers for putting on this event for the children and running it so well. We look forward to their future events!

## Parent and Carer Maths Workshop - 12<sup>th</sup> February


The way that Maths is taught has changed since parents and carers were in school and so, to help them know how to support their children's maths, we held a Maths Workshop in school. Mrs Barton ran this session in the hall and explained how the children learn maths and the resources we use. The parents and carers completed some activities with their children to get some first hand experience of using these resources. (The children were quite impressed with their parents' skills!)







## House Forum 2 - 13<sup>th</sup> February

At the end of last half term, we held our second house forum of the year. In a house forum, children work with others from their house, rather than their usual class. Years 5 and 6 work together as do Years 3 and 4. 

This forum was designed to develop the children's oracy - their speaking and listening skills. This forum was different from others because the lower school forums were planned and presented by Year 6 volunteers.



Venus House



Saturn House



Mars House



Jupiter House





## Year 5 Bread Making - 5<sup>th</sup> February

Chef Tiago Rodriques from our caterers Aspens led each of the Year 5 classes in a bread-making workshop in our hall. He helped the children mix the dough from their ingredients and to create rolls that would be baked for them to take home. For each class, a Top Baker was chosen and celebrated.



## Mental Health Week - Shine Bright, Wear Bright - 16<sup>th</sup> February

We joined in Children's Mental Health Week with a special assembly and mental health lessons. We ended the week with Shine Bright, Wear Bright day in aid of CHUMS, a charity that has helped some of our children..





## Sport

As the coldest half term of the year, there were fewer sports events in Spring 1 than in other terms.

### Girls Football

Our team took part in two tournaments. There was no camera to catch them in action but we have their reports.

#### Local competition - 9<sup>th</sup> January

The team played another round of games for their local league.

**Event report:** On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January, the girls football team went to QES High School to play a football tournament. We played four games. The first match we played Stopsley and the score was 1:0. The second match we played River Bank and won 2:0, the girls played very well. The next match we played Waulud, they were very tough and the score was 2:0 to Waulud. The last match we played Bushmead, the score was 5:0 to Someries. The girls played very well. *Lily and Alexandra*

The team currently sit in 3<sup>rd</sup> position in their league group. To find out their final position, and if they have qualified for the town finals, they are waiting for some other schools to finish their games.

#### English Schools' Football Association competition - 25<sup>th</sup> January

The girls took part in a local tournament as part of this national competition. This time, they were up against tough opposition from the wider Bedfordshire area.

**Event report:** We went to a football tournament and we played many games. It was really hard. We played against Henlow 4 vs 0 Someries, Scott 4 vs 0 Someries, Surrey Street 0 vs 3 Someries, Someries 0 vs 6 Hillborough, Wenlock 0 vs 1 Someries, Tennyson Road 2 vs 1 Someries. We all did really well - it was really tough. But we tried our best and we didn't give up. Even though we lost most of them, what we enjoyed most is to have fun. *Miley*

### Year 3 & 4 Spring Multisports

A team of boys and girls from Years 3 and 4 took part in this event at Inspire, which involved archery, balloon football, badminton skills and table tennis.





## Performances

### 5 Perseus Class Assembly - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Directed by their teacher Mrs Belizaire, 5 Perseus put on a great assembly for the school and for their parents and carers. They taught us about their learning (in Spanish, History and Science) and demonstrated their talents in dance, gym, music and singing.



### Young Voices Concert - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

37 of our children joined a choir of 5,946 at Wembley Arena for this spectacular event. Although it is great fun for the children, it is also hard work. After enjoying their packed lunch below Wembley Stadium, the children took their seats in the arena and spent three hours in rehearsals with the musicians, singers and dancers. They then had to wait there for two hours for the concert to begin.



The concert itself was amazing. The children impressed us with their focus and performance. We are grateful for the support of staff and volunteers that enabled the children to take part.





# Spring 1 Awards

## Values Role Models



Value	9 January	16 January	23 January	6 Feb
Aspiration	Jake E 6A	Kassandra 3D Sienna C 5P	Ryan 4A	Ayaan 4O, Zahra 6A, Miley 6P
Cooperation	Leo & Joseph 6P		Tia 3L	Nawaf 5H
Kindness	Jazzlyn 3L William 3D	Sehaj 6P	Freya 3L Tiana & Sofia 5P	Harley 3D, Spencer 4A Aoibheann 5H, Jahnai 5P
Respect			Johnson 5P	Elia & Macy 3L
Responsibility		Cerys 5P	Jake 4A, Louie 6P	Annya 3D, Jacob 4A

## Golden Table Winners

Congratulations to our Golden Table winners! A selection are pictured below.



## Athletes of the Half Term - Spring 1

### Year 3

**Anika** - For showing excellent effort and attitude in her PE lessons with Miss Perini.

**Jazayah** - Nominated by Mrs Cresswell-Bayliss for excellent effort in all of her lessons. Well done Jazayah!

### Year 4 + Year 5

**Sofia & Amelia** - **Cayci & Sienna** -

All nominated by Mr Freeman for excellent effort, attitude and skill in their gymnastics lessons.



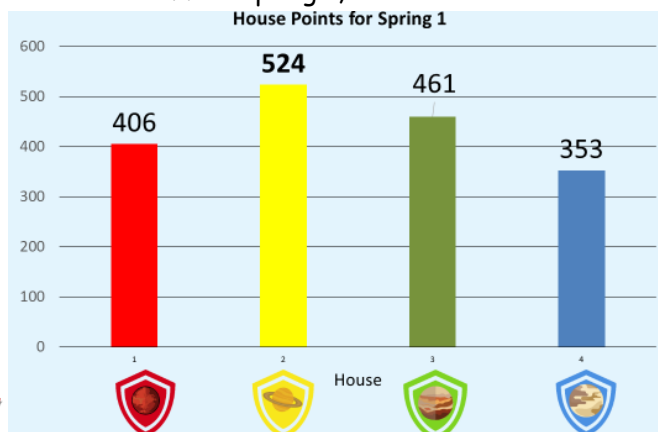
### Year 6

**Rio** - Rio is extremely helpful in our PE lessons and is always happy to help his teacher or others. He has shown great skill and application in lessons this term.

**Sehaj** - Sehaj has shown excellent leadership, responsibility and resilience in PE lessons this term. She always offers to help set out or collect equipment and is a fantastic role model to the rest of the class.

## House Point Competition

We have had a different winner each half term. Venus took the lead in Autumn 1; then, in Autumn 2, Jupiter were winners. For Spring 1, it is Saturn who have their flag flying and their colours on the trophy.



## Somerles Junior School - Updated Calendar of Events 2023-24



Events which parents and carers may attend are in blue. If you have any questions regarding an event then please contact our school office.

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Please note that there are further events to be added as these are arranged. Please look out for the updated Calendar in each month's newsletter. You can view the school calendar at our [calendar webpage](#)

\*Changes are highlighted in red\* w/c = week commencing

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<b>29 March – 12 April</b>	
<b>Easter holiday</b>	
<b>April</b>	
Mon 15 April	Term begins
w/c 15 April	RE week
Tue 23 April	St Georges Day – scouts/brownies/brigade etc. uniforms may be worn
<b>May</b>	
Wed 1 May	3 Lyra class assembly 9:00am – 3L parents and carers invited
<b>Mon 6 May</b>	
<b>Bank holiday – school closed</b>	
w/c 13 May	SATS week – no appointments or leave of absence for Year 6
13 May	Year 3 fruit workshop (morning) - children to bring a named plastic container
Tue 14 May	Year 3 Fairtrade day
Fri 17 May	Parent coffee morning (9:00am) - parents and carers invited
Wed 22 & Thu 23 May	Year 4 Raiders and Traders days
Thu 23 May	Year 5 RAF Hendon trip (cost to be advised) [Provisional date]
<b>27 – 31 May</b>	
<b>Half term (school restarts on Tuesday 4 June)</b>	
<b>June</b>	
<b>3 June</b>	
<b>Training Day – school closed to pupils</b>	
Tue 4 June	Term begins
w/c 4 June	RE week
w/c 4 June	Online sale of second-hand uniform - order form will be sent to order online (subject to availability)
Thur 6 June	Non-uniform day in exchange for donation of gifts suitable for adult male
Thur 13 June	Sale of wrapped gifts suitable for Fathers' Day - £2 (in named envelope)
Wed 19 June	Uniform supplier on site to sell uniform (2:00-3:20pm)
Wed 19 June	New Year 3 intake information meeting after school
Fri 21 June	Year 3 trip to St Albans
Wed 26 Jun	Year 3 field work



Fri 28 June	Years 3-6 reports go home
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Fri 28 June <i>*New Date*</i>	Choir taking part in Singing Spectacular at Stopsley Baptist Church (children from 2:00pm; family & friends invited to the concert at 6:00pm)
<b>July</b>	
Mon 1 July	Parent book looks (a chance to see your child's work) – 3:30pm-4:00pm - parents and carers invited
Wed 3 July	Year 6 leavers performance (Children arrive 6.00pm for a 6:30pm performance) - parents and carers invited
Thu 4 July	Move up morning (Infants to Y3; Y3, Y4, Y5 to their new classes; Y6 to high school)
Fri 5 July	Year 4 afternoon music performance – parents and carers invited (2:40pm)
	Year 6 SATS results go home (date to be confirmed)
w/c Mon 8 July	Sports week including daily mile
Thu 11 July	Year 3 music performance (2:40pm) - parents and carers invited
Thu 11 July	Disco: 5:00 - 6:15pm Year 3-5 disco & 7:00-8:30pm Year 6 disco
Fri 12 July	Sports day – parents and carers invited. Provisional timing: 1:00pm-3:00pm
Fri 12 July	Family Rounders after school - parents and carers invited
(Mon 15 July)	(Reserve sports day)
w/c 15 July	End of year park trips (costs and details to be confirmed)
Tues 16 July	Year 6 music performance (2:40pm) - parents and carers invited
Weds 17 July	Year 5 music performance (2:40pm) - parents and carers invited
Fri 19 July	School closes at 1:30pm

## Term dates

### **This year: Term Dates for 2023-24**

Please plan any trips or holidays to take place during school holidays, as we are not able to authorise leave during term time.

	<b>Spring Term 2024</b>	<b>Summer Term 2024</b>
	<b>Start of Term:</b> Thursday 4 January	<b>Start of Term:</b> Monday 15 April
	<b>Half Term Holiday:</b> 19 to 23 February	<b>May Day Bank Holiday:</b> Monday 6 May
	<b>End of Term:</b> Thursday 28 March	<b>Half Term Holiday:</b> 27 to 31 May
		<b>Training day</b> school closed: Mon 3 June
		<b>End of Term:</b> Friday 19 July*
		*Summer terms end at 1:30pm

### **Next year: Term Dates for 2024-25**

<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	<b>Summer Term 2025</b>
<b>Start of Term:</b> Wednesday 4 September	<b>Start of Term:</b> Tuesday 7 January	<b>Start of Term:</b> Wednesday 23 April
<b>Half Term Holiday:</b> 28 October – 1 November	<b>Half Term Holiday:</b> 17 to 21 February	<b>May Day Bank Holiday:</b> Monday 5 May
<b>End of Term:</b> Friday 20 December*	<b>End of Term:</b> Friday 4 April*	<b>Half Term Holiday:</b> 26 to 30 May
		<b>Training day</b> school closed: Mon 2 June
		<b>End of Term:</b> Tuesday 22 July

\*Term ends on this date at 1:30pm